DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative Public Outreach

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the public outreach sessions of the U.S. Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (USEITI) candidacy application. By this notice, Interior is providing the public advance notice of the opportunity to comment on the application between September 18, 2013, and November 4, 2013. Comments may be provided in writing or in person at the public outreach sessions or public webinar, or online at www.doi.gov/eiti.

DATES: The public outreach sessions will be from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. local times and webinar 3:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m. local time. Dates and locations are:

Session 1—September 24, 2013, New Orleans, Louisiana Public Outreach, Offices of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management & Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Elmwood Towers, 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Room 125, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123;

Houston, Texas Public Outreach, Houston Firefighters' Relief and Retirement Fund, 4225 Interwood North Parkway, Houston, Texas 77032;

Session 2—October 2, 2013, Public Outreach Webinar, to view presentation via WebEx at http://bit.ly.ZQ9aQP and dial into a moderated conference line at 888-456-0321 (Passcode: EITI);

Session 3—October 10, 2013, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania Public Outreach, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 3 Parkway Center, 2nd Floor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15220;

Session 4—October 22, 2013, Denver, Colorado Public Outreach, Office of Natural Resources Revenue, 6th & Kipling Street Denver Federal Center, Building 85-A, Denver, Colorado 80225; and Anchorage, Alaska, Public Outreach, Offices of Bureau of Ocean Energy Management & Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Centerpoint Financial Center, 3801 Centerpoint Drive, Suite 100, Anchorage, Alaska 99503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rosita Compton Christian, USEITI Secretariat; 1849 C Street NW., MS 4211, Washington DC 20240. You may also contact the USEITI Secretariat via email at useiti@ios.doi.gov, by phone at 202-208-0272 or by fax at 202-513-0682.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Department of the Interior established the USEITI Advisory Committee (Committee) on July 26, 2012, to serve as the initial USEITI multi-stakeholder group. More information about the Committee, including its charter, can be found at www.doi.gov/eiti/faca.

The Public Outreach sessions will share, explain, and obtain public feedback for the MSG on the draft USEITI Candidacy Application which can be found at http://www.doi.gov/eiti/ FACA/sept-meeting.cfm. These sessions will include the EITI candidacy requirements, implementation requirements, and the benefits of implementing EITI in the United States.

We encourage stakeholders and members of the public to participate in the public comment period held from September 15-November 1, 2013, to gather feedback on the draft USEITI Candidacy Application. During the September 15-November 1 public comment period, three public outreach sessions and a public webinar will be held as listed previously in this notice. Further details regarding these sessions will be provided in advance online at www.doi.gov/eiti. The candidacy application and comments about it can be made online at www.doi.gov/eiti.

Background: In September 2011, President Barack Obama announced the United States' commitment to participate in the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative. EITI is a signature initiative of the U.S. National Action Plan for the international Open Government Partnership and offers a voluntary framework for governments and companies to publicly disclose in parallel the revenues paid and received for extraction of oil, gas, and minerals owned by the state. The design of each framework is country-specific and is developed through a multi-year, consensus-based process by a multistakeholder group comprised of government, industry, and civil society representatives.

Dated: September 12, 2013.

Amy Holley,

Chief of Staff—Policy, Management and Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit **Application**

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following application for a recovery permit to conduct activities with the purpose of enhancing the survival of an endangered species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits certain activities with endangered species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing such permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by October 18, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Endangered Species Program Manager, Ecological Services. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colleen Henson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address or by

telephone (503-231-6131) or fax (503-231-6243).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17, the Act provides for certain permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits for endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities (including take or interstate commerce) with respect to U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife

species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Application Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following application. Please refer to the appropriate permit number for the application when submitting comments.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review by request from the Endangered Species Program Manager at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Number: TE-15572B

Applicant: Patricia Baird, Long Beach, California

The applicant requests a new permit to take (collect feathers, eggshell fragments, and viable eggs) the least tern (Sternula antillarum) on the island of Hawaii in conjunction with genetic research for the purpose of identifying the subspecies nesting on the island, determining if it is an endangered subspecies, and enhancing the species' survival.

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will

be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: September 10, 2013.

Hugh Morrison,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R1-ES-2013-N195; FXES11130100000-134-FF01E00000]

Endangered Species; Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have issued the following permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species under the authority of the Endangered Species Act, as amended (Act).

ADDRESSES: Endangered Species Program Manager, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232–4181.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Colleen Henson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address or by telephone (503–231–6131) or fax (503–231–6243).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We have issued the following permits to conduct activities with endangered species in response to recovery and interstate commerce permit applications we received under the authority of section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). These permits were issued between January 1 and June 30, 2013. Each permit listed below was issued only after we determined that it was applied for in good faith; that granting the permit would not be to the disadvantage of the listed species; that the proposed activities were for scientific research or would benefit the recovery or the enhancement of survival of the species. and that the terms and conditions of the permit were consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in the Act.

Applicant name	Permit No.	Date issued	Date expires
Andersen Air Force Base	84876A	1/18/2013	1/17/2017
Cossell, Lori L.	95648A	3/22/2013	3/21/2014
Cowlitz Indian Tribe	98069A	5/13/2013	5/12/2017
Department of Marine And Wildlife Resources; American Samoa	094808	1/25/2013	1/24/2016
Haleakala National Park	014497	4/15/2013	2/11/2016
Hawaii Wildlife Fund	829250	5/15/2013	5/14/2017
Hicks, Tyler Leon	99474A	5/8/2013	5/7/2017
Naval Facilities Engineering Command Pacific	096741	4/19/2013	4/18/2016
Oregon Department Of Fish And Wildlife	818627	5/3/2013	5/2/2018
Ridgefield National Wildlife Refuge	97901A	5/13/2013	12/31/2017
USDA, APHIS, Wildlife Services	97903A	5/13/2013	5/12/2017
U.S. Geological Survey, WERC	145562	5/8/2013	5/7/2016
Washington Department of Fish And Wildlife	98686A	5/13/2013	5/12/2017
Vanderwerf, Eric A.	149068	2/20/2013	2/19/2016

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 (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Authority

We provide this notice under the authority of section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: September 10, 2013.

Hugh Morrison,

Regional Director, Pacific Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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