

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Alaska Native Claims Selection**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

SUMMARY: As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving the conveyance of surface estate only for certain lands pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be issued to The Aleut Corporation for 32.15 acres located on Adak Island, Alaska. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Anchorage Daily News.

DATES: The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until March 25, 2010 to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR Part 4, Subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the decision may be obtained from: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7504.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Bureau of Land Management by phone at 907-271-5960, or by e-mail at ak.blm.conveyance@ak.blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact the Bureau of Land Management.

Dina L. Torres,*Land Transfer Resolution Specialist,
Resolution Branch.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Reclamation****Change in Discount Rate for Water Resources Planning****AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of change.

SUMMARY: The Water Resources Planning Act of 1965 and the Water Resources Development Act of 1974 require an annual determination of a discount rate for Federal water resources planning. The discount rate for Federal water resources planning for fiscal year 2010 is 4.375 percent. Discounting is to be used to convert future monetary values to present values.

DATES: This discount rate is to be used for the period October 1, 2009 through and including September 30, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brooke Miller-Levy, Water and Environmental Resources Office, Denver, Colorado 80225; *telephone:* 303-445-2889.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the interest rate to be used by Federal agencies in the formulation and evaluation of plans for water and related land resources is 4.375 percent for fiscal year 2010.

This rate has been computed in accordance with Section 80(a), Public Law 93-251 (88 Stat. 34) and 18 CFR 704.39, which: (1) Specify that the rate will be based upon the average yield during the preceding fiscal year on interest-bearing marketable securities of the United States which, at the time the computation is made, have terms of 15 years or more remaining to maturity (average yield is rounded to nearest one-eighth percent); and (2) provide that the rate will not be raised or lowered more than one-quarter of 1 percent for any year. The Treasury Department calculated the specified average to be 3.9910 percent. This average value is then rounded to the nearest one-eighth of a point, resulting in 4.0 percent. This exceeds the permissible one-quarter of 1 percent change from fiscal year 2009 to 2010. Therefore, the change is limited to a one-quarter percent decrease.

The rate of 4.375 percent will be used by all Federal agencies in the formulation and evaluation of water and related land resources plans for the purpose of discounting future benefits and computing costs or otherwise converting benefits and costs to a common-time basis.

Dated: February 9, 2010.

Roseann Gonzales,*Director, Policy and Administration, Denver Office.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

[FWS-R8-R-2009-N261; 80230-1265-0000-S3]

Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Mateo Counties, CA**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), intend to prepare a Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge located in Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Mateo Counties of California. We provide this notice in compliance with our CCP policy to advise other Federal and State agencies, Tribes, and the public of our intentions, and to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to consider in the planning process.

DATES: To ensure consideration, we must receive your written comments by April 26, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments or requests for more information by any of the following methods.

E-mail: sfbaynwrc@fws.gov. Include "Don Edwards San Francisco Bay CCP" in the subject line of the message.

Fax: Attn: Winnie Chan, (510) 792-5828.

U.S. Mail: San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex, 9500 Thornton Avenue, Newark, CA 94560.

In-Person Drop-off: You may drop off comments during regular business hours; please call (510) 792-0222 for directions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Winnie Chan, Refuge Planner, or Eric Mruz, Refuge Manager, at (510) 792-0222 or sfbaynwrc@fws.gov. Further information may also be found at <http://www.fws.gov/desfbay>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Introduction**

With this notice, we initiate our process for developing a CCP for Don Edwards San Francisco Bay NWR in Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Mateo Counties, CA. This notice complies with our CCP policy to (1) advise other Federal and State agencies, Tribes, and the public of our intention to conduct

detailed planning on this refuge and (2) obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to consider in the environmental document and during development of the CCP.

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.

Each unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System was established for specific purposes. We use these purposes as the foundation for developing and prioritizing the management goals and objectives for each refuge within the National Wildlife Refuge System mission, and to determine how the public can use each refuge. The planning process is a way for us and the public to evaluate management goals, objectives, and strategies that will ensure the best possible approach to wildlife, plant, and habitat conservation, while providing for wildlife-dependent recreation opportunities that are compatible with each refuge's establishing purposes and the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Our CCP process provides opportunities for participation by Tribal, State, and local governments; agencies; organizations; and the public. We will be contacting identified stakeholders and individuals at this time for initial input. If you would like to meet with planning staff or would like to receive periodic updates, please contact us (*see ADDRESSES* section). We anticipate holding public meetings for initial comments and when alternative management scenarios have been

identified. At this time we encourage comments in the form of issues, concerns, ideas, and suggestions for the future management of Don Edwards San Francisco Bay NWR.

We will conduct the environmental review of this project in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); NEPA regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508); other appropriate Federal laws and regulations; and our policies and procedures for compliance with those laws and regulations.

Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge

Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge was created by Congress under Public Law 92–330 in 1972, but we did not acquire any lands within the Refuge until 1974. The Refuge was established to preserve and enhance wildlife habitat, protect migratory birds, protect threatened and endangered species, and provide opportunities for wildlife-dependent recreation and environmental education under several acts, including the Act Authorizing the Transfer of Certain Real Property for Wildlife, or other purposes (16 U.S.C. 667b), Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1537), and the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742f(b)(1)). The 30,000-acre Don Edwards San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge, located in Alameda, Santa Clara, and San Mateo Counties of California, consists of several non contiguous parcels divided into four management units that surround the southern edge of the San Francisco Bay.

Scoping: Preliminary Issues, Concerns, and Opportunities

We have identified preliminary issues, concerns, and opportunities that we may address in the CCP. These include: Wildlife management, habitat management, wildlife-dependent recreation, environmental education, and cultural resources. During public scoping, we may identify additional issues.

Public Meetings

We will give the public an opportunity to provide input at a public meeting (or meetings). You can obtain the schedule from the refuge planner or refuge manager (*see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT*). You may also submit comments or request a meeting during the planning process by mail, e-mail, or fax (*see ADDRESSES*). There will be additional opportunities to provide public input once we have prepared a draft CCP.

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: February 11, 2010.

Ken McDermond,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific Southwest Region, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS–R4–R–2009–N240; 40136–1265–0000–S3]

Bond Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, Bibb and Twiggs Counties, GA

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability: Final comprehensive conservation plan and finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of our final comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and finding of no significant impact (FONSI) for the environmental assessment for Bond Swamp National Wildlife Refuge (NWR). In the final CCP, we describe how we will manage this refuge for the next 15 years.

ADDRESSES: You may obtain a copy of the CCP by writing to: Ms. Carolyn Johnson, Assistant Refuge Manager, Bond Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, 718 Round Oak-Juliette Road, Round Oak, GA 31038. You may also access and download the document from the Service's Internet Web site: <http://southeast.fws.gov/planning/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Carolyn Johnson; telephone: 478/986–5441; fax: 478/986–9646; e-mail: piedmont@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we finalize the CCP process for Bond Swamp NWR. We started this process through a notice in the **Federal Register** on May 16, 2007 (72 FR 27586). For more about the process, see that notice.