

hazing) the peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) throughout the species range in conjunction with scientific research on peregrine falcons, especially with regard to their interactions with California least tern (*Sterna albifrons browni*) colonies and western snowy plovers (*Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus*), for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

#### Permit No. 783928

**Applicant:** California Department of Transportation, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture, handle, and release) the desert pupfish (*Cyprinodon macularius*) in Imperial and Riverside Counties, California, in conjunction with presence or absence surveys, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

#### Permit No. 785148

**Applicant:** Ogden Environmental, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture, handle, and release) the San Bernardino kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys merriami parvus*) and the Amargosa vole (*Mocrotus californicus scirpensis*), and take (harass by survey) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) and the southwestern willow flycatcher *Empidonax traillii extimus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and ecological research throughout each species' range, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

**DATES:** Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before August 3, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Division of Consultation and Conservation Planning, Ecological Services, Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181; Fax: (503) 231-6243. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments, including names and addresses, received will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above; telephone:

(503) 231-2063. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

Dated: June 24, 1998.

**John H. Doebl,**

*Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Big Game Guiding on National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska

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

**ACTION:** Notice of solicitation.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is soliciting proposals to conduct commercial big game guide services on several national wildlife refuges in Alaska.

**DATES:** Proposals should be postmarked by Monday, November 16, 1998, or hand delivered to the respective refuge manager by Friday, November 20, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail proposals to the refuge manager at the appropriate refuge as listed in the section, **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tony Booth, Division of Refuges, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska, 99503; telephone (907) 786-3357 [TTY: (907) 786-3552].

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is requesting proposals to conduct commercial big game guide services within use areas on several National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska. These offerings are for use areas which have become vacant or may become vacant soon. Big game guiding services will be authorized on these areas for the period July 1, 1999, through June 30, 2004. Authorizations to conduct guiding services in these areas will be awarded through a competitive selection process.

The offerings will include the following guide use areas:

Alaska Peninsula/Becharof Refuge—BCH-06, AKP-09

Address: Refuge Manager, Alaska Peninsula/Becharof National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 277, King Salmon, Alaska 99613.

Arctic Refuge—ARC-01, 02, 15

Address: Refuge Manager, Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, 101 12th

Avenue, Box 20, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.

Innoko Refuge—INN-03

Address: Refuge Manager, Innoko National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 69, McGrath, Alaska 99627.

Kanuti Refuge—KAN-01

Address: Refuge Manager, Kanuti National Wildlife Refuge, 101 12th Avenue, Room 112, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.

Kenai Refuge—KEN-02, 03

Address: Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 2139, Soldotna, Alaska 99699-2139.

Koyukuk Refuge—KOY-02

Address: Koyukuk/Nowitna National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 287, Galena, Alaska 99741.

Selawik Refuge—SEL-01

Address: Selawik National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 270, Kotzebue, Alaska 99752.

The Service is also requesting proposals for the following refuge guide use areas where the Service proposes to not renew existing guiding permits. Interested qualified guides who apply for the following use areas should be aware that the availability of these areas is uncertain at this time because existing permittees may seek reconsideration or appeal a decision to not renew their permits. Since the Service does not plan to issue a separate notice for these tentative offerings, interested parties should submit proposals in response to this notice. These tentative offerings include the following areas:

Alaska Peninsula/Becharof Refuge—BCH-02, 03

Address: Alaska Peninsula/Becharof National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 277, King Salmon, Alaska 99613.

Arctic Refuge—ARC-08

Address: Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, 101 12th Avenue, Box 20, Fairbanks, Alaska, 99701.

Izembek Refuge—IZM-02

Address: Izembek National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 127, Cold Bay, Alaska 99571-0127.

Kodiak Refuge—KOD-14, 15

Address: Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, 1390 Buskin River Road, Kodiak, Alaska 99615.

Koyukuk Refuge—KOY-03

Address: Koyukuk/Nowitna National Wildlife Refuge, Post Office Box 287, Galena, Alaska 99741.

