

California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-190303

Applicant: Daniel Shaw, Sacramento, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey, capture, handle, and release) the California tiger salamander (*Ambystoma californiense*) in conjunction with surveys within California State Park lands in Santa Barbara and Sonoma Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-095858

Applicant: Arianne B. Preite, Anaheim, California

The applicant requests an amendment to take (harass by survey, and locate/monitor nests) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in conjunction with surveys and monitoring activities in Orange, Los Angeles, San Diego, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-191704

Applicant: Dana E. Terry, Walnut Creek, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey, capture, handle, and release) the California tiger salamander (*Ambystoma californiense*), and take (capture, collect, and kill) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), the longhorn fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta longiantenna*), the Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus wootoni*), the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*), and the vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of each species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-170389

Applicant: Travis B. Cooper, San Juan Capistrano, California

The applicant requests an amendment to take (survey by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-192714

Applicant: Southern California Coastal Water Research Group, Costa Mesa, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture and release) the tidewater goby (*Eucyclogobius newberryi*) and take (harass) the light-footed clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris levipes*), and

California least tern (*Sterna antillarum browni*) in conjunction with coastal wetland research in Santa Barbara, Ventura, Los Angeles, Orange, and San Diego Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-192708

Applicant: Sarah M. Farmer, San Diego, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-192702

Applicant: Jamie M. Kneitel, Sacramento, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, collect, and kill) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), the longhorn fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta longiantenna*), and the vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of each species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

We solicit public review and comment on each of these recovery permit applications. Comments and materials we receive will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

Dated: September 9, 2008.

Mary Grim,

Acting Regional Director, Region 8, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Lake Champlain Sea Lamprey Control Alternatives Workgroup

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce a meeting of the Lake Champlain Sea Lamprey Control Alternatives Workgroup (Workgroup). The Workgroup's purpose is to provide, in an advisory capacity, recommendations and advice on research and implementation of sea lamprey control

techniques alternative to lampricide that are technically feasible, cost effective, and environmentally safe. The primary objective of the meeting will be to discuss potential research initiatives that may enhance alternative sea lamprey control techniques. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The Workgroup will meet on Friday, October 10, 2008, from 1 to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the City of Burlington Main Wastewater Plant, Large Conference Room, 53 Lavalley Lane, Burlington, VT 05401; telephone 802-863-4501.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dave Tilton, Designated Federal Officer, Lake Champlain Sea Lamprey Control Alternatives Workgroup, Lake Champlain Fish and Wildlife Resources Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 11 Lincoln Street, Essex Junction, VT 05452 (U.S. mail); 802-872-0629 (telephone); or Dave_Tilton@fws.gov (electronic mail).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We publish this notice under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.). The Workgroup's specific responsibilities are to provide advice regarding the implementation of sea lamprey control methods alternative to lampricides, to recommend priorities for research to be conducted by cooperating organizations and demonstration projects to be developed and funded by State and Federal agencies, and to assist Federal and State agencies with the coordination of alternative sea lamprey control research to advance the state of the science in Lake Champlain and the Great Lakes.

Dated: August 26, 2008.

Wendi Weber,

Acting Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hadley, Massachusetts 01305.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of new information collection.

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that

we will submit to OMB a new information collection request (ICR) for review and approval. This notice provides the public an opportunity to comment on the paperwork requirements for the National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program (NGGDPP) under Section 351 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. To submit a proposal to the NGGDPP, a project narrative must be completed and submitted via Grants.gov. Furthermore, a final technical report for all projects is required at the end of the project period. Narrative and report guidance is available through <http://datapreservation.usgs.gov/> and at <http://www.Grants.gov>.

DATES: Submit written comments by November 14, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of Interior via e-mail [OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov]; or fax (202) 395-6566; and identify your submission as 1028-NEW. Please also submit a copy of your comments to Phadrea Ponds, U.S.G.S. Information Collections Clearance Officer, 2150-C Center Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail); (970) 226-9230 (fax); or pponds@usgs.gov (e-mail). Please reference "Information Collection 1028-NEW, NGGDPP" in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tamara L. Dickinson at (703) 648-6603 or Frances W. Pierce at (703) 648-6636.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program (NGGDPP).

OMB Control Number: 1028-NEW.

Abstract: Section 351 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 directs the Secretary of the Interior, through the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey, as follows, "The Secretary shall carry out a National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program in accordance with this section—

(1) To archive geologic, geophysical, and engineering data, maps, well logs, and samples;

(2) To provide a national catalog of such archival material; and

(3) To provide technical and financial assistance related to the archival material."

