

A terminated mortgagee may request to have its authority to originate FHA loans reinstated no earlier than six months after the effective date of the Termination. The request, addressed to the Director, Office of Lender Activities

and Program Compliance, should describe any actions taken (e.g., changes in operations and/or personnel) to eliminate the cause(s) of the poor loan performance that led to the Termination.

Action

The following mortgagees have had their Agreements terminated by HUD:

Mortgagee name	Mortgagee branch address	HUD office jurisdictions	Termination effective date	Home ownership centers
Atlantic Vanguard Mortgage dba First Advantage Mortgage.	251 Maitland Ave., Suite 304 Altamonte Springs, FL 32701.	Orlando, FL	01/17/2000	Atlanta.
CTX Mortgage Company	151 Kalmus STE J-4 Costa Mesa, CA 92626.	Los Angeles, CA	11/01/1999	Santa Ana.
Embassy Mortgage Corp	6817 W 167th St. Tinley Park, IL 60477 ...	Chicago, IL	01/21/2000	Atlanta.
Paradigm Mortgage Associates Inc	7845 Baymeadows Way Jacksonville, FL 32256.	Coral Gables, FL	11/01/1999	Atlanta.
RE Mortgage Group dba American Pacific Mortgage Corp.	8141 E Kaiser Blvd, Suite 212 Anaheim Hills, CA 92808.	Santa Ana, CA	01/21/2000	Santa Ana.

Dated: March 21, 2000.

William C. Apgar,

Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report on the Restoration and Management Plan for Bair Island, Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, San Mateo County, California, and Announcement of Public Scoping Meeting

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement/ environmental impact report and notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) intends to gather information necessary to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the development of a Restoration and Management Plan (RMP) for Bair Island located in San Mateo County, California. Interested persons are encouraged to submit written comments and/or attend a public scoping meeting to identify and discuss issues and alternatives that should be addressed in the RMP and in the EIS/EIR. The Service is furnishing this notice in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations (40 CFR 1501.7) for the following purposes: (1) To advise other agencies and the public of our

intentions; (2) to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to be addressed in the EIS/EIR; and (3) to announce a public scoping meeting. Comments and participation in this scoping process are solicited. We estimate the Draft Environmental Impact Statement will be made available to the public by February 2001.

DATES: A public scoping meeting will be held on April 27, 2000, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., see addresses for location. Written comments related to the scope and content of the Restoration and Management Plan and EIS/EIR should be received by the Service at the Newark address below by April 26, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, California. Oral and written comments will be taken at the meeting. Written comments also may be mailed to Ms. Margaret T. Kolar, Refuge Complex Manager, San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex, P.O. Box 524, Newark, California 94560; or sent by facsimile to (510) 792-5828.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Clyde Morris, Refuge Manager, Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Newark, California, telephone (510) 792-0222.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background Information

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) will manage all State and Federal land on Bair Island as a part of the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge). Lands owned by the California Department of Fish and Game on Bair Island will be managed as a part of the Refuge in compliance with a Memorandum of Understanding.

The Service proposes to restore Bair Island to tidal wetlands. The purpose of

the project is to restore saltwater marsh habitat for endangered species and other native wildlife; and to enhance the public's appreciation and awareness of the unique resources of Bair Island.

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. 4371 *et seq.*), NEPA Regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508), other appropriate Federal regulations, and Service procedures for compliance with those regulations.

Project Objectives

The objectives of the project follow.

1. Restore and enhance habitat for the endangered California clapper rail and salt marsh harvest mouse.
2. Create and enhance habitat for other endangered and threatened species, and other wetland dependent species if compatible with restoration for the clapper rail and harvest mouse.
3. Minimize disturbance to any sensitive species (clapper rail, harbor seals, *etc.*).
4. Provide for control of undesirable species including invasive plants, undesirable predators, and mosquitos.
5. Enhance the public's awareness of the unique resources at Bair Island by providing opportunities for wildlife-oriented recreation and nature study.

