

systems of records. The systems of records are being deleted because they are either obsolete and no longer in use, or the systems have been phased out following the reorganization and replaced with existing or newly designed systems. All records were disposed in compliance with the "Retention and Disposal" section of each notice.

Deletions

No. 09-70-0019

System Name: "Actuarial Sample Hospital Stay Record Study (ASHSS) System," HHS/HCFA/BDMS; (Published **Federal Register** on Wednesday, October 13, 1982, Vol. 47, No. 198, pages 45703-45705)

No. 09-70-0020

System Name: "Actuarial Sample of Supplementary Medical Insurance (SMI) Payments," HHS/HCFA/BDMS; (Published **Federal Register** on Wednesday, October 13, 1982, Vol. 47, No. 198, page 45705)

No. 09-70-0029

System Name: "Evaluation of Medicare Competition Demonstration (EMCD)," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Thursday, December 22, 1983, Vol. 48, No. 247, pages 56645-56647)

No. 09-70-0034

System Name: "Evaluation of Social/Health Maintenance Organizations (SHMO) Demonstrations," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Monday, July 22, 1985, Vol. 50, No. 240, pages 29766-29767)

No. 09-70-0035

System Name: "Aftercare Evaluation System (AES)," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Wednesday, September 2, 1987, Vol. 52, No. 170, pages 33290-33292)

No. 09-70-0038

System Name: "Evaluation of the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 1982 (TEFRA) Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) and Competitive Medical Plans (CMP) Program," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Tuesday, January 5, 1983, Vol. 53, No. 2, pages 182-184)

No. 09-70-0041

System Name: "Evaluation of the ORBRA 87 Medicare Payment of Influenza Vaccination (MPIV) Demonstration;" HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Thursday, January 5, 1989, Vol. 54, No. 3, pages 329-331)

No. 09-70-0044

System Name: "Demonstration and Evaluation of the Medicare Insured Group (MIG) Model;" HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Wednesday, November 30, 1998, Vol. 53, No. 230, pages 48314-48315)

No. 09-70-0047

System Name: "HCFA Medicare Mortality Predictor Data (MMPD) File;" HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Tuesday, May 29, 1990, Vol. 55, No. 103, pages 21792-21794)

No. 09-70-0054

System Name: "Evaluation of the United Mine Workers of America Health and Retirement Funds Medicare Part B Capitation (UMWC) Demonstration," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Wednesday, March 4, 1992, Vol. 57, No. 43, pages 7765-7767)

No. 09-70-0055

System Name: "Implementation and Evaluation of the Staff-Assisted Home Dialysis (SAHD) Demonstration," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Monday, May 18, 1992, Vol. 57, No. 96, pages 21120-21123)

No. 09-70-0056

System Name: "Evaluation of the Medicaid Expansion Demonstrations (EMED)," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Thursday, April 23, 1992, Vol. 57, No. 79, pages 14839-14841)

No. 09-70-0061

System Name: "Evaluation of the Medicare Case Management Demonstration (EMCM)," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Tuesday, June 8, 1993, Vol. 58, No. 108, pages 32145-32146)

No. 09-70-0062

System Name: "Medicare Cataract Surgery Alternate Payment Demonstration Data Base (MCSAP)," HHS/HCFA/ORD; (Published **Federal Register** on Monday, June 21, 1993, Vol. 58, No. 117, pages 33826-33828)

No. 09-70-0507

System Name: "Health Insurance Microfilm (HIUM)," HHS/HCFA/BDMS; (Published **Federal Register** on Tuesday, October 27, 1981, Vol. 46, No. 207, pages 52703-52705)

No. 09-70-0529

System Name: "Pennsylvania Medicare/Medicaid Duplicate Paid Claims," HHS/HCFA/RO III; (Published **Federal Register** on Friday, January 5, 1990, Vol. 55, No. 4, pages 487-489)

No. 09-70-1514

System Name: "Medicare Severity of Illness Data (MSID) File," HHS/HCFA/HSQB; (Published **Federal Register** on Friday, March 17, 1989, Vol. 54, No. 51, pages 11292-11293)

No. 09-70-1515

System Name: "Resident Assessment System and Data Base for Nursing (RASD)," HHS/HCFA/HSQB; (Published **Federal Register** on Wednesday, January 2, 1991, Vol. 56, No. 1, pages 81-83)

No. 09-70-3003

System Name: "Correspondence Handling and Processing System (CHAPS)," HHS/HCFA/BDMS; (Published **Federal Register** on Wednesday, February 18, 1987, Vol. 52, No. 32, pages 4971-4972)

No. 09-70-4002

System Name: "Beneficiary Inquiry Tracking System (BITS)," HHS/HCFA/OPHC; (Published **Federal Register** on Friday, August 14, 1987, Vol. 52, No. 157, pages 30435-30438)

Dated: October 18, 1999.