The Plan outlines program goals and recommends implementation strategies. An action item in the plan is to "begin interactions with State geological surveys and other DOI agencies that maintain geological and geophysical data and samples to address their

preservation and data rescue needs." In response, the USGS is requesting each state that elects to participate in the program to:

(1) Inventory their current collections and data preservation needs to provide a snapshot of the diversity of scientific collections held, supported, or used by state geological surveys. This inventory of current collections will form the foundation of the National Catalog;

(2) Build the National Catalog by providing site-specific metadata for items in inventoried collections. Focus on site-specific sample data allows broad national coverage with content useful to a wide variety of users. The types of sites cataloged will be determined by the holdings of participating States; and

(3) In FY 2010 and beyond, depending on appropriations, states would be invited to propose projects that address other priorities identified in the Implementation Plan for the National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program, including: (a) Digital infrastructure; (b) Outreach; and (c) Special data rescue needs.

Furthermore, annual data preservation priorities are provided in the Program Announcement as guidance for applicants to consider when submitting proposals. Annual priorities are determined by the USGS NGGDPP Catalog and Financial and Technical Assistance Committees comprising representatives from state geological surveys, industry, academia, and DOI. Since its inception in 2007, NGGDPP has awarded, and 35 states have matched, over \$610,000 in grant funds. This notice concerns the collection of information that is sufficient and relevant to evaluate and select proposals for funding. We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and implementing regulations (43 CFR Part 2), and under regulations at 30 CFR 250.197, "Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection." Responses are voluntary. No questions of a "sensitive" nature are asked. We intend to release the project abstracts and primary investigators for awarded/funded projects only.

Frequency: Annually.

Estimated Annual Number and Description of Respondents:

Approximately 49 State Geological Surveys will have the opportunity to apply for matching Federal funds.

Respondent Obligation: Voluntary (necessary to receive benefits).

Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses: 34.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 1,224 hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: We estimate the public reporting burden averages 36 hours per response. This includes time (1) to write and review the proposal and submit it through Grants.gov, and (2) prepare and submit the final technical report.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost": We have not identified any "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

Comments: Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) requires each agency " * * * to provide notice * * * and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information * * * " Agencies must specifically solicit comments. We invite comments concerning this information collection on:

(1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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 can ask OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer: Phadrea D. Ponds, 970-226-9445.

Dated: September 8, 2008.

Victor Labson,

Acting Associate Director for Geology.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of an extension of an information collection (1028-0048).

SUMMARY: To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we will submit to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements for "USGS Earthquake Report, (1 USGS form)." This notice provides the public an opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of this form.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before November 14, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior via OMB e-mail: (*OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov*); or by fax (202) 395-6566; and identify your submission with #1028-0048.

Please submit a copy of your comments to Phadrea Ponds, Information Collections, U.S. Geological Survey, 2150-C Center Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail); (970) 226-9230 (fax); or *pponds@usgs.gov* (e-mail). Use Information Collection Number 1028-0062 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact John Dewey at (303) 274-8419.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: USGS Earthquake Report.

OMB Control Number: 1028-0048.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The U.S. Geological Survey is required to collect, evaluate, publish and distribute published information concerning earthquakes. Respondents will have an opportunity to voluntarily supply information concerning the effects of shaking from an earthquake—on themselves, buildings, other man-made structures, and ground effects such as faulting or landslides.

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2), and under regulations at 30 CFR 250.197, "Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection." Responses are voluntary. No questions of a "sensitive" nature are asked. We will release data collected on these forms only in formats that do not include proprietary information volunteered by respondents.

Affected Public: General Public.

Respondent Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion, after each earthquake.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: Approximately 100,000 individuals affected by an earthquake.

Estimated Number of Responses: 80,000.

Annual Burden Hours: 10,000 hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: The currently approved "hour" burden for this collection is 10,000 hours. We estimate the public reporting burden will average 6 minutes per response. This includes the time for reviewing instructions, and answering a Web-based questionnaire.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden: We have not identified any "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

Comments: Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) requires each agency " * * * to provide notice * * * and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information * * * " Agencies must specifically solicit comments. We invite comments concerning this information collection on:

- (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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 can ask OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done. To comply with the public process, we publish this **Federal Register** notice announcing that we will submit this ICR to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60-day public comment period.

USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer: Phadrea Ponds, 970-226-9445.

Dated: September 9, 2008.

Vic Labson,

Acting Associate Director for Geology.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to NANA Regional Corporation, Inc., Successor in Interest to Akuliuk Corporation. The lands are in the vicinity of Selawik, Alaska, and are located in:

Kateel River Meridian, Alaska

T. 13 N., R. 4 W.,

Secs. 1 to 36, inclusive.

Containing approximately 18,501 acres.

T. 14 N., R. 4 W.,

Secs. 21 to 36, inclusive.

Containing approximately 8,452 acres.

T. 12 N., R. 5 W.,

Sec. 33.

Containing approximately 60 acres.

T. 14 N., R. 5 W.,

Secs. 1 to 4, inclusive;