

of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information. A summary of the public comments will accompany the BLM's submission of the information collection requests to OMB.

Before including your address, phone number, email 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 us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The following information is provided for the information collection:

Title: Road Use Fees Paid Report.

OMB Control Number: 1004-0102.

Summary: Most purchasers of timber from BLM-managed lands use both Federal and private roads to haul the timber. In such instances, the timber sale contract with the BLM requires the purchaser to pay private landowners for the use and/or maintenance of their roads. These fees represent the BLM's share of road construction and maintenance costs under reciprocal right-of-way agreements between the BLM and private landowners. See 43 U.S.C. 1762; 43 CFR subpart 2812. This information collection is a report that timber sale purchasers submit to the BLM to show that they have paid the fees required by their timber sale contracts. The BLM uses the report to ensure compliance with the timber sale contract, and to amortize road construction and maintenance costs among several road users.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Description of Respondents: Timber sale purchasers that haul timber purchased from the BLM over privately owned roads that are included in reciprocal right-of-way agreements.

Total Annual Responses: 40.

Response Time: 20 minutes.

Total Annual Burden Hours for Respondents: 13 hours.

Jean Sonneman,

Acting Information Collection Clearance Officer, Bureau of Land Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Denali National Park and Preserve Aircraft Overflights Advisory Council

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of renewal.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of the Interior is giving notice of the renewal of the Denali National Park and Preserve Aircraft Overflights Advisory Council to offer recommendations, alternatives and possible solutions to management of off-road vehicles at Big Cypress National Preserve.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Miriam Valentine, Denali Park and Preserve, 240 W. 5th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99501, 907-644-3611.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Denali National Park and Preserve Aircraft Overflights Advisory Council has been established in accordance with the Denali National Park and Preserve's 2006 Backcountry Management Plan and EIS. The plan concluded that air travel is an important means of access for backcountry users, and that scenic air tours are an important means for other park visitors to access and enjoy Mount McKinley and adjoining scenic peaks and glaciers. However, the cumulative impact of these tours, plus the additional aircraft traffic, must be mitigated to protect park resource values and the quality of the visitor experience. The plan calls for an aircraft overflights advisory group that will develop voluntary measures for assuring the safety of passengers, pilots, and mountaineers, and for achieving future resource conditions at Denali. The National Park Service needs the advice of this group to develop effective mitigation measures that will be acceptable to stakeholders. The Council is composed of individuals that represent a broad range of interests, including air taxi operators, commercial aviation, local landowners, the State of Alaska, the Federal Aviation Administration, climbers and other park users, and the environmental community.

Certification: I hereby certify that the renewal of the Denali National Park and Preserve Aircraft Overflights Advisory Council is necessary and in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior by the Act of August 25, 1916, (39 Stat. 535), as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1 *et seq.*, and other

statutes relating to the administration of the National Park System.

Dated: November 25, 2009.

Ken Salazar,
Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, Soldotna, AK

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability: record of decision.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of the record of decision (ROD) for the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for Kenai National Wildlife Refuge (NWR, Refuge). The Refuge is located within the Kenai Peninsula Borough, Alaska. We completed a thorough analysis of the environmental, social, and economic considerations and presented it in our final EIS, which we released to the public on September 18, 2009.

DATES: The Regional Director of the Alaska Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, signed the ROD on January 4, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may view or obtain copies of the ROD/final EIS on paper or CD-ROM by any of the following methods:

Agency Web Site: Download a copy of the document(s) at <http://alaska.fws.gov/nwr/planning/kenpol.htm>.

E-mail: fw7_kenai_planning@fws.gov. Include "Kenai ROD" in the subject line of the message.

Mail: Refuge Manager, Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 2139, Soldotna, AK 99669-2139.

In-Person Viewing or Pickup: Call Peter Wikoff, Planning Team Leader at (907) 786-3357 to make an appointment during regular business hours at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 East Tudor Rd., MS-231, Anchorage, AK 99503; fax: (907) 786-3965.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Refuge Manager at the address or phone number above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we finalize the CCP process for Kenai NWR. We released the

draft CCP/draft EIS to the public, announcing and requesting comments in a notice of availability in the **Federal Register** on May 8, 2008 (73 FR 26140). We announced the availability of the final CCP/EIS in the **Federal Register** on August 27, 2009 (74 FR 43718).

In accordance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR 1506.6(b)) requirements, this notice announces the availability of the ROD for the final EIS and CCP for Kenai NWR. We completed a thorough analysis of the environmental, social, and economic considerations, which we included in the final CCP/EIS. The ROD documents our selection of Alternative E, the Preferred Alternative, in the CCP, with modifications. The CCP will guide us in managing and administering Kenai Refuge for the next 15 years. Alternative E, as we described in the final EIS/ROD, is the foundation for the CCP, with modifications.

