

households. This form is used by the USCIS to determine eligibility of an applicant to retain the status of an alien lawfully admitted to the United States for permanent residence.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* The estimated total number of respondents for the information collection Form I-508 is 1,728 and the estimated hour burden per response is .75 hours. The estimated total number of respondents for the information collection Form I-508F is 200 and the estimated hour burden per response is .5 hours.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The total estimated annual hour burden associated with this collection is 1,396 hours.

(7) *An estimate of the total public burden (in cost) associated with the collection:* The estimated total annual cost burden associated with this collection of information is \$13,824.

Dated: March 2, 2017.

**Samantha Deshommes,**

*Chief, Regulatory Coordination Division, Office of Policy and Strategy, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5997-N-13]

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Notice on Equal Access Regardless of Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, or Marital Status for HUD's Community Planning and Development Programs, Withdrawal

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD announces the withdrawal of this proposed information collection published on September 21, 2016, for 60-days of public comment, and on January 24, 2017, for 30-days of public comment, to provide HUD with the opportunity to further review the need for the collection.

**DATES:** *Effective:* March 10, 2017.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Norm Suchar, Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW.,

Washington, DC 20410-7000; telephone number 202-708-4300 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing or have speech impairments can access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), HUD published two **Federal Register** notices that solicited public comment on an information collection pertaining to "Notice on Equal Access Regardless of Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, or Marital Status for HUD's Community Planning and Development Programs." The first notice was published on September 20, 2016, at 81 FR 64930, and solicited public comments for a period of 60-days. The second notice was published on January 24, 2017, at 82 FR 8198, and solicited comments for 30-days. (In addition, HUD published a correction to the January 24, 2017, notice on February 7, 2017, at 82 FR 9592.)

This information collection is being withdrawn immediately while HUD further considers the need for the information collection. HUD will provide for public comment, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 should HUD decides to seek approval from the Office of Management and Budget for this information collection.

HUD also takes this opportunity to correct an error contained in the "BACKGROUND" sections of both the January 24, 2017, notice and the February 7, 2017, correction. This section of the notices incorrectly stated that the notices were being published concurrently with HUD's final rule entitled "Equal Access in Accordance with an Individual's Gender Identity in Community Planning and Development Programs." The final rule was actually published on September 21, 2016.

Date: March 7, 2017.

**Ann Marie Oliva,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5997-N-14]

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Implementation Phase Review of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Youth Homelessness Prevention Initiative, Withdrawal

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD announces the withdrawal of this proposed information collection published on September 20, 2016, for 60-days of public comment and on February 23, 2017, for 30-days of public comment to provide HUD with the opportunity to further review the need for the collection.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* March 10, 2017.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Norm Suchar, Director, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410-7000; telephone number 202-708-4300 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing or have speech impairments can access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), HUD published two **Federal Register** notices that solicited public comment on an information collection pertaining to "Implementation Phase Review of the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ) Youth Homelessness Prevention Initiative." The first notice was published on September 20, 2016, at 81 FR 64497, and solicited public comments for a period of 60-days. The second notice was published on February 23, 2017, at 82 FR 114779, and solicited comments for 30-days.

This information collection is being withdrawn immediately while HUD further considers the need for the information collection. HUD will provide for public comment, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, should HUD decide to seek approval from the Office of Management and Budget for this information collection.

Dated: March 7, 2017.

**Ann Marie Oliva,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2017-0012;  
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#### **Draft Environmental Assessment; Export Program for Certain Native Species Under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service,  
Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request  
for public comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a draft environmental assessment (EA) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for our CITES Export Program (CEP) for certain native furbearer species. Some native furbearers are listed under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES, or Convention), including bobcat (*Lynx rufus*), river otter (*Lontra canadensis*), Canada lynx (*Lynx canadensis*), gray wolf (*Canis lupus*), and brown bear (*Ursus arctos*). These species have been listed in CITES Appendix II since the 1970s. Export from the United States of specimens of CITES Appendix-II species requires a CITES export permit issued by the Service. We have decided to prepare an EA on our export program for certain native furbearer species to help us conduct a thorough review of all relevant factors and potential impacts on the quality of the human environment as envisioned under NEPA.

