

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****50 CFR Part 17**

[Docket No. FWS-R1-ES-2013-0088; 4500030114]

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**Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Designation of Critical Habitat for the Oregon Spotted Frog****AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the reopening of the comment period on the June 18, 2014, document that made available the draft economic analysis for the proposed designation of critical habitat for the Oregon spotted frog (*Rana pretiosa*) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). We are reopening the comment period to allow all interested parties an additional opportunity to comment on the draft economic analysis for the August 29, 2013, proposed designation of critical habitat and on the June 18, 2014, changes to the proposed designation of critical habitat. Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted, as they will be fully considered in preparation of the final rule.

**DATES:** The comment period for the draft economic analysis announced June 18, 2014 (79 FR 34685), is reopened. We will consider comments that we receive or that are postmarked on or before September 23, 2014. Comments submitted electronically using the Federal eRulemaking Portal (see **ADDRESSES** section, below) must be received by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the closing date.

**ADDRESSES:** *Document availability:* You may obtain copies of the draft economic analysis; the associated perceptual effects memorandum; the August 29, 2013, proposed rule; and the June 18, 2014, changes to the proposed rule on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-R1-ES-2013-0088 or by mail from the Washington Fish and Wildlife Office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

*Written comments:* You may submit written comments by one of the following methods:

(1) *Electronically:* Go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submit comments

on the draft economic analysis and the critical habitat proposal by searching for Docket No. FWS-R1-ES-2013-0088, which is the docket number for this rulemaking.

(2) *By hard copy:* Submit comments on the draft economic analysis and the critical habitat proposal, via U.S. mail or hand-delivery to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS-R1-ES-2013-0088; U.S. Fish & Wildlife Headquarters, MS: BPHC, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

We request that you send comments only by the methods described above. We will post all comments on <http://www.regulations.gov>. This generally means that we will post any personal information you provide us (see the Public Comments section below for more information).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas L. McDowell, Acting Manager, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington Fish and Wildlife Office, 510 Desmond Drive SE., Suite 102, Lacey, WA 98503; telephone 360-753-9440; or facsimile 360-753-9445. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Public Comments**

On June 18, 2014, we published a document in the **Federal Register** (79 FR 34685) that made available our draft economic analysis and associated perceptual effects memorandum for our proposed rule (78 FR 53538, August 29, 2013) to designate critical habitat for the Oregon spotted frog. The June 18, 2014, document also proposed further changes to the proposed critical habitat designation for the Oregon spotted frog. With the publication of this document, we are reopening the public comment period for 14 days on that draft economic analysis and associated perceptual effects memorandum and on the changes to proposed critical habitat we announced on June 18, 2014, to allow all interested parties additional time to comment. We will consider all information and recommendations from all interested parties.

For additional details on specific information we are requesting, please see the *Information Requested* section in our proposed critical habitat designation (78 FR 53538) for the Oregon spotted frog that was published in the **Federal Register** on August 29, 2013, and the Public Comments section of the document (79 FR 34685) that was published in the **Federal Register** on June 18, 2014.

You may submit your comments and materials concerning the proposed rules by one of the methods listed in **ADDRESSES**. We request that you send comments only by the methods described in **ADDRESSES**.

If you submit a comment via <http://www.regulations.gov>, your entire comment—including any personal identifying information—will be posted on the Web site. We will post all hardcopy comments on <http://www.regulations.gov> as well. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments and materials we receive, as well as supporting documentation we used in preparing the proposed rule, will be available for public inspection on <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-R1-ES-2013-0088 for the proposed critical habitat designation, or by appointment, during normal business hours, at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington Fish and Wildlife Office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

**Authority**

The authority for this action is the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: August 25, 2014.

**Michael J. Bean,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****50 CFR Part 226**

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**Endangered and Threatened Species; Designation of Critical Habitat for Steller Sea Lions; Public Meetings**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Amended notice of public meeting; notice of second public meeting; request for information.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of a change in a public meeting that NMFS will host to elicit scientific information related to the designation of Steller sea

lion critical habitat under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). To accommodate participation by individuals who cannot attend the meeting in person, NMFS will make the meeting available via a webinar. NMFS will also host a second public meeting to elicit scientific information related to the designation of Steller sea lion critical habitat and will accept written submissions of relevant scientific information.