Michael Hash,

Deputy Administrator, Health Care Financing Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Associated Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is preparing a Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and an Environmental Impact Statement for Texas Chenier Plain National Wildlife Refuge Complex, Chambers, Galveston and Jefferson Counties, Texas. The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service CCP policy and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and implementing regulations for the following purposes: (1) To advise other agencies and the public of our intentions; (2) to obtain suggestions and information to be included in the EIS; and (3) to announce public open house meetings.

DATES: Submit comments on or before December 31, 1999. See Supplementary

Information for meeting dates and locations.

ADDRESSES: Address comments and requests for more information to: Louis J. Bridges, Project Manager, Research Management Consultants, Inc., P.O. Box 71, (412 Nevada Street), Hot Sulphur Springs, Colorado 80451.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andy Loranger, Refuge Complex Manager (409) 267-3337; John Slown, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Biologist/Planner (505) 248-7458.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service started the process of developing a Habitat Stewardship Program for the Texas Chenier Plain ecosystem in southeast Texas in 1994. This Program included potential expansion through land acquisition of the Texas Chenier Plain NWR Complex. This Refuge Complex encompasses the Anahuac, McFaddin, Moody and Texas Point National Wildlife Refuges. Open houses and public meetings were held in 1994 and 1996.

Persons and organizations involved in the scoping process for the Habitat Stewardship Program included: the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resource Conservation Service; U.S. Department of the Interior, National Marine Fisheries Service, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department; Texas General Land Office; U.S. Army, Corps of Engineers; members of national, state and local conservation organizations; grazing permittees; inholders and neighboring landowners; and other interested citizens. Comments and concerns received have been used to identify issues for the upcoming Comprehensive Conservation Plan and EIS.

Major issues to be addressed in the Comprehensive Conservation Plan and associated EIS include management of the Refuge Complex and potential expansion of the Complex' refuges through land acquisition. Specific refuge management issues include management of public recreational uses such as hunting, fishing and wildlife observation, and habitat management strategies (grazing, cooperative rice farming, prescribed burning, water management) for wetland, grassland and woodland habitats. The plan will include the following topics: (a) An assessment of existing biological, physical, and cultural resources, and their condition; (b) identification of the long term goals and objectives of the refuge, consistent with the National Wildlife Refuge System mission; (c) strategies for habitat management, including actions for wetlands, grasslands and woodlands; (d) strategies for management of public access and

uses, including hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, environmental education and interpretation; (e) strategies for land acquisition or cooperative agreements with adjacent land owners to further the conservation goals of the plan.

Public open houses to allow opportunities for direct public input on the scope of the document will be held at a time and place to be determined. For information concerning these open houses, please contact Louis J. Bridges, at the address provided above.

All comments received from individuals on Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the Council on Environmental Quality's NEPA regulations [40 CFR 1506.6(f)], and other Service and Departmental policy and procedures. When requested, the Service generally will provide comment letters with the names and addresses of the individuals who wrote the comments. However, the telephone number of the commenting individual will not be provided in response to such requests to the extent permissible by law. Additionally, public comment letters are not required to contain the commentator's name, address, or other identifying information. Such comments may be submitted anonymously to the Service.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), NEPA Regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508), other appropriate Federal laws and regulations, the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those regulations.

We estimate that the draft CCP/ Environmental Impact Statement will be available in November, 2001.

Dated: October 7, 1999.

Stephen W. Perry,

Acting Regional Director, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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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.*):

PRT-014420

Applicant: Thomas Leuteritz, George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

The applicant requests a permit to import blood samples from Radiated tortoises (*Geochelone radiata*) collected in the wild in Madagascar, for scientific research.

PRT-016034

Applicant: International Animal Exchange, Ferndale, MI

The applicant requests a permit to purchase in interstate commerce three male and four female captive-born tigers (*Panthera tigris*) from the Bridgeport Nature Center, Inc., Bridgeport, Texas, for export to Safari Park Qin Huang Dao, Qinhuangdao, China for the purpose of public display and conservation education.

PRT-016035

Applicant: International Animal Exchange, Ferndale, MI

The applicant requests a permit to purchase in interstate commerce four male and three female captive-born tigers (*Panthera tigris*) from the Bridgeport Nature Center, Inc., Bridgeport, Texas, for export to Beijing Badaling Wild Animal World, Beijing, China for the purpose of public display and conservation education.

PRT-015401

Applicant: Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Gardens, Cincinnati, OH

The applicant requests a permit to export one male captive-born Komodo Island monitor (*Varanus komodoensis*) to the North of England Zoological Society, Chester, United Kingdom, for the purpose of enhancement of the species through propagation.

PRT-018063

Applicant: Randy Miller, Big Bear City, CA

The applicant requests a permit to export and re-import tigers (*Panthera tigris*) and progeny of the animals currently held by the applicant and any animals acquired in the United States by the applicant to/from worldwide locations to enhance the survival of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities