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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On the dates below, as authorized by the provisions of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), as amended, and/or the MMPA, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), we issued requested permits subject to certain conditions set forth therein. For each permit for an endangered species,

we found that (1) the application was filed in good faith, (2) The granted permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) The granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

#### ENDANGERED SPECIES

Permit number	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
57926A .....	Zoological Society of San Diego .....	77 FR 6139; February 7, 2012 .....	May 24, 2012.
66555A .....	James McNicol .....	77 FR 15383; March 15, 2012 .....	June 28, 2012.
73008A .....	University of South Carolina .....	77 FR 30547; May 23, 2012 .....	July 6, 2012.

#### MARINE MAMMALS

Permit number	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
063561 .....	Edmund Gerstein, Florida Atlantic University ...	77 FR 22604; April 16, 2012 .....	June 28, 2012.

#### Availability of Documents

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 to: Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358-2280.

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offered at [http://www.usgs.gov/start\\_with\\_science](http://www.usgs.gov/start_with_science).

**DATES:** The comment period on questions and drafts has been extended to midnight on September 1, 2012.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Feedback can be offered and additional information accessed at [www.usgs.gov/start\\_with\\_science](http://www.usgs.gov/start_with_science).

Dated: July 12, 2012.

#### Barbara Wainman,

USGS Associate Director for Communications and Publishing.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

##### U.S. Geological Survey

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#### Announcement of the U.S. Geological Survey Science Strategy Planning Feedback Process

**AGENCY:** U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of feedback process.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Geological Survey is creating 10-year strategies for each of its Mission Areas: Climate and Land Use Change, Core Science Systems, Ecosystems, Energy and Minerals, Environmental Health, Natural Hazards, and Water. This process involves gathering input from the public on draft strategy documents. Feedback can be

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

##### Bureau of Indian Affairs

##### Indian Gaming

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Approved Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes an extension of Gaming between the Rosebud Sioux Tribe and the State of South Dakota.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* July 23, 2012.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the **Federal Register** notice of approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. This amendment allows for the extension of the current Tribal-State Compact until August 24, 2012.

Dated: July 17, 2012.

**Donald E. Laverdure,**  
Acting Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Indian Gaming; Correction

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Approved Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact; Correction.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) published a document in the **Federal Register** of July 12, 2012, providing notice that the Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact between the State of California and the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria was approved. That notice incorrectly stated that the approved document was an extension and did not make clear that the document was deemed approved.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* July 12, 2012.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In the **Federal Register** of July 12, 2012, in FR Doc. 2012-17042, make the following corrections:

1. On page 41200, in the first column, replace the phrase in the **ACTION** section with the following phrase: “Notice of Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact taking effect.”

2. On page 41200, in the first column, replace the sentence in the **SUMMARY** section with the following sentence: “This provides notice that the Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact between the State of California and the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria is considered to have been approved and is in effect.”

3. On page 41200, in the second column, replace the sentence “This Compact is considered to have been approved but only to the extent that the Compact is consistent with the provisions of IGRA” with the following two sentences:

“The Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, did not approve or disapprove the compact within 45 days after the date the compact was received. Therefore, pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 2710(d)(8)(C), the Compact is considered to have been approved, but only to the extent that the Compact is consistent with the provisions of IGRA.”

Dated: July 16, 2012.

**Donald E. Laverdure,**  
Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Extension of Temporary Closure to All Public Use on Public Land in Doña Ana County, NM

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Las Cruces District Office, is extending a temporary closure for an additional 2 years to all public use, including casual use, to protect persons, property, and public land and resources, and generally to provide for public safety. Specifically, the extension of the closure is needed to reduce or prevent the opportunity for damage to property, personal injury, or loss of life in the vicinity of the Community Pit No. 1 in Doña Ana County, New Mexico

**DATES:** This closure will be in effective from July 23, 2012 to July 22, 2014. During the closure period, the BLM will mitigate the safety issue in this area through reclamation of the site.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Edward Seum, Lands and Minerals Supervisor, BLM Las Cruces District Office, 1800 Marquess Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005; or by telephone at 575-525-4300. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BLM published its original closure notice in the **Federal Register** on June 28, 2010

(76 FR 36677). The Las Cruces District Office has initiated the development of a reclamation plan to determine how the site will be reclaimed. However, this planning effort, the acquisition of funds, and the reclamation process itself will require additional time to complete.

The temporary closure and restrictions applicable to the closure are as follows:

1. The public land to be closed under this notice is described as:

#### New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 22 S., R. 1 E.,  
Sec. 19, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
S $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  
E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Containing 67.5 acres, more or less.

All public use, including casual use, is prohibited on this 67.5-acre parcel. Casual use is defined as any short-term, non-commercial activity which does not noticeably damage or disturb the public land, resources, or improvements. Closure of this parcel is a consequence of unsafe conditions related to past mining resulting in steep highwalls in excess of 150 feet, abrupt precipices and ledges, and loose unconsolidated walls of rock.

2. This closure does not affect the ability of local, State, or Federal officials in the performance of their duties in the area.

3. This Notice will be posted along the public roads where this closure is in effect.

4. The following persons are exempt from this closure order:

- Federal, State, or local law enforcement officers while acting within the scope of their official duties; and
- Any person who obtains, or currently is in possession of, an authorization or permit from the BLM for use of the land identified in this closure.

Violations of this closure and restrictions are punishable by fines not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 1 year. These actions are taken to protect public health and safety.

The Las Cruces District Office has completed Environmental Assessment (EA) (DOI-BLM-NM-LCDO-2010-0086-EA) to close the pit to public use, evaluating the potential reclamation of the site, and analyzing the hazards to public health and safety until such time as reclamation of the site would be completed, or for 2 years, whichever is later.

Copies of this closure order and maps showing the location are available from the Las Cruces District Office, 1800 Marquess Street, Las Cruces, New Mexico 88005.