

## STATE HOUSING FINANCE AGENCIES (17)—Continued

## Santa Ana (SHFA—COMP)

IDAHO HOUSING AND FINANCE ASSOCIATION, 565 West Myrtle, P.O. Box 7899, Boise, ID 83702 Grant Type: Comprehensive. Amount Awarded: \$135,968.28.	WASHINGTON STATE HOUSING FINANCE COMMISSION, 1000 2nd Avenue, Suite 2700, Seattle, WA 98104-1046 Grant Type: Comprehensive. Amount Awarded: \$164,624.38.
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## HECM (2) INTERMEDIARY (HECM)

MONEY MANAGEMENT INTERNATIONAL INC., 9009 West Loop South, Suite 700, Houston, TX 77096-1719 Grant Type: HECM. Amount Awarded: \$1,135,000.00.	NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR CREDIT COUNSELING, INC., 801 Roeder Road, Suite 900, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3372 Grant Type: HECM. Amount Awarded: \$1,865,000.00.
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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5141-N-05]

### Conference Call Meeting of the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of upcoming meeting via conference call.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming meeting of the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee (the Committee) to be held via telephone conference. This meeting is open to the general public, which may participate by following the instructions below.

**DATES:** The conference call meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 9, 2008, from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. eastern daylight time.

**ADDRESSES:** Information concerning the conference call can be obtained from the Department's Consensus Committee Administering Organization, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). Interested parties can link onto the NFPA's Web site for instructions concerning how to participate, and for contact information for the conference call, in the section marked "Business" "Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee Information". The link can be found at: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/sfh/mhs/mhshome.cfm>.

Alternately, interested parties may contact Jill McGovern of NFPA at (617) 984-7404 (this is not a toll-free number) for conference call information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William W. Matchneer III, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of

Regulatory Affairs and Manufactured Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-6409 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons who have difficulty hearing or speaking may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice of this meeting is provided in accordance with sections 10(a) and (b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2) and 41 CFR 102-3.150. The Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee was established under section 604(a)(3) of the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 5403(a)(3). The Committee is charged with providing recommendations to the Secretary to adopt, revise, and interpret manufactured home construction and safety standards and procedural and enforcement regulations, and with developing and recommending proposed model installation standards to the Secretary.

The purpose of this conference call meeting is for the Committee to review and provide comments to the Secretary on a draft proposed rule for the On-Site Completion of Construction of Manufactured Homes.

#### Tentative Agenda

- A. Roll call.
- B. Welcome and opening remarks.
- C. Update on rules and appointment status.
- D. Full Committee meeting for discussion of the On-Site Completion of Construction of Manufactured Homes Draft Proposed Rule.
- E. Adjournment.

Dated: March 19, 2008.

**Frank L. Davis,**

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R8-ES-2008-N0042; 80221-1112-0000-F2]

### Tehachapi Uplands Multi-species Habitat Conservation Plan

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), we, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), advise the public of our intent to gather information necessary to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the Tehachapi Uplands Multi-species Habitat Conservation Plan (MSHCP). Tejon Ranch is preparing the MSHCP to apply for a 50-year incidental take permit under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Federal Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (Act). The permit is needed to authorize the incidental take of threatened and endangered species that could occur as a result of activities covered by the plan.

The Service provides this notice to (1) describe the proposed action and possible alternatives; (2) advise other Federal and State agencies, affected Tribes, and the public of our intent to prepare an EIS; (3) announce the initiation of a public scoping period; and (4) obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to be included in the EIS. A similar Notice of Intent was published on June 25, 2004 (69 FR 35663) when this project was called the Tejon Condor Habitat

Conservation Plan. Because the project has been broadened to include additional species, this second Notice of Intent is being published to gather additional information.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before April 25, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments submitted to Mary Grim, Section 10 Program Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2800 Cottage Way, W-2605, Sacramento, CA 95825. Comments may also be sent by e-mail to: [tu\\_hcp\\_eis@fws.gov](mailto:tu_hcp_eis@fws.gov). Comments previously received during the initial public scoping period will also be considered.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary Grim, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, at 916-414-6464.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

##### Background

Section 9 of the Act and Federal regulations prohibit the "take" of wildlife species listed as endangered or threatened (16 U.S.C. 1538). The Act defines the term "take" as: to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect listed species, or to attempt to engage in such conduct (16 U.S.C. 1532). Harm includes significant habitat modification or degradation that actually kills or injures listed wildlife by significantly impairing essential behavioral patterns, including breeding, feeding, and sheltering [50 CFR 17.3(c)]. Pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Act, the Service may issue permits to authorize "incidental take" of listed species. "Incidental Take" is defined by the Act as take that is incidental to, and not the purpose of, carrying out an otherwise lawful activity. Regulations governing permits for threatened species and endangered species, respectively, are at 50 CFR 17.32 and 50 CFR 17.22. All species included on an incidental take permit would receive assurances under the Service's "No Surprises" regulation [50 CFR 17.22(b)(5) and 17.32(b)(5)].