**DATES:** We will consider all information and comments we receive on or before April 10, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** *Written comments:* You may submit comments pertaining to the draft EA by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the Search box, enter FWS-HQ-IA-2017-0012, which is the docket number for this notice. Click "Comment Now!" to comment.

- *U.S. mail or hand-delivery:* Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS-HQ-IA-2017-0012, Division of Policy,

Performance, and Management Programs; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 5275 Leesburg Pike; MS: BPHC; Falls Church, VA 22041.

We request that you send comments by only one of the methods described above. All information received will be posted on <http://www.regulations.gov>. This generally means that we will post any personal information you provide us (see Public Availability of Comments, below, for more information).

*Availability of documents:* You may obtain copies of the draft EA and related documents:

- *On the Internet:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the Search box, enter FWS-HQ-IA-2017-0012, which is the docket number for this notice. Click the "Open Docket Folder" link.

- *In person, by appointment and written request only, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at:* U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Craig Hoover, Chief, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: IA; 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803; telephone 703-358-2095; facsimile 703-358-2298. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are making available a draft environmental assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA); 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, for the U.S. CITES Export Program (CEP) for certain native furbearer species listed under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), 27 U.S.T. 1087 (March 3, 1973). Bobcat (*Lynx rufus*), river otter (*Lontra canadensis*), Canada lynx (*Lynx canadensis*), gray wolf (*Canis lupus*), and brown bear (*Ursus arctos*) have been listed in CITES Appendix II since the 1970s. CITES documents are required for export of these species from the United States, including parts and products of these species. Before a permit can be issued for the export of an Appendix-II species, the Service must be able to determine that the export will not be detrimental to the survival of the species and that the specimens to be exported have not been obtained in violation of laws for their protection.

Export from the United States of specimens of CITES Appendix-II species requires a CITES export permit issued by the Service. Our CITES-implementing regulations are found in

title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at part 23 (50 CFR part 23). Under the Department of the Interior policy and procedures for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the issuance, denial, suspension, and revocation of permits for activities involving fish, wildlife or plants, including permits involving species listed under CITES, are categorically excluded from the requirement for preparation of an EA or an EIS under NEPA when such permits cause no or negligible environmental disturbance (Departmental Manual, part 516, chapter 8.5, paragraph C(1)). However, we have prepared a draft EA on our CEP for certain native furbearer species to ensure that we have conducted a thorough review of all relevant factors and potential impacts on the quality of the human environment as envisioned under NEPA. This draft EA considers the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of the U.S. CEP for bobcat, river otter, Canada lynx, gray wolf, and brown bear harvested in the United States.

Service regulations governing the export of bobcat, river otter, Canada lynx, gray wolf, and brown bear harvested in the United States are set forth at 50 CFR 23.69. Our regulations allow States and Tribes to request approval for participation in our CEP for these native furbearers. States and Tribes set up and maintain management and harvest programs designed to monitor and protect CITES furbearers from overharvest. When a State or Tribe with a management program provides the Service with the necessary information, we make programmatic findings and have specific requirements that allow export under CITES. We must still issue a CITES export permit for each export, but the CEP provides for a more streamlined and efficient permitting process. Under the CEP, a State or Tribe must provide sufficient information for us to determine that its management program and harvest controls are appropriate to ensure that CITES furbearers harvested within its jurisdiction are legally acquired and that export will not be detrimental to the survival of the species in the wild.

#### **Proposed Action**

The proposed action, which is also the "no action" alternative and the preferred alternative, is to continue the CEP in its current form, which includes the mandatory tagging of skins of bobcat, river otter, Canada lynx, gray wolf, and brown bear to be exported from the United States, as required under our current regulations at 50 CFR 23.69. The species of furbearers