

3. Direct, indirect, and cumulative impacts that implementation of the proposed Covered Activities could have on endangered, threatened, and other Covered Species, and their communities or habitats;

4. Other possible alternatives to the proposed action that the Service should consider;

5. Other current or planned activities in the subject area and their possible impacts on Covered Species;

6. The presence of archaeological sites, buildings and structures, historic events, sacred and traditional areas, and other historic preservation concerns, which are required to be considered in project planning by the National Historic Preservation Act; and

7. Identification of any other environmental issues that should be considered with regard to the proposed MSHCP and permit action.

Public Availability of Comments

You may submit your comments and materials by one of the methods listed above in the **ADDRESSES** section. Before including your address, phone number, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—might 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.

Comments and materials we receive, as well as supporting documentation we use in preparing the EIS, will be available for public inspection by appointment, during normal business hours, at the Services Midwest Regional Office in Bloomington, Minnesota. (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section). You may obtain copies of this notice on the Internet at: <http://www.midwestwindenergyhcpeis.org>, or from the Midwest Regional Office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section).

Scoping Meetings

See **DATES** for the date/s and time/s of our public scoping meetings. The primary purpose of these meetings and public comment period is to provide the public with a general understanding of the background of the proposed action and to solicit suggestions and information on the scope of issues and alternatives we should consider when drafting the EIS. Written comments will be accepted at the meetings. Comments can also be submitted by methods listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Once the draft

EIS and proposed MSHCP are complete and made available for review, there will be additional opportunity for public comment on the content of those documents.

Persons needing reasonable accommodations in order to attend and participate in the public meetings should contact the Midwest Region using one of the methods listed above in **ADDRESSES** as soon as possible. In order to allow sufficient time to process requests, please make contact no later than one week before the public meeting. Information regarding this proposed action is available in alternative formats upon request.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10 of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), section 668a of the Eagle Act (16 U.S.C. 668a–668d), and per NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1501.7, 40 CFR 1506.5 and 1508.22).

Dated: May 29, 2015.

Lynn Lewis,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Midwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

**[FWS–R3–ES–2013–N194;
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Notice of Availability of the Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for Enbridge Line 6B Oil Discharges Near Marshall, MI

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI), acting through the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS); the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribe; and the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of the Pottawatomi Indians have written a Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment (Draft Plan), which describes proposed alternatives for restoring injured natural resources and compensating for losses resulting from the discharges of oil from Enbridge's Line 6B oil pipeline near Marshall, Michigan, in July 2010. The Draft Plan was prepared in accordance with the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA) and the National Environmental Policy Act

(NEPA). The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of the availability of the Draft Plan and to seek written comments.

DATES: Written comments must be postmarked no later than July 27, 2015.

ADDRESSES: *Obtaining Documents:* You may obtain copies of the documents by any of the following methods:

- *Online:* <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/es/ec/nrda/MichiganEnbridge/index.html>.

- *Email:* Lisa L. Williams, at lisa_williams@fws.gov. Do not use any special characters or forms of encryption in your email.

- *In-person:* U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2651 Coolidge Road, Suite 101, East Lansing, MI 48848.

- *U.S. mail:* Lisa L. Williams, Contaminants Specialist, at the Coolidge Road address above.

Submitting Comments: You may submit comments to Lisa L. Williams at the Coolidge Road address above or via email at kzoorivernrda@fws.gov with “Enbridge NRDA Comment” in the subject line

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Technical Information: Lisa Williams, (517) 351–8324.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOI, acting through FWS; the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribe; and the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of the Pottawatomi Indians have written a Draft Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment (Draft Plan), which describes proposed alternatives for restoring injured natural resources and compensating for losses resulting from the discharges of oil from Enbridge's Line 6B oil pipeline near Marshall, Michigan, which occurred July 25–26, 2010. The Draft Plan was prepared in accordance with the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). DOI and the two tribes prepared this Draft Plan in cooperation with our co-Trustees: The Department of Commerce (DOC), acting through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and the State of Michigan, acting through the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), and the Michigan Department of Attorney General (MDAG). The purpose of this notice is to inform the public of the availability of the Draft Plan and to seek written comments. This notice is provided pursuant to Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration (NRDAR) regulations

(15 CFR 990.23 and 990.55(c)) and NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

The DOI (represented by the FWS), the DOC (represented by the NOAA), the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribe, the Match-E-Bé-Nash-She-Wish Band of the Pottawatomi Indians, and the State of Michigan (the latter acting through MDEQ, MDNR, and MDAG) are Trustees for natural resources considered in this Draft Plan, pursuant to subpart G of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (40 CFR 300.600, 300.605, and 300.610) and Executive Order 12580. The Trustees followed the NRDAR regulations found at 15 CFR part 990 and the NEPA regulations found at 40 CFR parts 1500–1508 for the development of the Draft Plan. The Trustees will consider all public comments received during the public comment as we proceed to finalize the Draft Plan. The Draft Plan will be finalized prior to implementation of restoration. Any significant additions or modifications to the Final Plan that become necessary as restoration actions proceed will be made available for public review before any changes in restoration actions are undertaken.

Background

The goal of NRDAR under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2701 *et seq.*; OPA) is to make the environment and public whole for injuries to natural resources and natural resource services resulting from incidents involving discharge or substantial threat of discharge of oil. This goal is achieved through returning injured natural resources and services to baseline and compensating for interim losses of such natural resources and services through the restoration, rehabilitation, replacement, or acquisition of equivalent natural resources and/or services.

Process

In this case, the Trustees worked together in a cooperative process to identify appropriate restoration activities to address natural resource injuries caused by discharges of oil from Enbridge's Line 6B pipeline near Marshall, Michigan. The results of this administrative process are contained in the Draft Plan, which is a planning and decision document being published for public review under OPA and NEPA. The Draft Plan describes the injuries that occurred as a result of the discharges of oil, how the Trustees estimated damages, how those damages will be addressed through proposed restoration alternatives, and what the

expected environmental impacts of the proposed projects would be. By law, natural resource damages received must be used to restore, rehabilitate, replace, and/or acquire the equivalent of those injured natural resources.

Public Involvement

Interested members of the public are invited to review and comment on the Plan. Copies can be requested from the address and Web site listed above. Comments on the Draft Plan should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (see **ADDRESSES**). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will provide copies of all comments to the other Trustees. All comments received from individuals become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Council on Environmental Quality's NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6(f)).

Availability of Public Comments

The Trustees' practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that the entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be available at any time. While individual respondents may request that the Fish and Wildlife Service withhold their personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee we will be able to do so.

Authority

This notice is provided pursuant to NRDAR regulations (15 CFR 990.23 and 990.55(c)) and NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Dated: April 3, 2015.

Charles Wooley,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

**[FWS-HQ-IA-2015-N115;
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Endangered Species; Marine Mammals; Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species or marine mammals. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) prohibit activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

DATES: We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before July 13, 2015. We must receive requests for marine mammal permit public hearings, in writing, at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section by July 13, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, Branch of Permits, MS: IA, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041; fax (703) 358-2281; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2281 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How Do I Request Copies of Applications or Comment on Submitted Applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an email or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we