

sodalis) for the purpose of conducting presence/absence surveys and collecting scientific data. This work will be conducted throughout the range of these species.

Permit Application Number: TE-139474

Applicant: FTN Associates, LTD., Little Rock, Arkansas.

Applicant requests authorization for non-lethal take of American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) while conducting presence/absence surveys in the State of Kansas.

Permit Application Number: TE-65550A

Applicant: Dale Gawlik, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, Florida.

Applicant requests authorization to capture and collect biological specimens from wood storks (*Mycteria Americana*) while conducting scientific research in Dade and Collier Counties, Florida.

Permit Application Number: TE-171516

Applicant: Copperhead Environmental Consulting, Paint Lick, Kentucky.

Applicant requests the addition of Missouri, Indiana, Illinois and Ohio to the location authorized for conducting presence/absence surveys and scientific investigation on listed freshwater mussel species and authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for the blackside dace (*Chrosomus cumberlandensis*).

Permit Application Number: TE-65968A

Applicant: Jason Dickey, Tallahassee, Florida.

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys on the following freshwater mussel species:

Fat threeridge *Amblema neislerii*.
Shinyrayed pocketbook *Hamiota subangulata*.

Gulf moccasinshell *Medionidus penicillatus*.

Ochlockonee moccasinshell *Medionidus simpsonianus*.

Oval pigtoe *Pleurobema pyriforme*.

Chipola slabshell *Elliptio chipolaensis*.

Purple bankclimber *Margaritifera marrianae*.

These surveys will be conducted in Alabama, Georgia and Florida.

Permit Application Number: TE-66039A

Applicant: Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, Benton, Arkansas.

Applicant requests authorization to take (non-lethally) the Ozark hellbender (*Cryptobranchus alleganiensis bishop*) for the purpose of scientific research. This activity will take place in Arkansas.

Dated: March 5, 2012.

Mark J. Musaus,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R9-FHC-2012-N037: 94140-1341-0000-N5]

Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Meeting

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) Task Force. The ANS Task Force's purpose is to develop and implement a program for U.S. waters to prevent introduction and dispersal of aquatic nuisance species; to monitor, control, and study such species; and to disseminate related information. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The ANS Task Force will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., from Wednesday, May 2 through Thursday May 3, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The ANS Task Force meeting will take place at the O'Callaghan Annapolis Hotel, 174 West Street, Annapolis, MD 21401 (410-263-7700). You may inspect minutes of the meeting at the office of the Chief, Division of Fisheries and Aquatic Resource Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203, during regular business hours, Monday through Friday. You may also view the minutes on the ANS Task Force Web site at: <http://anstaskforce.gov/meetings.php>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Mangin, Executive Secretary, ANS Task Force, at (703) 358-2466, or by email at Susan_Mangin@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), this notice announces meetings of the ANS Task Force. The ANS Task Force was established by the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 106-580, as amended).

Agenda

Topics that the ANS Task Force plans to cover during the meeting include:

- ANSTF Strategic Plan
- ANSTF Recreational Guidelines

- Nutria
- Landscape Conservation Cooperatives

- Impact of Fish Passage on the Movement of ANS.

The agenda and other related meeting information are on the ANS Task Force Web site at: <http://anstaskforce.gov/meetings.php>.

Accessibility Information

The meeting location is accessible to wheelchair users. If you require additional accommodations, please notify us at least 1 week in advance of the meeting.

Authority

We publish this notice under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.)

Dated: March 6, 2012.

Jeffrey Underwood,

Acting Co-Chair, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, Deputy Assistant Director—Fisheries and Habitat Conservation.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AA-11785; LLAk-965000-L1410000-HY0000-P]

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 the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will issue an appealable decision to Ahtna, Incorporated. The decision will approve the conveyance of the surface and subsurface estates in certain lands pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*). The lands are located northwesterly of Mentasta, Alaska, and contain 7.25 acres. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the *Anchorage Daily News*.

DATES: Any party claiming a property interest in the lands affected by the decision may appeal the decision within the following time limits:

1. Unknown parties, parties unable to be located after reasonable efforts have been expended to locate, parties who fail or refuse to sign their return receipt, and parties who receive a copy of the decision by regular mail which is not certified, return receipt requested, shall