

*Agenda:* 1:1 Sessions with Investigators.  
*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 28, 2023, 12:40 p.m. to 1:40 p.m.

*Agenda:* Working Lunch.  
*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Open:* August 28, 2023, 1:40 p.m. to 2:55 p.m.

*Agenda:* Poster Session.  
*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 28, 2023, 2:55 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* Closed Session with Fellows and Staff Scientists.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Open:* August 28, 2023, 3:45 p.m. to 5:25 p.m.

*Agenda:* Q & A Session.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 28, 2023, 5:25 p.m. to 5:55 p.m.

*Agenda:* 1:1 Sessions with Investigator.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Open:* August 29, 2023, 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m.

*Agenda:* Meeting Overview and Q & A Session.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Open:* August 29, 2023, 10:00 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

*Agenda:* Q & A Session.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 29, 2023, 11:40 a.m. to 12:25 p.m.

*Agenda:* 1:1 Session with Investigator.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 29, 2023, 12:25 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* Working Lunch.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell

Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 29, 2023, 1:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

*Agenda:* Session with Core Director.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 29, 2023, 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

*Agenda:* Closed BSC Discussion.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Closed:* August 29, 2023, 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.

*Agenda:* Closed—Debriefing to NIEHS/DIR Leadership.

*Place:* National Institute Environmental Health Sciences, Building 101, Rodbell Auditorium, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (Hybrid Meeting).

*Contact Person:* Darryl C. Zeldin, Scientific Director & Principal Investigator, Division of Intramural Research, National Institute of Environmental Sciences, NIH, 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Mail drop MSC A2-09, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, 919-541-1169, [zeldin@niehs.nih.gov](mailto:zeldin@niehs.nih.gov).

Any interested person may file written comments with the committee by forwarding the statement to the Contact Person listed on this notice. The statement should include the name, address, telephone number and when applicable, the business or professional affiliation of the interested person.

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(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation—Health Risks from Environmental Exposures; 93.142, NIEHS Hazardous Waste Worker Health and Safety Training; 93.143, NIEHS Superfund Hazardous Substances—Basic Research and Education; 93.894, Resources and Manpower Development in the Environmental Health Sciences; 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Health Hazards; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: July 14, 2023.

**Miguelina Perez,**

*Program Analyst, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R8-ES-2023-0076;  
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#### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Draft Habitat Conservation Plan and Draft Categorical Exclusion; Blacklake Sewer System Consolidation Project, San Luis Obispo County, CA

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce receipt of an application from Nipomo Community Service District (Applicant) for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the Endangered Species Act. The Applicant requests the ITP to take the California red-legged frog (*Rana draytonii*) incidental to the construction of a new lift station and associated facilities to decommission the existing Blacklake Wastewater Reclamation Facility, in San Luis Obispo County, California. We request public comment on the application, which includes the Applicant's proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP), and the Service's preliminary determination that the proposed permitting action may be eligible for a categorical exclusion pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations, the Department of the Interior's (DOI) NEPA regulations, and the DOI Departmental Manual. To make this preliminary determination, we prepared a draft environmental action statement and low-effect screening form, both of which are also available for public review. We invite comment from the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments on or before August 18, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Obtaining Documents:* The documents this notice announces, as well as any comments and other materials that we receive, will be available for public inspection online in Docket No. FWS-R8-ES-2023-0076 at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

*Submitting Comments:* If you wish to submit comments on any of the documents, you may do so in writing by any of the following methods:

- *Online:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on Docket No. FWS-R8-ES-2023-0076.

• *U.S. mail*: Public Comments Processing; Attn: Docket No. FWS–R8–ES–2023–0076; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; MS; PRB/3W; 5275 Leesburg Pike; Falls Church, VA 22041–3803.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kirby Bartlett, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, [kirby\\_bartlett@fws.gov](mailto:kirby_bartlett@fws.gov) (by electronic mail), or at the Ventura Fish and Wildlife office (by telephone) at 805–644–1766. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services.

Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce receipt of an application from Nipomo Community Service District (Applicant) for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The Applicant requests the ITP to take the California red-legged frog (*Rana draytonii*) incidental to activities associated with the decommissioning of the Blacklake Wastewater Reclamation Facility (WRF) and the construction of a lift station to divert wastewater in San Luis Obispo County, California. We request public comment on the application, which includes the Applicant's proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP), and on the Service's preliminary determination that this proposed ITP qualifies as "low effect," and may qualify for a categorical exclusion pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality's National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations (40 CFR 1501.4), the Department of the Interior's (DOI) NEPA regulations (43 CFR part 46), and the DOI's Departmental Manual (516 DM 8.5(C)(2)). To make this preliminary determination, we prepared a draft environmental action statement and low-effect screening form, both of which are also available for public review.

**Background**

The Service listed the California red-legged frog as threatened on May 23, 1996 (61 FR 25813). Section 9 of the ESA prohibits "take" of fish and wildlife species listed as endangered (16 U.S.C. 1538), where take is defined to include the following activities: "to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct" (16 U.S.C. 1532). Under

section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1539(a)(1)(B)), we may issue permits to authorize take of listed fish and wildlife species that is incidental to, and not the purpose of, carrying out an otherwise lawful activity. Regulations governing incidental take permits for endangered and threatened species are in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.22 and 17.32, respectively. Issuance of an ITP also must not jeopardize the existence of federally listed fish, wildlife, or plant species. The permittee would receive assurances under our "No Surprises" regulations (50 CFR 17.22(b)(5) and 17.32(b)(5)).

**Applicant's Proposed Activities**

The Applicant has applied for a permit for incidental take of California red-legged frog. The take would occur in association with activities necessary for the decommissioning of the Blacklake WRF and the construction of a lift station to divert wastewater. The California red-legged frog has a known breeding population adjacent to the Blacklake WRF, in a wastewater effluent pond on a private golf course. The proposed decommissioning of the Blacklake WRF will result in the elimination of the primary water source maintaining the adjacent effluent storage pond. Therefore, it is assumed that it will no longer provide suitable aquatic breeding habitat for the species.

The HCP includes avoidance and minimization measures for the California red-legged frog and mitigation for unavoidable loss of occupied habitat. The Applicant has proposed a one-time fixed payment to fund conservation activities for the California red-legged frog to compensate for unavoidable impacts.

**Public Availability of Comments**

Before including your address, phone number, email 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 view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Our Preliminary Determination**

The Service has made a preliminary determination that the Applicant's proposed project would individually and cumulatively have a minor effect on the California red-legged frog and the human environment. Therefore, we have preliminarily determined that the proposed ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit

would be a "low-effect" ITP that individually or cumulatively would have a minor effect on the species and may qualify for application of a categorical exclusion pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality's NEPA regulations, DOI's NEPA regulations, and the DOI Departmental Manual. A "low-effect" ITP is one that would result in (1) minor or nonsignificant effects on species covered in the HCP; (2) nonsignificant effects on the human environment; and (3) impacts that, when added together with the impacts of other past, present, and reasonable foreseeable actions, would not result in significant cumulative effects to the human environment.

**Next Steps**

The Service will evaluate the application and the comments received to determine whether to issue the requested ITP. We will also conduct an intra-Service consultation pursuant to section 7 of the ESA to evaluate the effects of the proposed take. After considering the preceding and other matters, we will determine whether the permit issuance criteria of section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA have been met. If met, the Service will issue the ITP.

**Authority**

The Service provides this notice under section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.32) and the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508 and 43 CFR part 46).

**Stephen P. Henry,**

*Field Supervisor, Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office, Ventura, California.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Office of the Secretary**

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**Notice of Public Meeting of the Invasive Species Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** National Invasive Species Council, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that a public meeting of the Invasive Species Advisory Committee (ISAC) will meet as indicated below.