The Kenai Refuge Comprehensive Conservation Plan provides management guidance that conserves Refuge resources and facilitates compatible fish and wildlife-dependent public use activities during the next 15 years. The following is a summary of the ROD for the Refuge's Final CCP/EIS.

We have selected Alternative E, the Preferred Alternative, with modifications, as the Comprehensive Conservation Plan for Kenai Refuge. Alternative E addresses key issues and concerns identified during the planning process and will best achieve the purposes of the Refuge as well as the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System. This decision adopts the management goals and objectives (Chapter 2) and the stipulations and mitigation measures identified in Alternative E. Implementation of Alternative E, as modified, will occur over the next 15 years, depending on future staffing levels and funding.

Modifications to Alternative E

With consideration to comments from the State of Alaska, the management direction provided by Alternative E will be modified as follows:

- We will alter the opening date of seasonally closed lakes from September 30 to September 10, to coincide with that of the Alaska Board of Game's Kenai Controlled Use Area in Game Management Unit 15A, when Refuge regulations are updated. These lakes will then remain open for public use until May 1 (approximately when the ice melts) each spring.
- Under current regulations, the operation of aircraft between May 1 and September 30 on any lake where nesting trumpeter swans and/or their broods are

present is prohibited. Over the next several years, we will examine swan brood survey data and other information to determine if swan abundance has increased to the point this restriction has created a de facto closure of so many lakes as to significantly impact access to the refuge back-country. We will evaluate our current closure regulations in light of these findings.

Factors We Considered in Decisionmaking

We based our decision on a thorough analysis of the environmental, social, and economic considerations we presented in the Final CCP/EIS. We reviewed and considered the impacts identified in Chapter 4 of the Draft and Final CCP/EIS; relevant issues, concerns, and opportunities; input we received throughout the planning process, including the results of various studies and surveys, advice from technical experts, and public comments on the Draft and Final CCP/EIS; and other factors, including refuge purposes and relevant laws, regulations, and policies. The Final EIS/CCP addresses a variety of needs, including protection of fish and wildlife populations and their habitats and providing opportunities for fish and wildlife-dependent recreation, subsistence, and other public uses. The combination of these components in Alternative E contributes significantly to achieving refuge purposes and goals. Alternative E also strengthens the monitoring of fish, wildlife, habitat, and public uses on the Refuge to provide means to better respond to changing conditions in the surrounding landscape.

The adoption of Alternative E, as modified, is effective immediately.

Dated: January 4, 2010.

Geoffrey L. Haskett,

Regional Director, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Anchorage, Alaska.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Record of Decision for the General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial, Missouri.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C), the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of a Record of Decision

(ROD) for the General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for the Jefferson National Expansion Memorial (Memorial), Missouri. On November 23, the NPS Midwest Region regional director approved the ROD for the final GMP/EIS. As soon as practicable, the NPS will begin to implement the preferred alternative.

The NPS will implement the preferred alternative as described in the final GMP/EIS issued on October 23, 2009, with one alteration to the proposed boundary in East St. Louis, Illinois. Alternative 3 (Program Expansion), the preferred alternative, will revitalize the Memorial by expanded programming, facilities, and partnerships. The NPS will capitalize on multiple opportunities to expand visitor experience throughout the Memorial.

In order to gain the widest breadth of ideas for expanding interpretation, education opportunities, and visitor amenities at the Memorial, a design competition, akin to the 1947 competition, will be initiated by the NPS in close coordination with partners. Project funding will not come all at once but rather will most likely be provided by partners, donations, and other non-Federal and Federal sources. Private funding will be required in order to fully implement the winning entry of the design competition.

The NPS will use the design competition to seek opportunities to enhance existing entrances to the Memorial on the north and south, as well as to capitalize on the primary axis between the Old Courthouse and the Gateway Arch with new entrances on the west and east and by establishing a new east portal linking East St. Louis to the Gateway Arch grounds by water taxi. A new external and internal visitor transportation system will be designed as part of the competition. The ultimate configuration and use of the south end of the Memorial will be determined by the results of the design competition. Similarly, the design competition will vet ideas for the configuration and use of that portion of the Memorial in East St. Louis. While the entrants will be asked to respect the recent developments at Malcolm Martin Memorial Park, the NPS and the Metro East Park and Recreation District will entertain designs that integrate the established functions into a cohesive vision for the Memorial.

While the design solutions might include the development of above-ground structures within a portion of the designated Design Competition Overlay, the NPS will not allow the implementation of a project that would