Species proposed for coverage in the HCP are species that are currently listed as federally threatened or endangered or have the potential to become listed during the life of this MSHCP and have some likelihood to occur within the project area. Should any of the unlisted covered wildlife species become listed under the Act during the term of the permit, take authorization for those species would become effective upon listing. Six plant species and 28 animal species are known to occur within the area and would be covered by the MSHCP. Species may be added to or deleted from the list of proposed

covered species during the course of the development of the MSHCP based on further analysis, new information, agency consultation, and public comment. Currently, the MSHCP would include the following federally listed animal species: California condor (*Gymnogyps californianus*), least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*), southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), Valley elderberry longhorn beetle (*Democerus californicus dimorphus*), and Western yellow-billed cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus occidentalis*). The MSHCP would also include the following State listed and unlisted species: Tehachapi slender salamander (*Batrachoseps stebbinsi*), bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*), American peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus anatum*), little willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii brewsteri*), golden eagle (*Aquila chrysaetos*), white-tailed kite (*Elanus leucorux*), ringtail (*Bassariscus astutus*), tricolored blackbird (*Agelaius tricolor*), California spotted owl (*Strix occidentalis occidentalis*), Tehachapi pocket mouse (*Perognathus alticola inexpectatus*), burrowing owl (*Athene cunicularia*), yellow-blotched salamander (*Ensatina eschscholtzi croceator*), western spadefoot (*Spea hammondi*), purple martin (*Progne subis*), northern goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis*), coast horned lizard (frontale and blainvilli populations) (*Phrynosoma coronatum*), Cooper's hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*), yellow-breasted chat (*Icteria virens*), prairie falcon (*Falco mexicanus*), northern harrier (*Circus cyaneus*), long-eared owl (*Asio otus*), two-striped garter snake (*Thamnophis hammondi*), round-leaved filaree (*Erodium macrophyllum*), Fort Tejon woolly sunflower (*Eriophyllum lanatum* var. *hallii*), Kusche's sandwort (*Amenaria macradenia* var. *kuschei*), Tehachapi buckwheat (*Eriogonum callistum*), American badger (*Taxidea taxus*), striped adobe lily (*Fritillaria striata*), and Tejon poppy (*Eschscholzia lemmonii* ssp. *Kernensis*).

Activities proposed to be covered by the MSHCP include limited private development; livestock grazing and range management; film production; maintenance and construction of underground utilities; recreation with the exception of hunting; existing commercial and residential improvements; farming and irrigation systems; repair, maintenance, and use of roads; and existing mineral extraction facilities. The MSHCP will propose a conservation strategy to minimize and mitigate to the maximum extent possible any impacts that would occur

to covered species as the result of the covered activities.

#### Environmental Impact Statement

The EIS will consider the proposed action (i.e., the issuance of a section 10(a)(1)(B) permit under the Act), no action (no section 10 permit), and a reasonable range of alternatives. A detailed description of the proposed action and alternatives will be included in the EIS. The EIS will also identify potentially significant impacts on biological resources, land use, air quality, water resources, transportation, and other environmental resource issues that could occur directly or indirectly with implementation of the proposed action and alternatives. Different strategies for avoiding, minimizing, and mitigating the impacts of incidental take may also be considered.

Environmental review of the EIS will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), its implementing regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), other applicable regulations, and Service procedures for compliance with those regulations. This notice is being furnished in accordance with 40 CFR Section 1501.7 and 1508.22 to obtain suggestions and information from other agencies and the public on the scope of issues and alternatives to be addressed in the EIS. The primary purpose of the scoping process is to identify important issues raised by the public related to the proposed action. Written comments from interested parties are invited to ensure that the full range of issues related to the permit application is identified. Comments will only be accepted in written form. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

#### Ken McDermond,

Deputy Regional Director, California Nevada Region, Sacramento, California.

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