

Management and Budget (OMB) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior via e-mail to OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov or fax at 202-395-5806; and identify your submission as 1028-1082. Please also submit a copy of your written comments to Phadrea Ponds, USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer, 2150-C Center Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail); (970) 226-9230 (fax); or pponds@usgs.gov (e-mail). Use OMB Control Number 1028-0082 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bruce Peterjohn by mail at USGS Patuxent Wildlife Research Center, 12100 Beech Forest Rd., Laurel, MD 20708, or by telephone at (301) 497-5646.

I. Supplementary Information

Abstract: The primary role of the Bird Banding Laboratory (BBL) is to support the use of bird banding and banding data by researchers and managers engaged in science, conservation, and management of birds. The BBL collects information using two forms and one electronic database: (1) Application for Federal Bird Banding or Marking Permit, (2) Reporting Encounter of Marked Bird with a Metal Federal Band (*Recovery Report*), and (3) *Bandit*. Application for Federal Bird Banding or Marking Permit is used to identify individuals and evaluate their purpose, need, and qualifications to hold a permit. The Recovery Report is used by individuals that encounter a banded bird to report the information to the banding lab. All of the information on the bird and the person reporting the bird are stored in the Bandit database. Bandit is an electronic database and is the latest in a long series of programs aimed at helping bird banders manage and submit their data for any number of banded birds. The principal use of Bandit is to store and transfer banding data to the BBL and the Canadian Bird Banding Office (BBO) during bird banding operations.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1028-0082.

Title: Bird Banding and Recovery Reports.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondent Obligation: The Recovery Report is voluntary. The Permit Application and Bandit are required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses, universities, organizations, and States.

Estimated Number of Responses: 89,378.

Annual Burden Hours: 28,048 (275 for applications; 4,250 for recovery reports; and 23,523 for *Bandit*).

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden: We have not identified any "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

III. Request for Comments

On February 6, 2009, we published a **Federal Register** notice (74 FR 6304) announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval and soliciting comments. The comment period closed on April 7, 2009. We did not receive any comments in response to that notice.

We again invite comments concerning this ICR on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at anytime. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer: Phadrea Ponds, 970-226-9445.

Dated: July 14, 2009.

Susan D. Haseltine,

Associate Director for Biology, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R1-R-2009-N110]; [1265-0000-10137-S3]

Guam National Wildlife Refuge, Yigo, Guam

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability: draft comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment; notification of open house meetings; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of our draft comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment (Draft CCP/EA) for the Guam National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge) for public review and comment. It describes our proposal for managing the Refuge for the next 15 years. In the Draft CCP/EA we describe alternatives, including our preferred alternative, to manage the Refuge for the 15 years following approval of the final CCP.

DATES: To ensure consideration, we need to receive your written comments by August 24, 2009.

We will hold two public meetings; see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for details.

ADDRESSES: Additional information concerning the Refuge can be found on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/guam/>. You may submit comments, requests for more information, or request for copies of the Draft CCP/EA by any of the following methods.

E-mail:

FW1PlanningComments@fws.gov. Include "Guam Refuge" in the subject line of the message.

Fax: Attn: Project Leader, (671) 335-5098.

U.S. Mail: Project Leader, Guam National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 8134, MOU-3, Dededo, Guam 96912.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Project Leader, (671) 355-5096.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

The unincorporated U.S. territory of Guahan (Guam) is the largest and southernmost island in the Marianas Archipelago, a chain of volcanic islands in Micronesia. Guahan Island is situated in the western Pacific Ocean, approximately 3,800 miles west of Honolulu and 1,500 miles south of Tokyo. The Refuge was established in 1993. It is comprised of three units: The Andersen Air Force Base Overlay Refuge Unit, the Navy Overlay Refuge

Unit (collectively, the overlay units), and the Ritidian Unit. Through cooperative agreements with the U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy, we manage, but do not have exclusive jurisdiction on, the lands that comprise the overlay units. The Ritidian Unit, known to Native Chamorros as Puntan Litekyan, is located on the northern tip of Guam, and encompasses 1,217 acres, including 385 terrestrial acres and 832 acres of submerged offshore area. The Ritidian Unit is the only land over which the Service has exclusive jurisdiction in Guam.

