

January through June and July through December of each year. Section 221(g)(4) is implemented in the HUD regulations at 24 CFR 221.255 and 24 CFR 221.790.

The Secretary of the Treasury has determined that the interest rate to be borne by debentures issued pursuant to section 221(g)(4) during the 6-month period beginning July 1, 2008, is 3 $\frac{7}{8}$  percent.

The subject matter of this notice falls within the categorical exemption from HUD's environmental clearance procedures set forth in 24 CFR 50.19(c)(6). For that reason, no environmental finding has been prepared for this notice.

**Authority:** Sections 211, 221, 224, National Housing Act, 12 U.S.C. 1715b, 1715l, 1715o; Section 7(d), Department of HUD Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d).

Dated: July 25, 2008.

**Brian D. Montgomery,**

*Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission

##### Notice of Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 552b of Title 5, United States Code, that a meeting of the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission will be held on Thursday, September 18, 2008.

The Commission was established pursuant to Pub. L. 99-647. The purpose of the Commission is to assist federal, state and local authorities in the development and implementation of an integrated resource management plan for those lands and waters within the Corridor.

The meeting will convene on September 18, 2008 at 9 a.m. at Banneker Industries, located at 582 Great Road, North Smithfield, RI for the following reasons:

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Chairman's Report
3. Executive Director's Report
4. Financial Budget
5. Public Input

It is anticipated that about thirty people will be able to attend the session in addition to the Commission members.

Interested persons may make oral or written presentations to the Commission

or file written statements. Such requests should be made prior to the meeting to: Jan H. Reitsma, Executive Director, John H. Chafee, Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission, One Depot Square, Woonsocket, RI 02895, Tel.: (401) 762-0250.

Further information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Jan H. Reitsma, Executive Director of the Commission at the aforementioned address.

**Jan H. Reitsma,**

*Executive Director, BRVNHCC.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Reestablishment of the Lake Champlain Sea Lamprey Control Alternatives Workgroup

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Reestablishment.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of the Interior (Secretary), after consultation with the General Services Administration, has reestablished the Lake Champlain Sea Lamprey Control Alternatives Workgroup (Workgroup) for 2 years. The Workgroup provides an opportunity for stakeholders to give policy and technical input on efforts to develop and implement sea lamprey control techniques alternative to lampricides in Lake Champlain.

**DATES:** The Council's charter will be filed under the Federal Advisory Committee Act August 19, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dave Tilton, Fish and Wildlife Service, Lake Champlain Fish and Wildlife Resources Complex, 11 Lincoln Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452, 802-872-0629, extension 12.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Workgroup conducts its operations in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix). It reports to the Secretary through the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) and Lake Champlain Fish and Wildlife Management Cooperative (Cooperative) and functions solely as an advisory body. The Workgroup provides recommendations and advice to the Cooperative. Specific responsibilities of the Workgroup are to provide recommendations on: (1) Feasible and appropriate sea lamprey management methods alternative to lampricides; (2) funding priorities for research and/or demonstration projects;

(3) facilitating coordinated research between Lake Champlain and the Great Lakes; and (4) development of requests for proposals, project proposals, and research efforts affecting the Lake Champlain Basin.

The Workgroup consists of up to 20 members representing Federal and State agencies and stakeholders. In addition, up to five of the members may be special Government employees, selected for their scientific expertise. All members are knowledgeable about Lake Champlain fishery management issues, including sea lamprey control.

The Certification for reestablishment is published below.

### Certification

I hereby certify that the Lake Champlain Sea Lamprey Control Alternatives Workgroup (Workgroup) is necessary and is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior through the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for a Long-term Program of Sea Lamprey Control in Lake Champlain as published in 2001 (66 FR 46651, September 6, 2001).

Dated: July 24, 2008.

**Dirk Kempthorne,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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#### Draft Revised Recovery Plan for Mojave Population of the Desert Tortoise (*Gopherus agassizii*)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability for review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** We, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a draft revised recovery plan for the Mojave population of the desert tortoise for public review and comment.

**DATES:** We must receive any comments on the draft recovery plan on or before November 3, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** The draft recovery plan and reference materials are available for inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the following location: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office, 1340