

L09—Masonboro Island. The spit on the north side of Masonboro Inlet has prograded outside of the unit. The unit boundary has been adjusted to include all of the undeveloped portion of the spit and associated aquatic habitat.

*Florida*

P16—Keewaydin Island. A substantial shoal has developed outside of the unit at the mouth of Big Marco Pass. The boundary has been adjusted to include this sand-sharing area.

P17—Lovers Key Complex. A barrier is developing outside of the unit on the north side of Big Carlos Pass. The unit boundary has been adjusted to include this area.

FL-89—Peninsula Point. The peninsula is prograding to the north across the mouth of Alligator Harbor. The unit has been expanded to include all of the peninsula and the associated aquatic habitat.

FL-99—Tom King. The spit has accreted to the north of the unit. The unit boundary has been adjusted to include all of the spit and associated aquatic habitat.

FL-101—Garcon Point. The secondary barrier has expanded northward on the East Bay side of the unit. The unit has been expanded to include the barrier and the associated aquatic habitat.

*Alabama*

Q01A—Pelican Island. The island is prograding across Pelican Passage toward Dauphin Island. The boundary has been adjusted to include all of Pelican Island, the secondary barrier developing on Dauphin Island behind Pelican Island, and all associated aquatic habitat.

*U.S. Virgin Islands*

VI-07—Great Pond. The barrier has expanded to the south of Great Pond. The unit has been expanded to include the barrier and associated aquatic habitat.

APPENDIX—LOCATION OF MAPS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	States of jurisdiction
<b>Regional Offices</b>	
Regional Director, Region 4, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 75 Spring St. SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303, (404) 331-3580.	North Carolina, Florida, Alabama, Virgin Islands. Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia.
Regional Director, Region 5, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, Massachusetts 01035-9589, (413) 253-8200.	
<b>Field Offices</b>	
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 22 Bridge St., Concord, NH 03301-4986, (603) 225-1411 .....	Maine, Massachusetts, Rhode Island.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 3817 Luker Road, Cortland, NY 13045, (607) 753-9334 .....	New York.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 927 N. Main St., Bldg. D-1, Pleasantville, NJ, 08232, (609) 646-0620.	New Jersey.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 177 Admiral Cochrane Dr., Annapolis, MD, 21401, (410) 573-4500.	Maryland.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mid County Center, U.S. Route 17, White Marsh, VA 23183, (804) 693-6694.	Virginia.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 551-F Pylon Dr., Raleigh, NC 27636-3726, (919) 856-4520 .....	North Carolina.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1360 U.S. Highway 1, Vero Beach, FL 32961, (407) 562-3909 ....	Florida: Lee & Collier Counties.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1612 June Ave., Panama City, FL 32405-3721, (904) 769-0552 ..	Florida: Franklin & Santa Rosa Counties.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2001 Highway 98, Daphne, AL 36526, (334) 441-5181 .....	Alabama.
Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 491, Boqueron, PR 00622, (809) 851-7297 .....	U.S. Virgin Islands.

Dated: January 28, 1997.  
 John G. Rogers,  
*Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.*  
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**Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.  
**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications.

**SUMMARY:** The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain recovery-related activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

Permit No. 821962  
*Applicant:* Mark E. Angelos, Torrance, California  
 The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, capture and release, collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Brachinecta sandiegonensis*) in Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Diego Counties, California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and aquatic insect research for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 821401  
*Applicant:* Brian Daniels, Long Beach, California.  
 The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) throughout its range in

California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado in conjunction with presence or absence surveys for the purpose of enhancing its survival.  
 Permit No. 821404  
*Applicant:* Douglas R. Willick, Anaheim, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) throughout its range in California, Nevada, Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, and Colorado in conjunction with presence or absence surveys for the purpose of enhancing its survival.  
 Permit No. 795934  
*Applicant:* Jones and Stokes, Sacramento, California.  
 The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey);

capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 795938

*Applicant:* EIP Associates, Sacramento, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 782274

*Applicant:* Michael Brandman Associates, Sacramento, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 787037

*Applicant:* Branchiopod Research Group, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to her permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 797665

*Applicant:* Regional Environmental Consultants, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 812792

*Applicant:* Julie Vanderwier, Encinitas, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to her permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher

specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 796288

*Applicant:* California Department of Transportation, Sacramento, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 797999

*Applicant:* Merkel & Associates, Inc., San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 797930

*Applicant:* Brent Paul Helm, Sacramento, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 785148

*Applicant:* Ogden Environmental and Energy Services, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 778195

*Applicant:* Sweetwater Environmental Biologists, Inc., San Diego, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the

San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 797234

*Applicant:* LSA Associates, Inc., Point Richmond, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture and release; collect voucher specimens) the San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 702631

*Applicant:* Assistant Regional Director—Ecological Services, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon.

The applicant requests amendment of his permit to allow take of the following species: Mount Hermon June beetle (*Polyphylla barbata*), quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*), Zayante band-winged grasshopper (*Trimerotropis infantilis*), San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*), and Laguna Mountains skipper (*Pyrgus ruralis lagunae*). Authorization to remove and reduce to possession specimens of the following plant species is also requested: *Astragalus brauntonii* (Braunton's milk-vetch), *Pentachaeta lyonii* (Lyon's pentachaeta), and *Pseudobahia bahiifolia* (Hartweg's golden sunburst). Take and collection activities will be conducted throughout the range of species in conjunction with recovery efforts in order to enhance their propagation and survival.

**DATES:** Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before March 26, 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 30 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: February 13, 1997.

Thomas J. Dwyer,

*Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.*

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## Geological Survey

### Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC); Public Review of the "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery", and the "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data"

**ACTION:** Notice; Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The FGDC is sponsoring a public review of the draft "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery", and the draft "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data" to be considered for adoption as FGDC standards. If adopted, the standards must be followed by all Federal agencies for digital orthoimage and elevation data collected directly or indirectly, through grants, partnerships, or contracts.

In its assigned leadership role for developing the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), the FGDC recognizes that the standards must also meet the needs and recognize the views of State and local governments, academia, industry, and the public. The purpose of this notice is to solicit such views. The FGDC invites the community to review, test, and evaluate the proposed standards. Comments are encouraged about the content, completeness, applicability, and usability of the proposed standard.

The FGDC anticipates that the proposed standards will be adopted as Federal Geographic Data Committee standards after updating or revision. The standards may be forwarded to voluntary standards bodies for adoption if interest warrants such actions.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before July 25, 1997.

**CONTACT AND ADDRESSES:** Requests for written copies of the "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery" and the "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data" should be addressed to "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery Review", and/or "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data

Review", the FGDC Secretariat (attn: Jennifer Fox), U.S. Geological Survey, 590 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia, 22092; telephone 703-648-5514; facsimile 703-648-5755; or Internet "gdc@usgs.gov." The standards may be downloaded from the following Internet address:

ftp://www.fgdc.gov/pub/standards/DigOrtho/.

ftp://www.fgdc.gov/pub/standards/DigElev/.

Reviewer comments may be sent to the FGDC Secretariat at the above address. Please send one hardcopy version of the comments and a soft copy version, preferably on a 3.5x3.5 diskette in WordPerfect 5.0 or 6.0/6.1 format. Comments may also be sent via Internet mail. Send comments on the "Content Standards for Digital Orthoimagery" to: gdc-doi@www.fgdc.gov. Send comments on the "Content Standards for Digital Elevation Data Review" to: gdc-ded@www.fgdc.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The objective of these standards is to define the digital orthoimage and elevation themes of the digital geospatial data framework as envisioned by the FGDC. It is the intent of these standards to set a common baseline that will ensure the widest utility of digital orthoimagery and elevation data for the user and producer communities through enhanced data sharing and the reduction of redundant data production. The framework will provide a base on which to collect, register, and integrate digital geospatial information accurately. Digital orthoimagery and elevation data are both parts of this basic set of data described as framework. These standards are intended to facilitate the interchange and use of digital orthoimage and elevation data under the framework concept. These standards describe quality control, testing, processing, accuracy, reporting, and applications considerations for digital orthoimagery and elevation data.

Dated: February 12, 1997.

Richard E. Witmer,

*Acting Chief, National Mapping Division.*

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## Bureau of Land Management

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### Intent of Seasonal Road Closure; Caprock Wildlife Habitat Area, Mescalero Sands, NM

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent of Seasonal Road Closure within the Caprock Wildlife Habitat Area at Mescalero Sands.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to 43 CFR Part 8364, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will annually close a BLM-maintained road designated as Mathers TT329 to public access at State Highway 380 from March 1 through June 1. This period may be extended earlier or later, or with additional closure periods imposed during the year, for Lesser prairie chicken research needs.

**DATE:** This action is effective March 1, 1997, and will remain in effect until the cessation of Lesser prairie chicken studies projected through the year 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Maps showing the location of the access point from State Highway 380 that will be closed will be available at the BLM District Office, 2909 West 2nd Street, Roswell, New Mexico.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** T.R. Kreager, Area Manager, Roswell Resource Area, 2909 West 2nd Street, Roswell, New Mexico 88201-2019, Telephone (505) 627-0272.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Approximately six miles of caliche-surfaced road maintained by the BLM will be seasonally closed to the general public by the physical restriction of access from State Highway 380 at the following location:

New Mexico Principal Meridian

Caprock Wildlife Habitat Area, Mescalero Sands

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The access point is at State Highway 380, across from the Waldrop Rest Area (Mile Marker 196), approximately forty-two miles east of Roswell, New Mexico. The area restricted to public access is north of the highway.

This temporary road and are closure will be in effect annually from March 1, 1997, until the cessation of Lesser prairie chicken studies in the year 2001. The purpose of the closure is to restrict currently open public access into important Lesser prairie chicken habitat targeted for long-term ecological studies. Specifically, to prevent disturbance to prairie chicken booming grounds (leks) and trapping efforts at the grounds for