**DATES:** The first meeting will be held September 22, 2014, from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time. Statements of interest and abstracts were due by 5 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on August 29, 2014 to be considered for presentation during this meeting. The second meeting will be held October 8, 2014, from 5:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time. Statements of interest and abstracts for the second meeting must be received by 5 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on September 22, 2014 to be considered for presentation during the second meeting. Written scientific material relevant to Steller sea lion critical habitat must be received by 8:30 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time on October 8, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit statements of interest in making a presentation and abstracts, and/or relevant scientific information NMFS should consider, identified by NOAA–NMFS–2014–0096, by either of the following methods:

*Electronic Submissions:* Submit all electronic statements of interest in making a presentation and abstracts, and all electronic scientific material relevant to Steller sea lion critical habitat, via the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to [www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2014-0096](http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2014-0096), click the “Comment Now!” icon, complete the required fields, and enter or attach your statement of interest in making a presentation and your abstract, your relevant scientific information, or both. If you are interested in making a presentation, please indicate whether you would like to present at the meeting on September 22, 2014 or the meeting on October 8, 2014.

*Mail:* Submit written statements of interest in making a presentation and abstracts, and any written scientific information relevant to Steller sea lion critical habitat, to Jon Kurland, Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Alaska Region, NMFS, Attn: Ellen Sebastian, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802–1668. Statements of interest in making a presentation, abstracts, and scientific information sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or

received after the end of the submission period, may not be considered by NMFS. All materials received are part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Lisa Rotterman, 907–271–1692 (*Lisa.Rotterman@noaa.gov*); or for webinar-specific assistance, contact Frank Kikuchi, 206–526–4097 (*Frank.Kikuchi@noaa.gov*).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

NMFS published notice of the September 22, 2014 meeting in the **Federal Register** on August 8, 2014 (79 FR 46392) and solicited statements of interest in making a presentation and abstracts. Subsequently NMFS received inquiries from members of the public about whether NMFS would provide alternative ways to participate. NMFS is therefore amending the original notice to accommodate participation by individuals who cannot attend the first meeting in person and to provide notice that we will hold a second meeting to elicit scientific input relevant to Steller sea lion critical habitat. NMFS will make the first meeting available via a webinar and will accept written submissions of relevant scientific information.

The purpose of these two meetings is to elicit scientific information related to the designation of Steller sea lion critical habitat under the ESA. NMFS will provide future opportunity to comment on the essential features and geographic limits of critical habitat when NMFS issues a proposed rule.

The first meeting will be held on September 22, 2014 at the NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way NE., Building 4, Seattle, WA 98115, in the Jim Traynor Conference Room. NMFS will make this meeting available by webinar. Pertinent information about this webinar is as follows:

*Title:* WebEx-NMML, “External Scientific Info Relevant to Steller Sea Lion Critical Habitat”

*Date:* Monday, September 22, 2014  
*Time:* 9 a.m., Pacific Daylight Time (San Francisco, GMT–07:00)

*Meeting Number:* 574 272 234  
*Meeting Password:* StellerCH123  
1. Go to: <https://akfsc.webex.com/akfsc/j.php?MTID=m87ec74d026591a898b03008b80e39ac8>

2. If requested, enter your name and email address.

3. If a password is required, enter the meeting password: StellerCH123

4. Click “Join”.

5. Follow the instructions that appear on your screen.

To view in other time zones or languages, please click the link: <https://akfsc.webex.com/akfsc/j.php?MTID=m09ae534ff16a15a7c51cdca7d0769197>

To join the audio conference only:

1. Call the teleconference number: 1–877–953–3919

Participant Passcode: 5944500

For webinar assistance:

1. Go to <https://akfsc.webex.com/akfsc/mc>.

2. On the left navigation bar, click “Support”.

The second meeting will be held on October 8, 2014 at the Hilton Anchorage, 500 W. 3rd Ave., Anchorage, AK, 99501.

#### Arrangements for Foreign Nationals

Individuals wishing to attend the meeting on September 22, 2014 who are not citizens of the United States must make prior arrangements to be permitted entrance to the Alaska Fisheries Science Center (see **ADDRESSES**). Requests for such arrangements should be directed to Jennifer Ferdinand by email at [jennifer.ferdinand@noaa.gov](mailto:jennifer.ferdinand@noaa.gov) by September 8, 2014.

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids for the meeting on September 22, 2014 should be directed to Jennifer Ferdinand, (206) 526–4076, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids for the meeting on October 8, 2014 should be directed to Dr. Lisa Rotterman, (907) 271–1692, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: September 4, 2014.

**Perry F. Gayaldo,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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