

improvement of the status of listed species to the point at which listing is no longer needed under any criteria specified in section 4(a)(1) of the Act. To help guide the recovery effort, we prepare recovery plans for most listed species. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for conservation of the species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting, and estimate time and cost for implementing recovery measures. The Act requires the development of recovery plans for listed species, unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species.

The Service listed the Mississippi gopher frog (*Rana capito sevosa*) under the Act, as an endangered distinct vertebrate population segment (DPS) of the gopher frog (*Rana capito*) on December 4, 2001 (66 FR 62993). On June 12, 2012, we published a final rule (77 FR 35118) designating critical habitat for this listed entity, changing its status to "species," and changing its name to dusky gopher frog (*Rana sevosa*) based on taxonomic changes and the acceptance of these changes by the herpetological scientific community. The frog's current distribution is restricted to the State of Mississippi. At the time of listing, only one population of the species was known. Subsequently, two other naturally occurring populations were discovered. One additional dusky gopher frog population has been established in Mississippi as a result of translocation experiments. Presently, we estimate that a minimum of 135 individual adult frogs survive in the wild, the vast majority of which occur in the original population known at the time of listing.

Principal threats to the dusky gopher frog include degradation and destruction of breeding and nonbreeding habitat, habitat fragmentation, and alteration of hydrological patterns due to urbanization and climate change. Additional threats include the restricted range of the dusky gopher frog, its small number of populations, and disease. All these factors act to increase the vulnerability of the species to a single catastrophic event and to the deleterious effects of genetic inbreeding.

### Recovery Plan

Section 4(f) of the Act requires us to provide public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment prior to final approval of recovery plans. We and other Federal agencies will take these comments into account in the course of implementing approved recovery plans.

The *Technical/Agency Draft Recovery Plan for the Dusky Gopher Frog* was developed by the Dusky Gopher Frog Recovery Team and our Mississippi Field Office. This draft plan was published on September 10, 2014, and made available for public comment through November 10, 2014 (79 FR 53728).

We received public comments on our draft recovery plan and incorporated them into the final plan, as appropriate. We also considered the information we received from peer reviewers in our preparation and approval of this final recovery plan.

### Recovery Plan Components

The Service's recovery objectives are to work to reduce threats so that the dusky gopher frog may be downlisted to threatened status. Defining reasonable delisting criteria is not possible at this time, given the current low number of populations and individuals, lack of information about the species' biology, and magnitude of threats. Therefore, this recovery plan only establishes downlisting criteria for the dusky gopher frog.

*Downlisting of the dusky gopher frog will be considered when:*

1. Six viable metapopulations\* are documented within blocks of recovery focus areas (described in Section II of the recovery plan) and are widely distributed across the range of the species. The six metapopulations would include a minimum of 12 breeding ponds and would be distributed as follows:

- a. One metapopulation in Block #1 (*Louisiana*: Portions of St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington Parishes, west to the Tangipahoa River);
- b. Two metapopulations each in Block #2 (*South-Central Mississippi*: North of State Hwy. 26, between the Pearl and Pascagoula Rivers; Forrest County and portions of Lamar, Pearl River, Perry, and Stone Counties) and Block #3 (*South Mississippi*: South of Hwy. 26, between the Pearl and Pascagoula Rivers; Hancock and Harrison Counties, and portions of Jackson, George, Pearl River, and Stone Counties); and
- c. One metapopulation in either Block #4 (*Eastern Mississippi*: East of Pascagoula/Leaf Rivers; portions of George, Greene, Jackson, and Wayne Counties) or Block #5 (*Alabama*: West of the Mobile River Delta; Mobile and Washington Counties, small portion of Choctaw County).

2. Long-term monitoring (at least 10 years) of each metapopulation is able to document population viability (viability standard to be defined through a recovery task). The 10-year timeframe

will allow monitoring of recruitment events and other population attributes in a species that has been characterized by highly variable reproductive and survival rates. In each of at least two annual breeding events within a 3-year period, a total of 30 egg masses per metapopulation must be documented and recruitment must be verified.

3. Breeding and adjacent upland habitats within the six metapopulations are protected long term through management agreements, public ownership, or other means, in sufficient quantity and quality (to be determined by recovery task) to support growing populations.

4. Studies of the dusky gopher frog's biological and ecological requirements are completed, and any required recovery measures discovered during these studies are developed and implemented.

\* Information defining what constitutes a viable metapopulation can be found in the Service's final recovery plan.

### Authority

The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533 (f).

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**Cynthia K. Dohner,**

*Regional Director, Southeast Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### U.S. Geological Survey

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### Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a new information collection, Doug D. Nebert NSDI Champion of the Year Award.

**SUMMARY:** We (the U.S. Geological Survey) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC.

**DATES:** To ensure that your comments are considered, we must receive them on or before November 9, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703) 648-7197 (fax); or *gs-info\_collections@usgs.gov* (email). Please reference "Information Collection 1028-NEW, Doug D. Nebert NSDI Champion of the Year Award" in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brigitta Urban-Mathieux, Federal Geographic Data Committee Office of the Secretariat, U.S. Geological Survey, at (703) 648-5175 or *burbanma@usgs.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

The Doug D. Nebert NSDI Champion of the Year Award honors a respected colleague, technical visionary, and recognized national leader in the establishment of spatial data infrastructures that significantly enhance the understanding of our physical and cultural world. The award is sponsored by the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) and its purpose is to recognize an individual or a team representing Federal, State, Tribal, regional, and (or) local government, academia, or non-profit and professional organization that has developed an outstanding, innovative, and operational tool, application, or service capability used by multiple organizations that furthers the vision of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI).

National nominations are accepted from the public and private sector individuals, teams, organizations, and professional societies. Nomination packages include three sections: (A) Cover Sheet, (B) Summary Statement, and (C) Supplemental Materials. The cover sheet includes professional contact information. The Summary Statement is limited to two pages and describes the nominee's achievements in the development of an outstanding, innovative, and operational tool, application, or service capability that directly supports the spatial data infrastructures. Nominations may include up to 10 pages of supplemental information such as resume, publications list, and/or letters of endorsement. The award consists of a citation and plaque, which are presented to the recipient at an appropriate public forum by the FGDC Chair. The name of the recipient is also inscribed on a permanent plaque, which are displayed by the FGDC.

**II. Data**

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-NEW.

*Title:* Doug D. Nebert NSDI Champion of the Year Award.

*Type of Request:* New information collection.

*Affected Public:* Personnel from Federal, State, Local, and Tribal governments; Private Sector; Academia; and Non-profit organizations.

*Respondent's Obligation:* None. Participation is voluntary.

*Frequency of Collection:* This is an annual offer.

*Estimated Annual Number of Respondents:* 10.

*Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses:* 10.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 10 hours.

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 100 hours.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden:* None.

*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 and current expiration date.

**III. Request for Comments**

We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your personal mailing address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personally identifiable information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public view, we

cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Ivan DeLoatch,**

*Executive Director, Federal Geographic Data Committee, Core Science Systems.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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**Pueblo of Santa Ana Title 10—  
Licensing & Regulation, Chapter 1—  
Liquor Code (Chapter)**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes the amendment to the Pueblo of Santa Ana's Title 10—Licensing & Regulation, Chapter 1—Liquor Code (Chapter). This Chapter amends the existing Chapter 1—Liquor Code, Section 126, enacted by the Pueblo of Santa Ana Tribal Council, which was published in the **Federal Register** on April 7, 2006 (71 FR 17903).

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* This code shall become effective on October 9, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Patricia Mattingly, Tribal Government Services Officer, Southwest Regional Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1001 Indian School Road NW., Albuquerque, NM 87104-2303, Phone: (505) 536-3100; Fax: (505) 563-3101; or Ms. Laurel Iron Cloud, Chief, Division of Tribal Government Services, Office of Indian Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street NW., MS-4513-MIB, Washington, DC 20240; Telephone (202) 513-7641.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953, Public Law 83-277, 67 Stat. 586, 18 U.S.C. 1161, as interpreted by the Supreme Court in *Rice v. Rehner*, 463 U.S. 713 (1983), the Secretary of the Interior shall certify and publish in the **Federal Register** notice of adopted liquor ordinances for the purpose of regulating liquor transactions in Indian country. The Pueblo of Santa Ana Tribal Council of the Pueblo of Santa Ana adopted the amendments to the Pueblo's Title 10—Licensing & Regulation, Chapter 1—Liquor Code (Chapter), Section 126, by Resolution No. 2015-R-09 on June 11, 2015. This **Federal Register** notice amends and supersedes the Pueblo of Santa Ana Liquor Ordinance, enacted by the Pueblo of Santa Ana Tribal Council,