Public Availability of Comments

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.

Next Steps

Issuance of an incidental take permit is a Federal proposed action subject to compliance with NEPA and section 7 of the ESA. We will evaluate the application, associated documents, and any public comments we receive as part of our NEPA compliance process to determine whether the application meets the requirements of section 10(a) of the Act. If we determine that those requirements are met, we will conduct an intra-Service consultation under section 7 of the ESA for the Federal action for the potential issuance of an ITP. If the intra-Service consultation confirms that issuance of the ITP will not jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered or threatened species, or destroy or adversely modify critical habitat, we will issue a permit to the applicant for the incidental take of the covered species.

Authority

We publish this notice under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321–4347 et seq.), and its implementing regulations at 40 CFR 1500–1508, as well as in compliance with section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531–1544 et seq.) and its implementing regulations at 50 CFR 17.22 and 17.32.

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Acting Field Supervisor, Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

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Statement of Findings: Pechanga Band of Luiseño Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement Act

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of statement of findings.

SUMMARY: The publication by the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) of this notice causes the settlement agreement executed in accordance with Section 3402 of the Pechanga Band of Luiseo Mission Indians Water Rights Settlement Act (Settlement Act) to become enforceable and causes waivers and releases of claims executed pursuant to Section 3407 of the Settlement Act to take effect.

DATES: This notice takes effect on October 1, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Address all comments and requests for additional information to Douglas Garcia, Chair, Pechanga Settlement Implementation Team, Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Pacific Regional Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95685, (916) 978–6052, Douglas.Garcia@bia.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Congress enacted the Settlement Act as Title III, Subtitle D of the Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act, Public Law 114-322. The Settlement Act was enacted to resolve the water right claims of the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Mission Indians (Pechanga Band) subject to an adjudication in the U.S. District Court (Adjudication Court) in United States v. Fallbrook Public Utility District, et al., Case No. 51-01247-GPC-RBB (S.D. Cal.). The Settlement Parties include the Pechanga Band, Rancho California Water District, and the United States. The Eastern Municipal Water District and Metropolitan Water District of Southern California are parties to various sub-agreements to the Pechanga Settlement Agreement (Settlement Agreement).

The Settlement Act and Settlement Agreement quantify and define the Pechanga Band's rights to water, including surface and groundwater within the Santa Margarita River watershed, that will be satisfied with local groundwater, imported recycled water, and imported potable water. The Settlement Agreement and various subagreements include the arrangements and infrastructure necessary to make this water available to the Pechanga Band. The United States contributed funding for imported water and infrastructure development.

Statement of Findings

In accordance with Section 3407(e) of the Settlement Act, I find as follows:

(1) The Adjudication Court has issued a judgment and decree approving the conformed Settlement Agreement consistent with the Settlement Act;

- (2) All amounts authorized by the Settlement Act have been deposited into the Pechanga Settlement Fund;
- (3) The waivers and releases authorized in Section 3407(a) of the Settlement Act have been executed by the Pechanga Band and the Secretary;
- (4) The Extension of Service Area Agreement (ESAA) has been executed by the parties to that agreement and takes effect and is enforceable in accordance with its terms; and
- (5) The ESAA Water Delivery Agreement has been executed by the parties to that agreement and takes effect and is enforceable in accordance with its terms.

Dated: September 22, 2020.

David L. Bernhardt,

Secretary of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill, Louisiana Trustee Implementation Group; Final Phase 2 Restoration Plan #1.2 and Environmental Assessment: Barataria Basin Ridge and Marsh Creation Project, Spanish Pass Increment and Lake Borgne Marsh Creation Project Increment One; and Finding of No Significant Impact

AGENCY: Department of the Interior. **ACTION:** Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (OPA), the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), the Final Programmatic Damage Assessment Restoration Plan/ Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (PDARP/PEIS), and the Consent Decree, the Federal and State natural resource trustee agencies for the Louisiana Trustee Implementation Group (LA TIG) have prepared a Louisiana Trustee Implementation Group Final Restoration Plan/Environmental Assessment #1.2: Barataria Basin Ridge and Marsh Creation Project Spanish Pass Increment and Lake Borgne Marsh Creation Project Increment One (Phase 2) RP/EA #1.2), and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI). The Phase 2 RP/EA #1.2 approves construction activities for the restoration of wetlands, coastal, and nearshore habitats injured in the Louisiana Restoration Area as a result of the Deepwater Horizon (DWH) oil spill. The Phase 2 RP/EA #1.2 analyzes restoration project design