

The 19 taxa included in this addendum grow mostly in the northern and northwestern portions of Kauai, and grow in a variety of vegetation communities (shrublands, forests, and mixed communities), elevational zones (lowland to montane), and moisture regimes (dry to wet). Only one species, *Pritchardia napaliensis*, is found in lowland dry communities. These taxa and their habitats have been variously affected or are currently threatened by one or more of the following: competition for space, light, water, and nutrients by introduced vegetation; habitat degradation by feral or domestic animals (axis deer, goats, pigs, sheep, and cattle); erosion of substrate produced by hurricane, weathering, human- or animal-caused disturbance; and predation by animals (goats, rats, and slugs). In addition, due to the small number of existing individuals and their very narrow distributions, these taxa and most of their populations are subject to an increased likelihood of extinction and/or reduced reproductive vigor from stochastic events.

The objective of the Addendum to the Recovery Plan for the Kauai Plant Cluster (USFWS 1995) is to provide a framework for the recovery of these 19 taxa so that their protection by the Endangered Species Act (ESA) is no longer necessary. The interim objective is to stabilize all existing populations of the Kauai II taxa. To be considered stable, each taxon must be managed to control threats (e.g., fenced) and be represented in an *ex situ* (such as a nursery or arboretum) collection. In addition, a minimum total of three populations of each taxon should be documented on Kauai, where they now occur or occurred historically. Each of these populations must be naturally reproducing and increasing in number, with a minimum of 25 mature individuals per population for long-lived perennials (*Hibiscadelphus woodii*, *Hibiscus waimeae* ssp. *hannerae*, *Kokia kauaiensis*, *Labordia tinifolia* var. *wahiawaensis*, *Myrsine linearifolia*, *Pritchardia napaliensis*, *Pritchardia viscosa*) and a minimum of 50 mature individuals per population for short-lived perennials (*Alsinidendron lychnoides*, *Alsinidendron viscosum*, *Cyanea recta*, *Cyanea remyi*, *Cyrtandra cyaneoides*, *Delissea rivularis*, *Phyllostegia knudsenii*, *Phyllostegia wawrana*, *Schiedea helleri*, *Schiedea membranacea*, *Schiedea stellarioides*, *Viola kauaiensis* var. *wahiawaensis*). For downlisting, a total of five to seven populations of each taxon should be documented on Kauai where they now

occur or occurred historically. Each of these populations must be naturally reproducing, stable or increasing in number, and secure from threats, with a minimum of 100 mature individuals per population for long-lived perennials and a minimum of 300 mature individuals per population for short-lived perennials. Each population should persist at this level for a minimum of 5 consecutive years before downlisting is considered. For delisting, a total of 8 to 10 populations of each taxon should be documented on Kauai where they now occur or occurred historically. Each of these populations must be naturally reproducing, stable or increasing in number, and secure from threats, with a minimum of 100 mature individuals per population for long-lived perennials and a minimum of 300 mature individuals per population for short-lived perennials. Each population should persist at this level for a minimum of 5 consecutive years.

Public Comments Solicited

The Service solicits written comments on the Addendum to the Recovery Plan described. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered prior to approval of this addendum.

Authority

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

Dated: July 28, 1997.

Thomas J. Dwyer,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability of a Draft Recovery Plan for the Pedate Checkermallow (*Sidalcea Pedata*) and the Slender-Petaled Mustard (*Thelypodium Stenopetalum*) for Review and Comment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service announces the availability for public review of a draft recovery plan for two plant species endemic to montane meadow habitat in the San Bernardino Mountains of southern California. Both *Sidalcea pedata* (Pedate Checkermallow) and *Thelypodium stenopetalum* (Slender-petaled Mustard)

were listed by the Service as endangered on August 31, 1984 (49 FR 34500). In addition, each species was listed as endangered by the State of California (California Department of Fish and Game) in 1989.

The Service solicits review and comment from the public on this plan. **DATES:** Comments on the draft recovery plan received by October 20, 1997 will be considered by the Service.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the draft recovery plan may obtain a copy by contacting the Field Supervisor at the following address: Carlsbad Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2730 Loker Avenue West, Carlsbad, California 92008. Telephone requests may be made by calling 619/431-9440. Comments and material received are available for public inspection by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Krofta at the above address and telephone number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Restoring an endangered or threatened animal or plant to the point where it is again a secure, self-sustaining member of its ecosystem is a primary goal of the Fish and Wildlife Service. To help guide the recovery effort, the Service is working to prepare recovery plans for most of the listed species native to the United States. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for conservation of the species. Plans also establish criteria for the recovery levels necessary for downlisting or delisting the species. They also provide an estimation of time and cost of implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as Amended (U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) (Act) requires the development of recovery plans for listed species, unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act, as amended in 1988, requires that public notice, to provide an opportunity for public review and comment, be given during plan development. The Service will consider all significant information presented during a public comment period prior to the approval of each new or revised Recovery Plan. The Service and other Federal agencies also will take these comments into account in the course of implementing approved recovery plans.

Both plant species addressed in the draft recovery plan are endemic to the Big Bear Valley region of the San

Bernardino Mountains, San Bernardino County, California. Each species occurs on Federal, State, and private lands. *Sidalcea pedata* is a several stemmed perennial 2–4 decimeters tall and *Thelypodium stenopetalum* is a simple-stemmed biennial 3–8 decimeters tall. The plant species occur as components in moist to wet montane meadow habitat associated with swales, drainages and the shores of Big Bear and Baldwin Lakes. Although commercial and residential development is considered the primary threat to the two species, changes in surface hydrology, recreational activities and livestock grazing also threaten these species. Protection and management of the species' habitat are the primary goals of the recovery effort.

Public Comments Solicited

The Service solicits written comments on the recovery plan described. All significant comments received by the date specified above will be considered prior to the approval of the plan.

Authority

The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1533(f)).

Dated: August 15, 1997.

David L. McMullen,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The September 11, 1997 meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the BLM Montrose District Office, 2465 South Townsend, Montrose, Colorado. The agenda will include introductions of new members, a presentation on BLM's budget process, an update on the activities of other RACs, and discussions on the Gunnison Gorge Fee Pilot, management of wilderness study areas, and the possibility of an all-Colorado RAC meeting. Time will be provided for public comments.

All Resource Advisory Council meetings are open to the public. Interested persons may make oral statements to the Council, or written statements may be submitted for the Council's consideration. If necessary, a per-person time limit may be established by the Montrose District Manager.

Summary minutes for Council meetings are maintained in the Montrose District Office and on the World Wide Web at http://www.co.blm.gov/mdo/mdo_sw_rac.htm and are available for public inspection and reproduction within thirty (30) days following each meeting.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

Mark W. Stiles,

District Manager.

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council meeting will have a time allocated for hearing public comments. The public comment period for the council meeting is listed below. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment, and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need further information about the meetings, or need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Debra Kovar at the Shoshone Resource Area Office, P. O. Box 2–B, Shoshone, ID, 83352, (208) 886–7201.

DATE AND TIME: Date is September 11, 1997, starts at 9:00 a.m. at the Snake River Resource Area Office at 15 East 200 South, Burley, Idaho. Public comments received from 10:00 to 10:30 a.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the council is to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with the management of the public lands.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Debra Kovar, Shoshone Resource Area Office, P. O. Box 2–B, Shoshone, ID 83352, (208) 886–7201.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

Howard Hedrick,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO–030–07–1820–00–1784]

Southwest Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; Resource Advisory Council meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 USC), notice is hereby given that the Southwest Resource Advisory Council (Southwest RAC) will meet on Thursday, September 11, 1997, at the BLM Montrose District Office in Montrose, Colorado.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, September 11, 1997.

ADDRESSES: For additional information, contact Roger Alexander, Bureau of Land Management, Montrose District Office, 2465 South Townsend Avenue, Montrose, Colorado 81401; telephone

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[ID–990–1020–01]

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Resource Advisory Council meeting location and time.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), 5 U.S.C., the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) council meeting of the Upper Snake River Districts Resource Advisory Council will be held as indicated below. The agenda includes the review of the UCRB–EIS and implementation of the healthy rangeland standard and guidelines. All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the council. Each formal

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY–921–41–5700; WYW135939]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

Pursuant to the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188 (d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2–3 (a) and (b)(1), a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease WYW135939 for lands in Washakie County, Wyoming, was timely filed and was accompanied by all the required rentals accruing from the date of termination.

The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$5.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16⅔ percent, respectively.

The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$125 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral