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*Applicant:* Sidney R. Wilhite, West Monroe, LA, PRT-095768.

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Dated: November 12, 2004.

**Michael L. Carpenter,**

*Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** The following applicant has 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.*).

**DATES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056, and must be received on or before December 27, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Peter Fasbender, (612) 713-5343.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Permit Number:* TE096410.

*Applicant:* Thomas E. Tomasi, Southwest Missouri State University, Springfield, Missouri.

The applicant requests a permit to take the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) throughout Missouri. The scientific research is aimed at enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Dated: November 12, 2004

**T.J. Miller,**

*Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Notice of Meetings of the Klamath Fishery Management Council

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces three meetings of the Klamath Fishery Management Council, established under the authority of the Klamath River Basin Fishery Resources Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 460ss *et seq.*). All meetings are open to the public. The Klamath Fishery Management Council makes recommendations to agencies that regulate harvest of anadromous fish in the Klamath River Basin. The objectives of these meetings are to hear technical reports, to discuss and develop Klamath fall Chinook salmon harvest management options for the 2005 season, and to make recommendations to the Pacific Fishery Management Council and other Fishery Management agencies.

**DATES:** The first meeting will be from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 23, 2005 and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 24, 2005. The second meeting will be from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, March 6, 2005. At the March 6, 2005, meeting the Klamath Fishery Management Council may schedule short follow-up meetings to be held between March 7-11, 2005 at the same location. The third meeting will be from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, April 3, 2005. At the April 3, 2005, meeting the Klamath Fishery Management Council may schedule short follow-up meetings to be held between April 4-8, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** The February 23-24, 2005, meeting will be held at the Red Lion Hotel, 1929 Fourth Street, Eureka, California. The March 6-11, 2005, meeting will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Sacramento, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento, California. The April 3-8, 2005 meeting will be held at the Sheraton Tacoma Hotel, 1320 Broadway Plaza, Tacoma, Washington. The March, 2005, meeting in Sacramento, California and the April, 2005, meeting in Tacoma, Washington are held concurrent with the meetings of the Pacific Fishery Management Council.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Phil Detrich, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1829 South Oregon Street, Yreka, California 96097, telephone (530) 842-5763.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For background information on the Klamath Fishery Management Council, please refer to the notice of their initial meeting that appeared in the **Federal Register** on July 8, 1987 (52 FR 25639).

Dated: November 10, 2004.

**Michael M. Long,**

*Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Sacramento, CA.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### North American Wetlands Conservation Council Meeting Announcement

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Council) will meet to select North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) grant proposals for recommendation to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission (Commission). The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** December 7, 2004, 1-4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Hotel Playa Mazatlan, Mazatlan, Mexico. The Council Coordinator is located at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP 4501-4075, Arlington, Virginia 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David A. Smith, Council Coordinator, (703) 358-1784 or [dbhc@fws.gov](mailto:dbhc@fws.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with NAWCA (Pub. L. 101-233, 103 Stat. 1968, December 13, 1989, as amended), the State-private-Federal Council meets to consider wetland acquisition, restoration, enhancement, and management projects for recommendation to, and final funding approval by, the Commission. Proposal due dates, application instructions, and eligibility requirements are available through the NAWCA Web site at <http://birdhabitat.fws.gov>. Proposals require a minimum of 50 percent non-Federal matching funds. Mexican and U.S. Standard grant proposals will be considered at the Council meeting. The tentative date for the Commission meeting is March 2, 2005.

Dated: November 15, 2004.

**Paul Schmidt,**

*Assistant Director—Migratory Birds and State Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Lower Lake Rancheria Casino-Hotel Project, Oakland, CA

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) as lead agency, with the Lower Lake Rancheria Koi Nation as a cooperating agency, intends to gather information necessary for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed casino and hotel project to be located in Oakland, California. The purpose of the proposed action is to help provide a land base for, and address the socio-economic needs of the Lower Lake Rancheria Koi Nation. This notice also announces a public scoping meeting to identify potential issues, concerns and alternatives to be considered in the EIS.

**DATES:** Written comments on the scope and implementation of this proposal must arrive by December 29, 2004. The public scoping meeting, to be co-hosted by the BIA and the Lower Lake Rancheria Koi Nation, will be held Wednesday, December 15, 2004, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., or until the last public comment is received.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail or hand carry written comments to Clay Gregory, Regional Director, Pacific Regional Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825. The public scoping meeting will be at the East Oakland Senior Center, 9255 Edes Avenue, Oakland, CA 94603. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Rydzik, (916) 978–6042.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Lower Lake Rancheria Koi Nation is presently a landless federally-recognized tribe, governed by a tribal council elected pursuant to its constitution. The Lower Lake Rancheria Koi Nation is eligible to acquire land to be placed in trust.

The land proposed to be placed in trust, a 35.45-acre paved land parcel, is located within the incorporated City of Oakland in Alameda County, California. The project parcel is located southeast

of San Leandro Bay, across the "Airport Channel" from Oakland International Airport, at the corner of Swan Way and Pardee Drive.

The tribe and developers are currently conducting a marketing study to assist in determining the overall size of the proposed facility. At this time, the casino can be expected to be approximately 200,000 square feet in size, which would be constructed during Phase I. Phase II would include the construction and operation of a 300 room hotel on the project site. The casino footprint would consist of a combination of uses, including the main gaming hall, food and beverage facilities, banking and administration facilities, and possibly an event center. The conceptual design of the facility is expected to be completed prior to the public scoping meeting announced in this notice.

Areas of environmental concern to be addressed in the EIS include land use, geology and soils, water resources, agricultural resources, biological resources, cultural resources, mineral resources, paleontological resources, traffic and transportation, noise, air quality, public health/environmental hazards, public services and utilities, hazardous waste and materials, socio-economics, environmental justice, and visual resources/aesthetics. In addition to the proposed action, a reasonable range of alternatives, including a no-action alternative, will be analyzed in the EIS. The range of issues and alternatives may be expanded based on comments received during the scoping process.

#### Public Comment Availability

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the BIA address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section, during business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by the law. We will not, however, consider anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

#### Authority

This notice is published in accordance with section 1503.1 of the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*), Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1–6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

Dated: November 16, 2004.

**Michael D. Olsen,**

*Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Availability of the Draft Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Roan Plateau Planning Area, Including the Former Naval Oil Shale Reserves (NOSR) 1 & 3; Glenwood Springs and White River Field Offices in Garfield and Rio Blanco Counties, CO

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** The Draft RMP Amendment/Draft EIS for the Roan Plateau planning area, which includes the former Naval Oil Shale Reserves 1 and 3, is available for 90 days for public review and comment. BLM has prepared the document, and is announcing this comment period, in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), and regulatory requirements

**DATES:** The BLM will accept written comments on the Draft RMP Amendment/Draft EIS for 90 days following the publication of its availability by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in the **Federal Register**. BLM will announce future public meetings and any other public involvement activities at least 15 days in advance through public notices in local newspapers (Glenwood Springs and Rifle, Colorado), through local media news releases, on the project Web site at <http://www.roanplateau.ene.com>, and/or through mailings.