

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the patent and/or patent applications, inquiries, comments and other materials relating to the contemplated exclusive license should be directed to: Mojdeh Bahar, J.D., Technology Licensing Specialist, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Boulevard, Suite 325, Rockville, MD 20852-3804; Telephone: (301) 435-2950; Facsimile: (301) 402-0220; E-mail: baharm@od.nih.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The technology claimed in the aforementioned patents is a method for the treatment or prevention of autoimmune diseases, allergic or atopic disorders, and graft rejections. The instant method comprises inducing the death by apoptosis of a subpopulation of T lymphocytes that is capable of causing such diseases, while leaving the majority of other T lymphocytes unaffected. Cell death is achieved by cycles comprising challenging via immunization these T cells with antigenic substance at short time intervals, or by immunization followed by administering interleukin-2 (IL-2) when these T cells are expressing high levels of IL-2 receptor so as to cause these T cells to undergo apoptosis upon re-immunization with the antigenic peptide or protein.

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless within sixty (60) days from the date of this published notice, the NIH receives written evidence and argument that establish that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Applications for a license in the field of use filed in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the grant of the contemplated exclusive license. Comments and objections submitted to this notice will not be made available for public inspection and, to the extent permitted by law, will not be released under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552.

Dated: April 21, 2004.

Steven M. Ferguson,

Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Institutes of Health, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Institutes of Health (NIH) is announcing a public meeting to enable invited individuals, organizations, and other stakeholders to comment on the use of the government march-in authorities under 35 U.S.C. 203 for Norvir® (ritonavir) manufactured by Abbott Laboratories using inventive technologies developed with NIH funds.

Time and Date: The public meeting will be held on May 25, 2004 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Place: The public meeting will be held in the first-floor conference room, Building 50 (at the corner of Center and South Drives), National Institutes of Health, 9000 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892. Parking will be limited and there may be delays entering the NIH campus due to increased security. We recommend arriving by Metro, if possible. NIH is accessible from the Metro's red line at the Medical Center/NIH stop.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Martinez, Office of Technology Transfer, Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health, 6011 Executive Blvd, Suite 325, Rockville, MD 20852, e-mail: martinm1@mail.nih.gov

Registration and Participation: No registration is required to attend the public meeting. Seating will be on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Participation as a presenter is by invitation only. The agency will notify each invited speaker of the time allotted to the participant and the approximate time the participant's comments are scheduled to begin.

If you need special accommodations due to disability, please inform Mary Martinez, the contact person listed in this document.

Dated: April 22, 2004.

Mark L. Rohrbaugh,

Director, Office of Technology Transfer, National Institutes of Health.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Draft Revised Recovery Plan for the Sihek or Guam Micronesian Kingfisher (*Halcyon cinnamomina cinnamomina*)

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability for review and comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ("we"), announces the availability of the Draft Revised Recovery Plan for the Sihek or Guam Micronesian Kingfisher (*Halcyon cinnamomina cinnamomina*) for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments on the draft revised recovery plan must be received on or before June 28, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the draft revised recovery plan are available for inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the following location: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 3-122, Honolulu, Hawaii 96850 (phone: (808) 792-9400). Requests for copies of the draft revised recovery plan and written comments and materials regarding this plan should be addressed to the Field Supervisor, Ecological Services, at the above Honolulu address. An electronic copy of the draft revised recovery plan is also available at: <http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Amidon, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Honolulu address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Recovery of endangered or threatened animals and plants is a primary goal of our endangered species program and the Endangered Species Act (Act) 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Recovery means improvement of the status of listed species to the point at which listing is no longer appropriate under the criteria set out in section 4(a)(1) of the Act. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimate time and cost for implementing the measures needed for recovery.

The Act requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act requires that public notice and an opportunity for

public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. We will consider all information presented during the public comment period prior to approval of each new or revised recovery plan. Substantive technical comments may result in changes to the recovery plan. Substantive comments regarding recovery plan implementation may not necessarily result in changes to the recovery plan, but will be forwarded to appropriate Federal or other entities so that they can take these comments into account during the course of implementing recovery actions. Individual responses to comments will not be provided.

