

The applicant requests a permit to remove and reduce to possession specimens of *Eriogonum ovalifolium* var. *williamsiae* (Steamboat buckwheat) in conjunction with genetic and pollination research on Federal lands in Washoe County, Nevada for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No: 831910.

Applicant: Michael San Miguel, Arcadia, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, locate and monitor nests) the least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*), south western willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), and coastal California gnatcatcher (*Polioptila californica californica*) in conjunction with population monitoring and removal of brown-headed cowbird (*Molothrus ater*) eggs and chicks from parasitized nests of these species throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No: 787392.

Applicant: San Bernardino County Museum, Redlands, California.

The applicant requests an amendment of his permit to take (harass by survey, locate and monitor nests, capture, band, color-band, and release) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in conjunction with life history studies and population monitoring to include the following locations: the Virgin River, Nevada, and the Lower Colorado River, including the Lake Mead National Recreation area south to Yuma, Arizona for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No: 832200.

Applicant: Felix A. H. Sperling, University of California, Berkeley, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (collect and sacrifice) 20 male Lange's metalmark butterflies (*Apodemia mormo langei*) in conjunction with genetic research at Antioch Dunes National Wildlife Refuge, Contra Costa County, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No: 796271.

Applicant: Shana C. Dodd, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to her permit to take (harass by survey) the Pacific pocket mouse (*Perognathus longimembris pacificus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and population monitoring in Orange, Los Angeles, and San Diego Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No: 832262.

Applicant: Department of Parks and Recreation, San Luis Obispo, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the Morro shoulderband (= banded dune) snail (*Helminthoglypta walkeriana*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and ecological research in Montana de Oro and Morro Bay State Parks, San Luis Obispo County, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No: 789266.

Applicant: Patricia A. Campbell, Murrieta, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to her permit to take (harass by survey, locate and monitor nests, capture, band, color-band, and release) the California least tern (*Sterna antillarum browni*) in conjunction with population monitoring in Orange, Los Angeles, Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No: 768251.

Applicant: Mark L. Allaback, Biosearch Surveys, Santa Cruz, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey, capture, measure, and release) the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander (*Ambystoma macrodactylum croceum*) in conjunction with scientific research in Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No: 832515.

Applicant: Jim Jennings, Glendale, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, locate and monitor nests) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*), and coastal California gnatcatcher (*Polioptila californica*) in conjunction with population monitoring and removal of brown-headed cowbird (*Molothrus ater*) eggs and chicks from parasitized nests of these species throughout the species range for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No: 787376.

Applicant: Peter Bloom, Santa Ana, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey, locate and monitor nests, capture, band, color-band, and release) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*), and coastal California gnatcatcher (*Polioptila californica*) in conjunction with population monitoring and removal of brown-headed cowbird (*Molothrus ater*)

eggs and chicks from parasitized nests of these species throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No: 832579.

Applicant: Michael L. Johnson, University of California, Davis, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, mark, measure, and release) the salt marsh harvest mouse (*Reithrodontomys raviventris*) in conjunction with ecological research throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

DATES: Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before September 8, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Division of Consultation and Conservation Planning, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181; FAX: 503-231-6243.

Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments, including names and addresses, received will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above; telephone: 503-231-2063. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

Dated: August 1, 1997.

Thomas J. Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Receipt of Petition for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

This is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of

the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Pursuant to 25 CFR 83.9(a) notice is hereby given that the Point Au Chien Indian Tribe, Lower Hwy. 665 Box 1408, Montegut, Louisiana 70377 has filed a letter of intent to be considered for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. This letter was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on July 22, 1996, and was signed by members of the group's governing body.

The petitioner, the Point Au Chien Indian Tribe (PACIT) was part of the United Houma Nation (UHN, #56), which received a proposed finding December 22, 1994. 62 **Federal Register** 8982. The proposed finding, stated that the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs proposed to decline to acknowledge the UHN in that they did not meet all seven mandatory criteria under 25 CFR part 83. In response, this portion of the UHN has requested that it be considered separately from UHN.