Questions and Issues

Questions and issues identified to date include the following.

1. What recreational uses are compatible with restoration?
2. How will historic and cultural resources be protected?
3. What are the impacts of restoration activities on sensitive wildlife resources?
4. How will invasive non-native and undesirable species be controlled?

5. Would this project improve flood conditions along Redwood, Pulgas, and Cordilleras creeks, or affect the stability of Highway 101 and flood control levees along Steinberger Slough and Redwood Creeks?

6. How will San Carlos Airport property on Inner Bair Island be protected from tidal inundation?

7. What impacts will there be to adjacent marinas and the Port of Redwood City from increased tidal currents?

8. What are the risks to low flying aircraft from increased waterbird use?

9. How will this project impact the South Bayside System Authority's pipeline and Pacific Gas and Electric's towers?

Public Comments

Comments already received are on record and need not be resubmitted. All comments received from individuals on the EIS/EIR 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. Telephone numbers of commenting individuals, however, 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.

Dated: March 17, 2000.

Elizabeth H. Stevens,

Acting Manager, California/Nevada Operations, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force *Caulpera taxifolia* (Mediterranean strain) Prevention Committee

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the *Caulpera taxifolia* (Mediterranean strain) Prevention

Committee of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force. The meeting topics are identified in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

DATES: The Committee will meet from 1:30 pm to 5 pm, on Wednesday, April 5, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science, Cooperative Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Studies (CIMAS) Building, 3rd floor conference room, 4600 Rickenbacker Causeway, Miami, Florida.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra Keppner, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at 716-691-5456 or by email at sandra_keppner@fws.gov or Sharon Gross, Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force at 703-358-2308 or by e-mail at: sharon_gross@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces a meeting of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force *Caulpera taxifolia* (Mediterranean strain) Prevention Committee. The Task Force was established by the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 4701-4741).

Topics to be addressed at this meeting include: reviewing the roles and responsibilities of the committee, reviewing the draft Prevention Program, reviewing existing authorities that could be used to regulate import of the Mediterranean strain of *Caulpera taxifolia*, identifying gaps in the draft Prevention Program, and developing criteria for prioritizing actions in the Prevention Program.

Minutes of the meeting will be maintained by the Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Suite 851, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, Virginia 22203-1622. Minutes for the meetings will be available at this location for public inspection during regular business hours, Monday through Friday.

Dated: March 20, 2000.

Rowan Gould,

Acting Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Acting Assistant Director—Fisheries.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Filing of Plats of Survey: Oregon/ Washington

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Oregon State Office, Portland, Oregon, thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this publication.

Willamette Meridian

Oregon

T. 25 S., R. 1 W., accepted January 27, 2000
T. 29 S., R. 10 W., accepted February 7, 2000
T. 20 S., R. 1 W., accepted February 18, 2000
T. 14 S., R. 31 E., accepted February 25, 2000
T. 19 S., R. 2 W., accepted March 6, 2000

Washington

T. 27 N., R. 13 W., accepted February 28, 2000
T. 27 N., R. 12 W., accepted February 28, 2000
T. 16 N., R. 19 E., accepted March 6, 2000
T. 31 N., R. 11 W., accepted March 6, 2000

If protests against a survey, as shown on any of the above plat(s), are received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest(s). A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed and become final or appeals from the dismissal affirmed.

The plat(s) will be placed in the open files of the Oregon State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 1515 S.W. 5th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97201, and will be available to the public as a matter of information only. Copies of the plat(s) may be obtained from the above office upon required payment. A person or party who wishes to protest against a survey must file with the State Director, Bureau of Land Management, Portland, Oregon, a notice that they wish to protest prior to the proposed official filing date given above. A statement of reasons for a protest may be filed with the notice of protest to the State Director, or the statement of reasons must be filed with the State Director within thirty (30) days after the proposed official filing date.

The above-listed plats represent dependent resurveys, survey, and subdivision.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bureau of Land Management, (1515 S.W. 5th Avenue P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208.