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FOR PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION AND FURTHER INFORMATION FROM RECIPIENT

AGENCY CONTACT: Jeanette Smith, Departmental Privacy Act Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room P8202, Washington, DC 20410, telephone number (202) 708-2374. [This is not a toll-free telephone number.]

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION FROM SOURCE

AGENCY CONTACT: Reynaldo Gonzalez, Debt/Credit Management Coordinator, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250, telephone number (202) 720-1168. [This is not a toll-free number.]

Reporting of Matching Program

In accordance with Public Law 100-503, the Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988, as amended, and Office of Management and Budget Bulletin 89-22, "Instructions on Reporting Computer Matching Programs to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Congress and the Public;" copies of this Notice and report are being provided to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of the House of Representatives, the Committee on Governmental Affairs of the Senate, and the Office of Management and Budget.

Authority

The matching program will be conducted pursuant to Public Law 100-503, "The Computer Matching and Privacy Protection Act of 1988," as amended, and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-129 (Revised January 1993), Policies for Federal Credit Programs and Non-Tax Receivables. One of the purposes of all Executive departments and agencies—including HUD—is to implement efficient management practices for Federal credit programs. OMB Circular A-129 was issued under the authority of the Budget and Accounting Act of 1921, as amended; the Budget and Accounting Act of 1950, as amended; the Debt Collection Act of 1982, as amended; and, the Deficit Reduction Act of 1984, as amended.

Objectives To Be Met By The Matching Program

The matching program will allow USDA access to a system which permits prescreening of applicants for loans owed or guaranteed by the Federal Government to ascertain if the applicant is delinquent in paying a debt owed to or insured by the Government. In addition, HUD will be provided access

to USDA debtor data for prescreening purposes.

Records To Be Matched

HUD will utilize its system of records entitled HUD/DEPT-2, *Accounting Records*. The debtor files for HUD programs involved are included in this system of records. HUD's debtor files contain information on borrowers and co-borrowers who are currently in default (at least 90 days delinquent on their loans); or who have any outstanding claims paid during the last three years on Title II insured or guaranteed home mortgage loans; or individuals who have defaulted on Section 312 rehabilitation loans; or individuals who have had a claim paid in the last three years on a Title I loan. For the CAIVRS match, HUD/DEPT-2, System of Records, receives its program inputs from HUD/DEPT-28, Property Improvement and Manufactured (Mobile) Home Loans—Default; HUD/DEPT-32, Delinquent/Default/Assigned Temporary Mortgage Assistance Payments (TMAP) Program; and HUD/CPD-1, Rehabilitation Loans-Delinquent/Default. The USDA will provide HUD with debtor files contained in its system of records entitled, Applicant/Borrower or Grantee File (USDA/FmHA-1). HUD is maintaining USDA's records only as a ministerial action on behalf of USDA, not as a part of HUD's HUD/DEPT-2 system of records. USDA's data contain information on individuals who have defaulted on their guaranteed loans. The USDA will retain ownership and responsibility for their system of records that they place with HUD. HUD serves only as a record location and routine use recipient for USDA's data.

Notice Procedures

HUD and the USDA will notify individuals at the time of application (ensuring that routine use appears on the application form) for guaranteed or direct loans that their records will be matched to determine whether they are delinquent or in default on a Federal debt. HUD and the USDA will also publish notices concerning routine use disclosures in the **Federal Register** to inform individuals that a computer match may be performed to determine a loan applicant's credit status with the Federal Government.

Categories of Records/Individuals Involved

The debtor records include these data elements: SSN, claim number, program code, and indication of indebtedness. Categories of records include: Records of claims and defaults, repayment

agreements, credit reports, financial statements, and records of foreclosures. Categories of individuals include: Former mortgagors and purchasers of HUD-owned properties, manufactured (mobile) home and home improvement loan debtors who are delinquent or in default on their loans, and rehabilitation loan debtors who are delinquent or in default on their loans.

Period of the Match

Matching is expected to begin at least 40 days from the date copies of the signed (by both Data Integrity Boards) computer matching agreements are sent to both Houses of Congress or at least 40 days from the date this Notice is published in the **Federal Register**, whichever is later, providing no comments are received which would result in a contrary determination. The matching program will be in effect and continue for 18 months with an option to renew for 12 additional months unless one of the parties to the agreement advises the other in writing to terminate or modify the agreement.

Dated: September 22, 1999.