Guam's native wildlife—especially most tropical birds—are conspicuously absent, attributed in large part to the introduction of the brown treesnake (BTS), a non-native species that preys on Guam's native bird species in forested habitats. In 2004 the Service designated critical habitat for the Mariana fruit bat (Fanihi), Guam Micronesian kingfisher (Sihek), and Mariana crow (ã'ga). The 385 terrestrial acres of the Ritidian Unit are the only designated critical habitat on Guam for these species.

The focus of our Guam Refuge Draft CCP/EA is the Ritidian Unit. The U.S. Air Force and the U.S. Navy are preparing Integrated Natural Resource Management Plans (INRMP) that will address resource management for the overlay units. Our CCP/EA and the INRMPs will fulfill CCP requirements for all units of Guam National Wildlife Refuge.

Background

The CCP Process

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee) (Administration Act), as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose for developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year plan for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and our policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years

in accordance with the Administration Act.

Public Outreach

We began the public scoping phase of the planning process for the Draft CCP/EA by publishing a Notice of Intent in the **Federal Register** on July 6, 2007 (72 FR 37037), announcing our intent to complete a CCP/EA for the Refuge and inviting public comments. Our public outreach efforts are described in the following paragraphs.

In July 2007, we distributed Planning Update 1 to our project mailing list and public outlets located near the Refuge.

On July 14, 2007, we held a public scoping meeting at the Refuge office, and from July 15 through July 22, 2007, the Refuge's Visitor Center hosted an informal open house to meet the public and obtain comments on management issues. These opportunities were announced through local media via a press release, on the Refuge's Web site, and in Planning Update 1.

In November 2007, we distributed Planning Update 2, which included a summary of the comments received during the scoping period, a planning schedule, and description of the scope of the project.

Draft Alternatives We Are Considering

The Service identified and evaluated three alternatives for managing the Refuge for the next 15 years, including a No Action Alternative (Alternative A). Brief descriptions of the alternatives follow.

Alternative A (No Action)

This alternative assumes continuation of current management programs and is considered the base from which to compare the action alternatives.

Alternative B (Preferred Alternative)

This alternative describes a considerable, but short term increase in the wildlife and habitat management program on the Refuge's Ritidian Unit. The Refuge proposes to construct a multi-species barrier to greatly reduce populations of brown treesnakes, feral ungulates, and non-native pest species on the refuge. Long term maintenance of the program would be less than the program described for Alternative C. Visitor services and historical and cultural resource programs would increase under Alternative B from existing programs.

Alternative C

This alternative describes a modest initial increase in the wildlife and habitat management program on the Ritidian Unit. In it we propose to

develop an ungulate barrier to reduce the number of feral ungulates on the Refuge and to conduct a moderately intense brown treesnake control program. Long term maintenance of the brown treesnake control program would require greater effort than the multi-species barrier described under Alternative B. Visitor services under Alternative C would focus on wildlife-dependent public uses only. In addition, refuge staff would increase the number of off-site environmental education programs. The historical and cultural resources program would remain relatively unchanged from existing programs.

Public Availability of Documents

In addition to the methods listed in **ADDRESSES**, you can obtain copies of the Draft CCP/EA on compact disk upon request from the Refuge at phone number (671) 355–5096. Copies of the Draft CCP/EA may also be reviewed at the Refuge. The Draft CCP/EA is also available for viewing and downloading on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/guam/>. Printed copies will be available for review at the following libraries: Hagåtña Library, 254 Martyr Street, Hagåtña, Guam 96910–5141; and Dededo Library, 283 West Santa Barbara Avenue, Dededo, Guam 96912.

Public Meetings

Two Public Meetings will be held to provide people an opportunity to learn more about the alternatives analyzed in the Draft CCP/EA. Public comments will be collected and recorded at the meetings. Meeting dates, times, and locations follow.

