

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary is announcing that the Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform (the Commission) will hold a public meeting on December 6 and 7, 2012. During the public meeting, the Commission will hear from invited speakers about: management and administration of probate and real estate services administered through compacts and contracts; management and administration of natural resources held in trust; and trust reform, including other trust models and the trust relationship. The meeting will allow the Commission to gain insights and perspectives from members of the public. The Commission will also be hosting a youth outreach session on the evening of December 6, 2012, on the University of Washington campus to meet with young adults and college students on their ideas and recommendations to improve performance and services to trust beneficiaries.

DATES: The Commission's public meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 5 p.m. on December 6, and begin at 8 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. on December 7, 2012. Members of the public who wish to attend in person should respond by December 4, 2012, to: trustcommission@ios.doi.gov to ensure adequate meeting packets will be made available. Members of the public who wish to participate via teleconference and/or webinar should respond by December 4, 2012, to: trustcommission@ios.doi.gov and information on how to register will be provided; virtual participation is limited to 100 participants. The Commission's public youth outreach session will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on December 6, 2012; additional information will be available at: <http://www.doi.gov/cobell/commission/index.cfm>.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Double Tree Suites by Hilton Hotel Seattle Airport, 18740 International Boulevard, Seattle, Washington 98188. We encourage you to respond to trustcommission@ios.doi.gov by December 4, 2012. The public youth outreach session will be held on the University of Washington campus; further information on the location will be available at <http://www.doi.gov/cobell/commission/index.cfm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Designated Federal Official, Lizzie Marsters, Chief of Staff to the Deputy Secretary, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW., Room 6118, Washington, DC 20240; or email to Lizzie_Marsters@ios.doi.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform was established under Secretarial Order No. 3292, dated December 8, 2009. The Commission plays a key role in the Department's ongoing efforts to empower Indian nations and strengthen nation-to-nation relationships.

The Commission will complete a comprehensive evaluation of the Department's management and administration of the trust assets within a two-year period and offer recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior on how to improve in the future. The Commission will:

- (1) Conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the Department's management and administration of the trust administration system;
- (2) Review the Department's provision of services to trust beneficiaries;
- (3) Review input from the public, interested parties, and trust beneficiaries, which should involve conducting a number of regional listening sessions;
- (4) Consider the nature and scope of necessary audits of the Department's trust administration system;
- (5) Recommend options to the Secretary to improve the Department's management and administration of the trust administration system based on information obtained from the Commission's activities, including whether any legislative or regulatory changes are necessary to permanently implement the improvements; and
- (6) Consider the provisions of the American Indian Trust Fund Management Reform Act of 1994 providing for the termination of the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians, and make recommendations to the Secretary regarding termination.

Meeting Details

On Thursday, December 6, 2012, and Friday, December 7, 2012, the Commission will hold a meeting open to the public. The following items will be on the agenda.

Thursday, December 6, 2012

- Invocation;
- Welcome, introductions, agenda review;
- Commission operations reports and decisions;
- Commission review and discussion of preliminary recommendations;
- Public observations and comments regarding Commission recommendations;

- Panel session regarding real estate and probate;
- Panel session regarding natural resource assets;
- Status update on settlement;
- Commissioner reflections and insights from the day; and
- Review of action items from the today's discussion.

On the evening of Thursday, December 6, 2012, the Commission will host a youth outreach session from at 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the University of Washington campus to meet with young adults and college students on their ideas and recommendations to improve performance and services to trust beneficiaries. For additional information please refer to <http://www.doi.gov/cobell/commission/index.cfm>.

Friday, December 7, 2012

- Invocation;
- Welcome, introductions, agenda review;
- Presentation and discussion from BIA Budget Office;
- Panel session regarding trust reform and administration;
- Public comment regarding Commission discussion thus far;
- Planning for 2013 meetings;
- Commission discussion of insights and conclusions from panel speakers and preliminary discussion of how to integrate ideas into draft recommendations;
- Review action items, meeting accomplishments; and
- Closing blessing, adjourn.

Written comments may be sent to the Designated Federal Official listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section above. To review all related material on the Commission's work, please refer to <http://www.doi.gov/cobell/commission/index.cfm>. All meetings are open to the public.

Dated: November 5, 2012.

David J. Hayes,

Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct activities with the purpose of enhancing the survival of endangered species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing such permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by December 14, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Endangered Species Program Manager, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colleen Henson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address or by telephone (503-231-6131) or fax (503-231-6243).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for certain permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits for endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities (including take or interstate commerce) with respect to U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following application. Please refer to the appropriate permit number for the application when submitting comments.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are

available for review by request from the Endangered Species Program Manager at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Number: TE-84876A

Applicant: Andersen Air Force Base, Yigo, Guam

The applicant requests a recovery permit to remove and reduce to possession (collection of seed pods, seeds, flowers, cuttings, and seedlings) *Serianthes nelsonii* (Hayun lagu) in conjunction with captive propagation and future outplanting for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

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.

Authority:

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: October 18, 2012.

Richard Hannan,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge and UL Bend National Wildlife Refuge, MT; Availability of Record of Decision for the Final Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a record of decision (ROD) for the final comprehensive conservation plan (CCP) and final environmental impact statement (EIS) for Charles M. Russell and UL Bend National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs, Refuges).

ADDRESSES: You may view or obtain copies of the ROD, the final CCP and final EIS, or other project information by any of the following methods:

Agency Web site: Download a copy of the documents at www.fws.gov/cmr/planning.

Email: cmrplanning@fws.gov. Include "Request copy of Charles M. Russell NWR ROD" in the subject line of the message.

U.S. mail: Charles M. Russell NWR, P.O. Box 110, Lewistown, MT 59457.

In-Person Viewing or Pickup: Call 406-538-8706 to make an appointment during regular business hours at Charles M. Russell NWR Headquarters, Airport Road, Lewistown, MT 59457.

Local Libraries: The final documents are available for review at the libraries listed under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Potts, Project Leader, at 406-538-8706 (phone), or Laurie Shannon, Planning Team Leader, 303-236-4317 (phone) or laurie_shannon@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we finalize the CCP process for Charles M. Russell and UL Bend NWRs. We started this process through a notice in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 68174, December 4, 2007). Following a lengthy scoping and alternatives development period, we published a second notice in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 54381, September 7, 2010), announcing the availability of the draft CCP and draft EIS and our intention to hold public meetings, and requesting comments. We then published a third notice in the **Federal Register** (75 FR 67095, November 1, 2010), extending the comment period by 24 days to December 10, 2010.

Charles M. Russell and UL Bend NWRs encompass nearly 1.1 million acres, including Fort Peck Reservoir in north central Montana. The Refuges extend about 125 air miles west from Fort Peck Dam to the western edge at the boundary of the Upper Missouri Breaks National Monument. UL Bend NWR lies within Charles M. Russell NWR. In essence, UL Bend NWR is a