The sihek is federally listed as endangered (49 FR 33881) and is also listed as endangered by the Territory of Guam. Sihek are forest kingfishers endemic to the island of Guam in the Mariana Archipelago. Sihek were last observed on Guam in 1988 and are now believed to be extirpated from the wild. Currently, sihek are represented by a captive population of 60 individuals in 11 zoological institutions. Prior to their extirpation from the island, sihek utilized a wide variety of forest habitats. Mature, closed canopy forests with large, standing dead trees that provide appropriate nest sites for the cavity-nesting sihek are important for reproductive activities. Diverse vegetative structure that provides a variety of invertebrate and vertebrate prey as well as an open understory or edge with exposed perches for foraging is also an important component of sihek habitat.

Habitat degradation and loss, human persecution, contaminants, and introduced species such as disease organisms, cats (*Felis catus*), rats (*Rattus* spp.), black drongos (*Dicrurus macrocercus*), monitor lizards (*Varanus indicus*), and brown treesnakes (*Boiga irregularis*) have all been suggested as factors in the population decline of this subspecies. However, predation by the brown treesnake is believed to have been the overriding factor in the extirpation of sihek. Factors that continue to prevent the recovery of the sihek include poor reproductive success, high mortality in the captive population, and the continued presence of brown treesnakes on Guam. Recovery actions in this draft revised plan are designed to address threats to the sihek in order to achieve the recovery objectives of downlisting to threatened status and eventual delisting.

To prevent the extinction of the sihek, the highest priority recovery tasks are to increase the size of the captive population, control brown treesnakes on Guam, and reestablish sihek in the wild

on Guam. Increasing the captive population will be accomplished by establishing a captive propagation program for sihek on Guam, increasing reproductive success, and decreasing juvenile and adult mortality. Reintroduction to Guam requires a thorough reintroduction program and extensive predator control efforts, especially brown treesnake control. Once sihek have been reestablished in the wild, expanding predator control efforts to additional areas, habitat protection and restoration, and monitoring for additional threats to the subspecies would receive increased focus.

The goal of this plan is to reestablish sihek in at least 2 stable or increasing subpopulations of 1,000 adults each, 1 in northern Guam and 1 in southern Guam, in conjunction with habitat protection and predator control measures, as well as long-term monitoring to ensure the effectiveness of management actions.

Public Comments Solicited

We solicit written comments on the draft revised recovery plan described. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered in developing a final revised recovery plan.

Authority: The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: March 5, 2004.

David J. Wesley,

Regional Director, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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State of Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting and tour of the Arizona Resource Advisory Council (RAC).

The business meeting will be held on May 26, 2004, at the Best Western Plaza Inn located at 110 W. Rex Allen Drive in Wilcox, Arizona. It will begin at 9 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. The agenda items to be covered include: Review of the February 18, 2004 meeting minutes; BLM State Director's Update on

Statewide Issues; Presentations on Land Use Planning Process, Land Tenure Adjustment—Focusing on Land Exchanges and Land Dispositions, and Arizona's Fire Land Use Plan Amendment for Fire, Fuels and Air Quality Management; Update on the Borderland Task Force and Border Issues, and Review of the statewide Citizen Wilderness Proposals and how they are being addressed in the land use planning efforts underway; RAC Questions on Written Reports from BLM Field Managers; Field Office Rangeland Resource Team Proposals; Reports by the Standards and Guidelines, Recreation, Off-Highway Vehicle Use, Public Relations, Land Use Planning and Tenure, and Wild Horse and Burro Working Groups; Reports from RAC members; and Discussion of future meetings. A public comment period will be provided at 11 a.m. on May 26, 2004, for any interested publics who wish to address the Council.

On May 27, 2004, the RAC will tour the Muleshoe Ranch Cooperative Management Area, a 55,000-acre ranch jointly owned and managed by The Nature Conservancy, the U.S. Forest Service, and the Bureau of Land Management, from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Elaine Y. Zielinski,

Arizona State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service (MMS)

Availability of Revised Outer Continental Shelf Leasing Map

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service, Interior.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that effective with this publication, the following NAD 27-based Outer Continental Shelf Leasing Map last revised on the date indicated, is on file and available for information only, in the Gulf of Mexico OCS Regional Office, New Orleans, Louisiana. In accordance with Title 43, Code of Federal Regulations, this map is the basic record for the description of mineral and oil and gas lease sales in the geographic area it represents.