Gloria R. Parker,

Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability of Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for Ten Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuge in Collier County, FL, and Notice of Meeting To Seek Public Participation

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Southeast Region, has made available for public review a Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for Ten Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuge in Collier County, Florida, and plans to hold a public meeting in the vicinity of the refuge to solicit public comments on the draft plan. The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service comprehensive conservation planning policy, the National Environmental Act Policy, and implementing regulations to achieve the following:

- (1) Advise other agencies and the public of our intentions, and
- (2) Obtain comments on the proposed plan and the other alternatives considered in the planning process.

DATES: The Service will hold the public meeting on Saturday, October 23, 1999, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Fish and Wildlife Service office located in the Comfort Inn, 3860 Tollgate Boulevard, Naples, Florida 34114. In addition, written comments on the draft plan should be sent no later than November 8, 1999, to the address given below.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for copies of the draft plan should be addressed to Mr. Ed Loth, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Southeast Regional Office, 1875 Century Boulevard, Atlanta, Georgia 30345, or by calling 404/679-7155.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Ten Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuge consists of approximately 35,000 acres located approximately 20 miles southeast of Naples, Florida, and South of U.S. Highway 41. The refuge was established under the authority of the Florida/Arizona Land Exchange Act in order to develop, advance, manage, conserve and protect its unique estuarine ecosystem and fish and wildlife resources. The refuge represents a variety of coastal habitats including mangrove forests, freshwater marsh systems, interspersed freshwater ponds, and small islands or hammocks of upland habitat.

It is the desire of the Fish and Wildlife Service that Ten Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuge become "a model for natural systems management, featuring unique coastal marshes, islands, and subtropical estuarine mangrove ecosystems. The refuge will provide essential habitat for threatened and endangered species and be an area noted for its cultural resources.

Through effective management and partnering, the refuge will provide outstanding recreational opportunities for present and future generations." To accomplish this vision, the refuge seeks to achieve the following six goals: (1) Wildlife and Habitat Conservation—conserve, enhance, and protect fish and wildlife resources and other natural values supported within the refuge portion of this unique south Florida coastal ecosystem; (2) Public Use—Provide visitors with quality recreational opportunities, guided by the refuge's vision and mission, and compatible with its purpose; (3) Commercial Use—co-manage sustained-yield commercial harvesting, guiding, and other enterprises that are compatible with the purpose of the refuge; (3) Environmental Education—promote the interpretation, education, and appreciation of coastal natural resources for the Ten Thousand Islands

area, and the importance of conserving them; (5) Cooperative Management—promote cooperation among agencies, private landowners, organizations, and other stakeholders in the management of natural and cultural resources within the Big Cypress Watershed; and (6) Archaeological Resources—protect refuge cultural resources, encourage archaeological investigations, and promote interpretation and appreciation of the area's history.

The draft plan evaluates three alternatives for managing the refuge over the next 15 years: Alternative A (no action) advocates that the refuge be managed with minimal monitoring and management direction; Alternative B (ecosystem approach) would allow recreational and commercial activities to continue coupled with extensive monitoring programs to assess the quality of the environment; and Alternative C (maximum public use) emphasizes fishing as well as many other recreational pursuits for the refuge. The Service believes that Alternative B (ecosystem approach) is the best alternative to guide the refuge's future direction. In essence, this alternative will:

- Best meet the primary purposes for which the refuge was established—protecting and enhancing the refuge's unique estuarine ecosystem;
- Recognize the importance of the refuge within the Big Cypress Watershed and define refuge actions to protect and enhance the natural features of this ecosystem;
- Continue to provide the public access to the refuge; visitation would be monitored for its impacts on flora and fauna; and
- Ensure that environmental education and partnership efforts increase.

Dated: September 14, 1999.

Sam D. Hamilton,
Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

Applicant: Taylor W. Jones, Atlanta, GA, PRT-017657.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Randy Kalp, Pleasant Unity, PA, PRT-017657.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: University of Illinois/Chicago, Chicago, IL, PRT-017651.

The applicant requests a permit to import blood samples from three (3) captive-held Baird's Tapirs (*Tapirus bairdii*) maintained under the management program of the Belize Zoo, Belize City, Belize, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through genetic studies.

Applicant: Bowmanville Zoological Park Ltd, c/o Whitfield's Tigers and Lions, Suisun City, CA, PRT-017088.

The applicant requests a permit to purchase and export one Bengal tiger (*Panthera tigris tigris*) to Bowmanville Zoological Park Ltd., Ontario, Canada for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through propagation and conservation education.

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

Applicant: Mike Popper, Sewickley, PA, PRT-017654

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted, taken prior to April 30, 1994, from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada, for personal use.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete application, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be sent to the U.S.