The PACIT shall be treated as a separate petitioner from July 22, 1996, forward, with the same proposed finding as UHN. This is a notice that the petition is under active consideration. Notice that the petitioner has separated from the UHN will be sent by mail to the Governor of Louisiana, the Attorney General of Louisiana, the UHN, and other interested parties. The public comment period on the UHN proposed finding ended November 13, 1996. Under 83.9(a) of the regulations, PACIT and interested or informed parties have until 90 days from publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** to submit factual and/or legal arguments in support of or in opposition to the proposed finding as it pertains to PACIT. Comments must be provided simultaneously to the petitioner by the interested or informed parties. Under 83.10(h) a copy of the technical report evaluating the evidence upon which the proposed finding was based is available upon written request to the BIA. After the close of this response period, the BIA will issue an amended proposed finding, which will be published in the **Federal Register**.

Under Section 83.10(i) of the regulations, the PACIT and interested or informed third parties will be provided 180 days from the date of publication of the amended proposed finding pertaining to the Point au Chien Indian Tribe in the **Federal Register** to submit factual and/or legal arguments in support of or in opposition to the group's amended proposed finding. The petitioner will have a 60-day period in which to respond to such submissions

prior to a final determination regarding the petitioner's status.

The petition may be examined, by appointment, in the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Acknowledgment and Research, Room 3427, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240, Phone: (202) 208-3592.

Dated: July 28, 1997.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[INV-930-1430-01; NVN 55116]

Notice of Realty Action; Termination of Recreation and Public Purposes Act Classification; Churchill County, NV

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This action terminates Recreation and Public Purposes (R&PP) Classification NVN 55116 in its entirety.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Termination of the classification is effective 10 a.m. on September 8, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jo Ann Hufnagle, Bureau of Land Management, Carson City District, 1535 Hot Springs Road, Carson City, Nevada 89706, 702-885-6000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the authority delegated by Appendix 1 of Bureau of Land Management Manual 1203, R&PP Classification NVN 55116 is hereby terminated in its entirety on the following described federal land:

Mount Diablo Meridian, Nevada

T. 16 N., R. 28 E.,

Sec. 12, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$,

N $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

T. 16 N., R. 29 E.,

Sec. 7, Lot 3, NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing 189.99 acres.

The classification made pursuant to the act of June 14, 1926, as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 et seq.), segregated the federal land from all forms of appropriation under the public land laws, including location under the United States mining laws, but not leasing under the mineral leasing laws. The land was previously leased to Churchill County for a motor racing complex. This land is excess to Churchill County's needs and the

classification no longer serves any purpose.

At 10 a.m. on September 8, 1997, the land will become open to the operation of the public land laws including the mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of an existing reclamation withdrawal and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 10 a.m. on September 8, 1997 shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

Dated: July 30, 1997.

Clifford D. Ligons,

Assistant District Manager, Non-Renewable Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Glen Canyon Adaptive Management Work Group

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meetings.

SUMMARY: The first meeting of the Glen Canyon Dam Adaptive Management Work Group (AMWG) will be an open public meeting to discuss administrative and program related issues. This meeting will discuss the following agenda items: Work Group organization, technical work group formation, annual reporting and coordination with the Annual Operating Plan for the Colorado River, and updates on the Glen Canyon Dam temperature control device. Monitoring and Research Center report, endangered species, cultural resources, and hydrology in the basin.

DATE AND LOCATION: The public meetings will be held at the following times and location:

Phoenix, Arizona—Wednesday, September 10, 1997, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Thursday, September 11, 1997, from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Ramada Suites Hotel, 1635 North Scottsdale Road, Phoenix, Arizona.

Anyone wishing to make formal oral comments (limited to 10 minutes) at the meeting must provide written notice to Mr. Steven Lloyd, Bureau of Reclamation, Upper Colorado Regional Office, 125 South State Street, Room 6107, Salt Lake City, Utah 84138-1102 no later than noon (eastern standard time) on Friday, September 5, 1997, telephone (801) 524-3690, faxogram (801) 524-5499; or E-mail: