

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee; Cancellation of Meeting

Notice is hereby given of the cancellation of the Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee, January 7, 1999, 5:50 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Hyatt Regency Bethesda, One Bethesda Metro Center, Bethesda, Maryland 20814, which was published in the **Federal Register** on December 22, 1998, 63 FR 70789.

The meeting was canceled due to lack of agenda items.

Dated: January 6, 1999.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, National Institutes of Health.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### Clinical Center; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Board of Governors of the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center.

The meeting will be open to the public as indicated below, with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should notify the Contact Person listed below in advance of the meeting.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in section 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., to discuss the performance of the Director, Clinical Center, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* Board of Governors of the Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center.

*Date:* January 29, 1999.

*Open:* 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

*Agenda:* For discussion of program policies and issues.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center Medical Board Room, 2C116, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Closed:* 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate the performance of the Director, Clinical Center.

*Place:* National Institutes of Health, Clinical Center Medical Board Room, 2C116, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Contact Person:* Maureen E. Gormley, Executive Secretary, Warren Grant Magnuson Clinical Center, National Institutes of Health, Building 10, Room 2C146, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301/496-2897.

Dated: January 5, 1999.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants: Notice of Availability and Opening of Comment Period for an Application for Incidental Take Permit to Allow Take of an Endangered Species by the Town of Rome, Adams County, Wisconsin, and National Environmental Policy Act Determination

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) provides notice of the availability of a Habitat Conservation Plan/Incidental Take Permit Application from the Town of Rome, Adams County, Wisconsin, and the Service's National Environmental Policy Act Determination for the proposed action of permit issuance. The Applicant proposes to reconstruct approximately 4.25 miles of an existing roadway (Badger Avenue) which includes construction work in the associated road rights-of-way. An approximately 2.5-mile segment of the roadway project area includes patches of habitat occupied by the endangered Karner blue butterfly (*Lycaeides melissa samuelis*). Construction activities that may impact the Karner blue butterfly include clearing, grubbing, and grading operations. Post construction right-of-way mowing may also result in the take of the Karner blue butterfly. The applicant has prepared a Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for the project area which includes measures to minimize, mitigate and monitor impacts to the butterfly and its habitat. Due to the nature of the proposed action, the Service proposes to issue a permit for a period of 20 years to include the limited take of occupied habitat for the road construction project and subsequent mowing program, compensation for take through appropriate minimization and mitigation measures, and implementation of a post-construction monitoring program to assure the success of the minimization and mitigation measures. The HCP and Incidental Take Permit Application are available for public review and

comment for a period of 30 days. All comments received, including commentors names and addresses, will become part of the Service's Administrative Record and may be made available to the public.

**DATES:** Written comments on the Habitat Conservation Plan/Incidental Take Permit Application and the Service's NEPA Determination should be received on or before February 11, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Persons wishing to review the application and associated documents may obtain copies by writing to the Regional HCP/NEPA Coordinator, Fish and Wildlife Service, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056. Documents will be available for public inspection by appointment only, during normal business hours (8:00-4:30), at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota, (612-713-5350) and at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1015 Challenger Court, Green Bay, Wisconsin (920-465-7440). Written comments should be submitted to the Regional HCP/NEPA Coordinator at the address listed above or via FAX at 612-713-5292. Please refer to permit number TE006295 when submitting comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:** Ms. Lisa Mandell, Regional HCP/NEPA Coordinator, at (612) 713-5350.

Dated: January 5, 1999.

**Charles M. Wooley,**

*Program Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Receipt of Petitions for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

This notice 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 following groups have each filed a letter of intent to petition for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. Each letter of intent was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on the date indicated, and was signed by members of the group's governing body.

Pokanoket/Wampanoag Federation/  
Wampanoag Nation/Pokanoket Tribe/  
And Bands, c/o Bernice Young, 77  
Aquarius Drive, Warwick, Rhode  
Island 02889. January 5, 1998.

Montaukett Tribe of Long Island, c/o  
Robert D. Cooper, P.O. Box 126,  
Austin Drive, East Hampton, New  
York 11937-0126. March 16, 1998.

Comanche Penateka Tribe, c/o George  
H. Salazar, 80 Lyerly, #82, Houston,  
Texas 77022. April 3, 1998.

Western Arkansas Cherokee Tribe, c/o  
Paul Thomas Vickers, P.O. Box 1131,  
Midway, Arkansas 72653. April 7,  
1998.

Calusa-Seminole Indian Nation, c/o  
Wayne Bowen, 343 Soquel Avenue  
#93, Santa Cruz, California 95062.  
April 28, 1998.

Western Cherokee Nation of Arkansas  
and Missouri, c/o Lola Smith Scholl,  
Hwy. 351, Paragould, Arkansas 72450.  
May 1, 1998.

Cherokee Nation West—Southern Band  
of the Eastern Cherokee Indians of  
Arkansas & Missouri, c/o Lee R.  
Brodie, 1611 Cherokee Avenue, P.O.  
Box 918, Seneca, Missouri 64865.  
May 11, 1998.

