

for public benefits. While SAVE can verify that an individual has TPS or a pending TPS application, each agency's procedures govern whether they will accept an unexpired EAD, Form I-797, Form I-797C, or Form I-94. If an agency accepts the type of TPS-related document you present, such as an EAD, the agency should accept your automatically extended EAD, regardless of the country of birth listed on the EAD. It may assist the agency if you:

a. Give the agency a copy of the relevant **Federal Register** notice showing the extension of TPS-related documentation in addition to your recent TPS-related document with your A-Number, USCIS number, or Form I-94 number;

b. Explain that SAVE will be able to verify the continuation of your TPS using this information; and

c. Ask the agency to initiate a SAVE query with your information and follow through with additional verification steps, if necessary, to get a final SAVE response verifying your TPS.

You can also ask the agency to look for SAVE notices or contact SAVE if they have any questions about your immigration status or automatic extension of TPS-related documentation. In most cases, SAVE provides an automated electronic response to benefit-granting agencies within seconds, but occasionally verification can be delayed.

You can check the status of your SAVE verification by using CaseCheck at <https://save.uscis.gov/casecheck/>. CaseCheck is a free service that lets you follow the progress of your SAVE verification case using your date of birth and one immigration identifier number (such as your A-Number, USCIS number, or Form I-94 number) or Verification Case Number. If an agency has denied your application based solely or in part on a SAVE response, the agency must allow you to appeal the decision in accordance with the agency's procedures. If the agency has received and acted on or will act on a SAVE verification and you do not

believe the SAVE response is correct, the SAVE website, <https://www.uscis.gov/save>, has detailed information on how to correct or update your immigration record, make an appointment, or submit a written request to correct records.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R5-ES-2024-N018; FXES11130500000-245-FF05E00000]

Endangered Species; Receipt of Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have received applications for permits to conduct activities intended to enhance the propagation or survival of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act. We invite the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on these applications. Before issuing the requested permits, we will take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

DATES: We must receive any written comments on or before April 24, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Use one of the following methods to request documents or submit comments. Requests and comments should specify the applicant's name and application number (e.g., PER0001234):

- *Email:* permitsR5ES@fws.gov.
- *U.S. Mail:* Abby Goldstein,

Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Dr., Hadley, MA 01035.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Abby Goldstein, 413-253-8212 (phone),

or permitsR5ES@fws.gov (email). 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 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on applications for permits under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The requested permits would allow the applicants to conduct activities intended to promote recovery of species that are listed as endangered under the ESA.

Background

With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits activities that constitute take of listed species, unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activity. The ESA's definition of "take" includes such activities as pursuing, harassing, trapping, capturing, or collecting, in addition to hunting, shooting, harming, wounding, or killing.

A recovery permit issued by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes that promote recovery or for enhancement of propagation or survival of the species. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Permit Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies; Tribes; and the public to comment on the following applications.

Application No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
PER7305940-0	Robert E. Adelstein, Huntington, WV.	Indiana bat (<i>Myotis sodalis</i>), northern long-eared bat (<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>), gray bat (<i>Myotis grisescens</i>), tricolored bat (<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>).	Alabama, Arkansas, Arizona, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Texas, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.	Capture, band, telemetry, noninvasive measurements, release.	Capture, collect.	New.

Application No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
PER1745522-1	Zeinab Haidar, Arcata, CA.	Indiana bat (<i>Myotis sodalis</i>), northern long-eared bat (<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>), gray bat (<i>Myotis grisescens</i>), tricolored bat (<i>Perimyotis subflavus</i>).	Add: Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Wisconsin, and Wyoming.	Capture, band, telemetry, noninvasive measurements, wing punch, release.	Capture, collect.	Amend.
PER1541934-1	Audubon Sea bird Institute, Bremen, ME; Donald Lyons.	Roseate tern (<i>Sterna dougallii dougallii</i>).	Add: New Hampshire	Capture and band adults and chicks, telemetry, research, release.	Capture	Amend.
PER8719125-0	Audubon Sea Bird Institute, Bremen, ME; Donald Lyons.	Roseate tern (<i>Sterna dougallii dougallii</i>).	Maine	Capture and band adults and chicks, mark chicks, release, salvage.	Capture	New.
PER9408441-0	Luke Fultz, Huntingdon, PA.	Indiana bat (<i>Myotis sodalis</i>), northern long-eared bat (<i>Myotis septentrionalis</i>), gray bat (<i>Myotis grisescens</i>).	Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.	Capture, band, telemetry, non-invasive measurements, light-tag, release.	Capture, collect, wound.	New.
ES37632D-1	U.S. Forest Service, Monongahela National Forest, Bartow, WV; Chad Landress.	Candy darter (<i>Etheostoma osburni</i>).	West Virginia	Electrofishing, survey, monitor, release.	Capture	Renew.
PER8716069-0	West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, Charleston, WV; Gary Rogers.	Candy darter (<i>Etheostoma osburni</i>).	West Virginia	Electrofishing, fin clip, release.	Capture, collect.	New.

Public Availability of Comments

Written comments we receive become part of the administrative record associated with this action. 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 request in your comment that we withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Moreover, all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Next Steps

If we decide to issue permits to the applicants listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**.

Authority

Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Martin Miller,

Manager, Division of Endangered Species, Ecological Services, Northeast Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Ocean Energy Management

[Docket No. BOEM-2024-0009]

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Vineyard Northeast Project on the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf Offshore Massachusetts

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) announces its intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for a

construction and operations plan (COP) of a proposed offshore wind energy project submitted by Vineyard Northeast, LLC (Vineyard Northeast). This notice of intent (NOI) initiates the public scoping and comment process under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), and their respective implementing regulations. Vineyard Northeast proposes to construct and operate the project in Renewable Energy Lease Area OCS-A 0522 (Lease Area), which encompasses approximately 132,370 acres and is located approximately 29 miles from Nantucket and approximately 39 miles from Martha's Vineyard, offshore of Massachusetts. Vineyard Northeast proposes to develop the entire Lease Area.

DATES: Your comments must be received by BOEM no later than May 9, 2024 for timely consideration. BOEM will hold two in-person and two virtual public scoping meetings at the following dates and times (eastern time):

In Person:

- Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 5 p.m.–9 p.m., Clark Auditorium, Mitchell