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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R6-R-2014-N289; FXRS1261060-145-FF06R06000]

Cokeville Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, Cokeville, Wyoming; Final Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Finding of No Significant Impact for Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a final comprehensive conservation plan (CCP) and finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for the environmental assessment (EA) we prepared on the CCP for Cokeville Meadows National Wildlife Refuge. The final CCP describes how we intend to manage the refuge for the next 15 years.

ADDRESSES: You will find the final CCP, the EA, and the FONSI on our planning Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/planning/ccp/wy/ckv/ckv.html>. A limited number of hard copies are available. You may request one by any of the following methods:

Email: bernardo_garza@fws.gov. Include "Cokeville Meadows NWR" in the subject line of the message.

U.S. Mail: Bernardo Garza, Planning Team Leader, Suite 300, 134 Union Boulevard, Lakewood, CO 80228.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bernardo Garza, (303) 236-4377 (phone); (303) 236-4792 (fax); or bernardo_garza@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we continue the CCP process for Cokeville Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, which we began by publishing a notice of intent in the *Federal Register* (74 FR 57328) on November 5, 2009. For more about the initial process and the history of this refuge, see that notice. We released the draft CCP and EA to the public, announcing and requesting comments in a notice of availability (78 FR 58340) on September 23, 2013. The 30-day comment period ended on October 21, 2013. We then extended the comment period to November 4, 2013. A summary of public comments and the agency responses is included in the final CCP.

Background

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd-668ee) (Administration Act), requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose in developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS), consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and Service policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Administration Act.

Each unit of the NWRS was established for specific purposes. We use these purposes as the foundation for developing and prioritizing the management goals and objectives for each refuge within the NWRS mission, and to determine how the public can use each refuge. The planning process is a way for us and the public to evaluate management goals and objectives that will ensure the best possible approach to wildlife, plant, and habitat conservation, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with each refuge's establishing purposes and the mission of the NWRS.

Additional Information About the CCP, EA, and FONSI

The final CCP includes detailed information about the planning process, refuge, management issues, and management alternative selected. The EA includes discussion of four alternative refuge management options. The Service's selected alternative is reflected in the final CCP, and also in the FONSI.

The selected alternative for the refuge focuses on managing lands within a greater landscape footprint by using partnerships to enhance habitats both on and off the refuge. Land and easement acquisition will continue to round out and complete the acquisition boundary. Wet meadow and upland habitats will be enhanced and managed to increase wildlife productivity and

diversity. The use of agricultural practices will be specifically geared to enhance refuge habitats for wildlife and to help decrease wildlife depredation on private property adjacent to the refuge.

Staff will increase focus on developing visitor resources, access, and opportunities for wildlife-dependent uses (hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, photography, environmental education, and interpretation) to encourage a greater understanding and appreciation of the Bear River watershed; wet meadow, riparian and stream habitats; and wildlife. A detailed description of objectives and actions included in this selected alternative is found in chapter 4 of the final CCP.

Dated: June 3, 2014.

Noreen Walsh,

Regional Director, Mountain-Prairie Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments: The William T. Pecora Award Application and Nomination Process

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Department of Interior.

ACTION: Notice of a revision of a currently approved information collection (1028-0101).

SUMMARY: We (the U.S. Geological Survey) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC. This collection is scheduled to expire on January 31, 2015.

DATES: To ensure that your comments are considered, we must receive them on or before October 14, 2014.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703) 648-7197 (fax); or gs-help_infocollections@usgs.gov (email). Please reference "Information

Collection 1028–0101, Pecora Award” in all correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this IC, please contact the U.S. Geological Survey, Tina Pruett, MS–517, 12201 Sunrise Valley Dr., Reston, VA 20192 (mail), by telephone (703)-648–4585, or tpruett@usgs.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The William T. Pecora Award is presented annually to individuals or groups that make outstanding contributions toward understanding the earth by means of remote sensing. The award is sponsored jointly by the Department of the Interior (DOI) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

In 1974 the Pecora award was established in honor of Dr. William T. Pecora, former Director of the U.S. Geological Survey, Under Secretary, Department of the Interior and a motivating force behind the establishment of a program for civil remote sensing of the earth from space. The purpose of the award is to recognize individuals or groups working in the field of remote sensing of the earth. National and international nominations are accepted from the public and private sector individuals, teams, organizations, and professional societies.

Nomination packages include three sections: (A) Cover Sheet, (B) Summary Statement, and (C) Supplemental Materials. The cover sheet includes professional contact information. The Summary Statement is limited to two pages and describes the nominee’s achievements in the scientific and technical remote sensing community, contributions leading to successful practical applications of remote sensing, and/or major breakthroughs in remote sensing science or technology. Nominations may include up to 10 pages of supplemental information such as resume, publications list, and/or letters of endorsement.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1028–0101.

Form Number: Various if many different forms or screen shots, otherwise provide the form number.

Title: The Pecora Award; Application and Nomination Process.

Type of Request: Renew approval for an existing information collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Businesses and other academic and non-profit institutions; State, local and tribal governments.

Respondent’s Obligation: None. Participation is voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.
Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses: 10–20.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 hours.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 200.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping “Non-Hour Cost”

Burden: There are no “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this IC.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number and current expiration date.

III. Request for Comments

We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your personal mailing address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personally identifiable information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Tim Newman,

Program Coordinator, Land Remote Sensing Program, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Alaska Native Claims Selection

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Decisions Approving Lands for Conveyance.

SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that appealable decisions will be issued by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to Gana-a ‘Yoo, Limited, Successor in Interest to Notaaghleedin, Limited, for the Native village of Galena; Successor in Interest to Takathlee-tondin, Incorporated, for the Native village of Kaltag; and Successor in Interest to Nik’aghun, Limited, for the Native village of Nulato. The decisions approve the surface estate in the lands described below for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601, et seq.). The subsurface estate in these lands will be conveyed to Doyon, Limited, when the surface estate is conveyed to Gana-a ‘Yoo, Limited. The lands are in the vicinity of Galena, Kaltag, and Nulato, Alaska, and are located in:

Kateel River Meridian, Alaska

Near the Village of Galena

T. 8 S., R. 11 E.,
Secs. 7 and 8.

Containing 1,270.76 acres.

Near the Village of Kaltag

T. 14 S., R. 1 W.,
Sec. 5.

Containing 640 acres.

Near the Village of Nulato

T. 10 S., R. 3 E.,
Sec. 16.

Containing 0.97 acre.
Aggregating 1,911.73 acres.

Notice of the decisions will also be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the *Fairbanks Daily News-Miner*.

DATES: Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by the decisions may appeal the decisions in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4 within the following time limits:

1. Unknown parties, parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, parties who fail or refuse to sign their return receipt, and parties who receive a copy of the decisions by regular mail which is not certified, return receipt requested, shall have until September 15, 2014 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decisions by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4 shall be deemed to have waived their rights. Notices of appeal transmitted by electronic means, such as facsimile or email, will not be accepted as timely filed.