1. August 4, 2009, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Dededo Community Center, 319 Iglesia Circle, Dededo, Guam 96929.

2. August 6, 2009, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Hagatna Community Center, 236 East O'Brian Drive, Hagatna, Guam 96910.

Submitting Comments

Public comments are requested on the Draft CCP/EA, and will be considered and incorporated throughout the planning process. Comments on the Draft CCP/EA will be analyzed by the Service and addressed in final planning documents. All comments received from individuals become part of the official public record and may be released. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, (5 U.S.C. 552), NEPA regulations, and Service and Department of the Interior policies and procedures.

Next Steps

We will consider the comments we receive during the current comment period and the comments we received during the earlier stages of the planning process, and address them in the final CCP and decision document.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: June 8, 2009.

David J. Wesley,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

General Management Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park, Virginia

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102 (2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, the National Park Service is preparing a General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for the Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park (FSNMP). The park comprises approximately 8,382 acres, in the commonwealth of Virginia, in the city of Fredericksburg, and in the counties of Spotsylvania, Stafford, Orange, and Caroline.

Prepared by park staff and planners in the NPS Northeast Region, with assistance from advisors and consultants, the GMP/EIS will propose a long-term approach to managing the FSNMP. Consistent with the park's purpose, NPS policy, and other laws and regulations, alternatives will be developed to guide the management of the park over the next 15 to 20 years.

The GMP/EIS will address a range of management alternatives for natural and cultural resource protection, visitor use and interpretation, park carrying capacity, facilities development and operations. A "no action" alternative will also be considered and an agency preferred management alternative identified. The alternatives will incorporate various zoning and management prescriptions to ensure resource preservation and public appreciation of the park. The environmental consequences that could result from implementing the various alternatives will be evaluated for cultural and natural resources, visitor experience, park operations, and the socioeconomic environment. Major issues to be explored include: measures for the preservation of resources; indications of the types and general intensities of development; identification of, and implementation commitments for, visitor carrying capacities; and indications of potential boundary modifications.

Meeting Notices: The public is invited to express views, issues and concerns about the long-term management of FSNMP early in the process through public meetings and other media; and will have an opportunity to review and comment on a draft GMP/EIS. Public scoping meetings will be scheduled and consist of a discussion of the GMP/EIS process including ways that the public can be involved in providing and receiving information, and reviewing and commenting upon the draft GMP/EIS. The place and time of public scoping meetings will be announced by the NPS and noticed in local newspapers serving the area. Scoping and other periodic public meeting notices and information regarding the GMP/EIS will also be placed on the NPS Planning, Environment and Public Comment (PEPC) Web site (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/frsp>) for continuing public review and comment.

ADDRESSES: Information related to ongoing public involvement opportunities will be provided online at the FSNMP Web site (<http://www.nps.gov/frsp>) and on the NPS PEPC Web site (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/frsp>). Requests to be added to the project mailing list may be made electronically through the NPS PEPC Web site or by directing requests to the contacts listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Russ Smith, Superintendent, Fredericksburg and Spotsylvania National Military Park, 120 Chatham Lane, Fredericksburg, VA 22405-2508, Telephone: 540-371-0802.

Megan Lang, Community Planner/Project Manager, National Park Service, Park Planning and Special Studies, 200 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19106, Telephone: 215-597-8875.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: If you wish to comment on the GMP/EIS, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to contacts listed above or you may submit comments electronically through the NPS PEPC Web site (<http://parkplanning.nps.gov/frsp>). Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Michael T. Reynolds,

Deputy Regional Director, Northeast Region, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Governors Island National Monument, New York, NY

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a Record of Decision on the Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for Governors Island National Monument.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the Record of Decision for the Final General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for Governors Island National Monument, New York. On June 1, 2009, the Regional Director, Northeast Region, approved the Record of Decision for the GMP/EIS, selecting Alternative D, The Harbor Center, which was described as the preferred alternative in the Final GMP/EIS issued on April 26, 2009. As soon as practicable, the NPS will begin to implement the selected alternative. The National Monument will be developed as a Harbor Center with partners as a hub of activities and a