The Displaced Elem Lineage  
Emancipated Members Alliance  
(DELEMA), c/o Richard J. Steward,  
3357 Hoen Avenue, Santa Rosa,  
California 95405. May 11, 1998.

Tribal Council of the Carrizo/  
Comecrudo Nation of Texas, c/o Juan  
B. Macias, 5319 East 6th Street,  
Lubbock, Texas 79403. July 6, 1998.

Southern Pequot Tribe, c/o Ransford L.  
Collins, 97 Fog Plain Road, Waterford,  
Connecticut 06385. July 7, 1998

Shawnee Nation, Ohio Blue Creek Band  
of Adams County, c/o Cora Tula  
Watters, 696 Black's Run Road, Lynx,  
Ohio 45650. August 5, 1998.

Konkow Valley Band of Maidu, c/o  
Alfred E. Clark, 360B Grand Avenue,  
Oroville, California 95965. August 11,  
1998.

Piedmont American Indian Association,  
c/o Howard E. (Gene) Norris, 411  
Tebblewood Drive, Simpsonville,  
South Carolina 29680. August 20,  
1998

Mississippi Band of Chickasaw Indians,  
c/o David Tomby, P.O. Box 3251,  
Jackson, Mississippi 39207.  
September 15, 1998.

Seaconke Wampanoag Tribe, c/o  
Wilfred Greene, 347C Mishnock Road,  
Greenwich, Rhode Island 02817.  
October 29, 1998.

Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians of  
California, c/o Susan Frank, P.O. Box  
3022, Beaumont, California 92223.  
November 3, 1998.

T'si-akim Maidu, c/o Donald E. Ryberg,  
P.O. Box 3951, Quincy, California  
95972. November 16, 1998.

This is a notice of receipt of these  
letters of intent to petition and does not  
constitute notice that the petitions are  
under active consideration. Notice of  
active consideration will be sent by mail  
to the petitioner and other interested  
parties at the appropriate time.

Under Section 83.9(a) of the Federal  
regulations, third parties may submit  
factual and/or legal arguments in  
support of or in opposition to each  
group's petition and may request to be  
kept informed of all general actions  
affecting the petition. Third parties  
should provide copies of their  
submissions to the petitioner. Any  
information submitted will be made  
available on the same basis as other  
information in the BIA's files. The  
petitioner will be provided an  
opportunity to respond to such  
submissions prior to a final  
determination regarding the petitioner's  
status.

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

Dated: December 28, 1998.

**Kevin Gover,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[MT-951-99-1020-00]

**Call for Nominations for Butte  
Resource Advisory Council**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is  
to solicit public nominations for a  
vacant Category 3 position on the Butte  
Resource Advisory Council (RAC).  
Category 3 is made up of individuals  
who are representatives of state, county  
and local government; Native American  
tribes; academicians involved in natural  
sciences; and the public at large. The  
term of the position will expire in  
September 1999.

The RACs provide advice and  
recommendations to the Bureau of Land  
Management (BLM) on land use  
planning and management of public  
lands within their geographic areas.

Public nominations will be  
considered for 45 days after the

publication of this notice. Individuals  
may nominate themselves or others;  
nominees must be residents of Montana.  
Nominees will be evaluated based on  
their education, training, and  
experience on the issues and knowledge  
of the geographical area covered by the  
Butte RAC. Nominees should have  
demonstrated a commitment to  
collaborative resource decision-making.

All nominations must be  
accompanied by letters of reference  
from represented interests or  
organizations, a completed background  
information nomination form, and any  
other information that speaks to the  
nominee's qualifications.

**DATE:** All nominations must be received  
by the BLM Butte Field Office no later  
than February 26, 1999.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jeanne Sullivan, BLM Butte Field  
Office, 106 North Parkmont, PO Box  
3388, Butte, Montana 59701; telephone  
406-494-5059.

Dated: December 30, 1998.

**Bill Weatherly,**

*Acting Field Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[DES-98-57]

**Notice of Availability of Draft  
Environmental Impact Statement**

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that  
the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)  
has prepared a Draft Environmental  
Impact Statement (EIS) for the Colorado  
Sodium Products Development Project  
(Project), located in Rio Blanco County  
and Garfield County, Colorado.

**DATES:** In accordance with the National  
Environmental Policy Act, the BLM will  
conduct public meetings to solicit  
comments on this draft EIS. These  
public meetings will be held in two  
locations:

1. Bureau of Land Management, White  
River Resource Area Office, 73544  
Highway 64, Meeker, Colorado, on  
February 10, 1999, at 7:00 PM.

2. Town Hall Council Chambers, 222  
Grand Valley Way, Parachute, Colorado,  
on February 11, 1999 at 7:00 PM.

Written comments and  
recommendations on this Draft EIS  
should be received on or before March  
9, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Address all comments  
concerning this notice to Mr. Larry