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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary is announcing a public meeting of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Public Advisory Committee.

DATES: January 9, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.
ADDRESSES: Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council Office, 441 West 5th Avenue, Suite 500, Anchorage, Alaska.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Mutter, Department of the Interior, Office of Environmental Policy and Compliance, 1689 "C" Street, Suite 119, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, (907) 271-5011.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Public Advisory Committee was created by Paragraph V.A.4 of the Memorandum of Agreement and Consent Decree entered into by the United States of America and the State of Alaska on August 27, 1991, and approved by the United States District Court for the District of Alaska in settlement of *United States of America v. State of Alaska*, Civil Action No. A91-081 CV. The meeting agenda will include a review of the draft fiscal year 2010 invitation for proposals, the latest herring recovery plan, and the revised list of injured resources and services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of 5-Year Reviews of 7 Listed Species

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of review; request for information.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, initiate 5-year reviews of the endangered Appalachian monkeyface (*Quadrula sparsa*), the northeast population of the roseate tern (*Sterna dougalii dougalii*), and the shale barren rock-cress (*Arabis serotina*), and the threatened Cheat Mountain salamander (*Plethodon nettingi*), the Madison cave isopod (*Antrolana lira*), the sensitive joint-vetch (*Aeschynomene virginica*), and the Virginia sneezeweed (*Helenium virginicum*), under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). We request any new information on these species that may have a bearing on their classification as endangered or threatened. Based on the results of these 5-year reviews, we will make a finding on whether these species are properly classified under the Act.

DATES: To allow us adequate time to conduct these reviews, we are requesting submission of new information by February 17, 2009. However, we will continue to accept new information about any listed species at any time.

ADDRESSES: For instructions on where to submit information and review the information that we receive on these species, see "Public Solicitation of New Information."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Mary Parkin, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Northeast Region, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, MA 01035, 413-253-8617 or 617-876-6173, or via e-mail at mary_parkin@fws.gov. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal

Relay Service at 800-877-8337 for TTY assistance. For species-specific information, contact the appropriate person under "Public Solicitation of New Information."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Why Do We Conduct a 5-Year Review?

Under the Act we maintain the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plant Species (List) at 50 CFR 17.11 and 17.12. We amend the List by publishing final rules in the **Federal Register**. Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the Act requires that we conduct a review of listed species at least once every 5 years. Section 4(c)(2)(B) requires that we determine: (1) Whether a species no longer meets the definition of threatened or endangered and should be removed from the List (delisted); (2) Whether a species more properly meets the definition of threatened and should be reclassified from endangered to threatened; or (3) Whether a species more properly meets the definition of endangered and should be reclassified from threatened to endangered. Using the best scientific and commercial data available, a species will be considered for delisting if the data substantiate that the species is neither endangered nor threatened for one or more of the following reasons: (1) The species is considered extinct; (2) The species is considered to be recovered; and/or (3) The original data available when the species was listed, or the interpretation of such data, were in error. Any change in Federal classification requires a separate rulemaking process. Therefore, we are requesting submission of any such information that has become available since either the original listing or the most recent status review for these species. Based on the results of these 5-year reviews, we will make the requisite findings under section 4(c)(2)(B) of the Act.

Our regulations at 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing those species currently under review. This notice announces initiation of our active review of the species in Table 1.

TABLE 1—SUMMARY OF LISTING INFORMATION, 4 WILDLIFE SPECIES AND 3 PLANT SPECIES IN THE NORTHEAST REGION

Common name	Scientific name	Status	Where listed	Final listing rule
ANIMALS				
Appalachian monkeyface	<i>Quadrula sparsa</i>	Endangered	VA	41 FR 24062; 06/14/1976
Appalachian monkeyface	<i>Quadrula sparsa</i>	Experimental Population, Non-Essential.	TN	72 FR 52433; 09/13/2007
Cheat Mountain salamander.	<i>Plethodon nettingi</i>	Threatened	Entire Range	54 FR 34464; 08/18/1989
Madison cave isopod	<i>Antrolana lira</i>	Threatened	Entire Range	47 FR 43699; 10/04/1982