A letter announcing these offerings is being sent to all State of Alaska registered big game guides. Proposals must be postmarked by Monday, November 16, 1998 or hand delivered to the appropriate refuge manager by 4:30

p.m., Alaska Standard Time, Friday, November 20, 1998.

Copies of the solicitation are available to any interested party by calling or writing the above telephone number/address.

Dated: June 11, 1998.

**David B. Allen,**

*Regional Director, Anchorage, Alaska.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[BLM-070-98-1430-00-P]

#### Emergency Closure of Public Lands to Motorized Vehicles Within the Butte Field Office, Butte, MT

**AGENCY:** Butte Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

**ACTION:** Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to 43 CFR 8340.0-3, 8341.2(a), and 8364.1, the following closure shall take effect immediately in the area described in this notice within the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management until the Whitetail-Pipestone Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is completed with public involvement.

The following described lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management in the Whitetail-Pipestone project area are limited to use of existing roads and trails for all motorized vehicles, except snowmobiles. All existing roads and trails are open unless signed otherwise. These lands are bordered on the west by U.S. Interstate 15 from Butte to Boulder, on the east by the Whitetail Road from Boulder to Whitehall, and on the south by Highway 2 from Whitehall to Butte.

The purpose of the closure is to protect cultural resources and riparian areas, reduce erosion and new spread of noxious weeds in the area, and stop the proliferation of user-created trails. Most of the existing roads and trails will be open in the area during the closure order.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 8340.0-4, the following use is exempt from this order:

- (1) Any military, fire, emergency, or law-enforcement vehicle that is being used for emergency purposes;
  - (2) Any vehicle whose use is expressly authorized by the Authorized Officer or otherwise officially approved; and
  - (3) Vehicles in official use.
- More specifically, these lands are:

#### All BLM lands north of Highway 2 and south of Interstate 90 as follows:

N $\frac{1}{2}$ N $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 6, T. 1 N., R. 5 W.  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , of Sec. 2; N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 3; N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 4; S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 9; S $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 10; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 11; NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 12; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 14; T. 1 N., R. 6 W.  
Secs. 23, 24, 25, 26, and 35 of T. 2 N., R. 6 W.  
S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 19; all of Secs. 30 and 31; S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 32, T. 2 N., R. 5 W.

#### All BLM lands north of Interstate 90 and south of the township line between T. 2 N. and T. 3 N. as follows:

N $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , of Sec. 6; W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 18, NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 26, T. 2 N., R. 4 W.  
All of Secs. 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10; SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 14; all of Secs. 15, 17, and 18; NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 19; N $\frac{1}{2}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 20; N $\frac{1}{2}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 21; N $\frac{1}{2}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 22; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 24, T. 2 N., R. 5 W.

#### All BLM lands north of the township line between T. 2 N. and T. 3 N., south of the township line between T. 4 N. and T. 5 N., and west of the Whitetail Road as follows:

All of Secs. 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, and 24 except mining claims in Sec. 11, T. 2 N., R. 6 W.  
NW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 4; all of Sec. 6; W $\frac{1}{2}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 8; W $\frac{1}{2}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 32, T. 3 N., R. 4 W.  
All of Secs. 25, 26, and 35, T. 3 N., R. 5 W.  
E $\frac{1}{2}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 4; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 5; NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 8; W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 17; W $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 20; N $\frac{1}{2}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 28; all of Secs. 30 and 31, T. 4 N., R. 4 W.

#### All BLM lands north of the township line between T. 4 N. and T. 5 N., south of Interstate 15, and west of Highway 69 that runs between Boulder and Whitehall, as follows:

SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 19; SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 30; W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , N $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 32, T. 5 N., R. 3 W.  
W $\frac{1}{2}$  of Sec. 5; all of Sec. 6; W $\frac{1}{2}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 8; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 13; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 14, T. 5 N., R. 4 W.  
W $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 31; SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 32, T. 6 N., R. 4 W.

#### All BLM lands south of U.S. Interstate 15 as follows:

S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 15; S $\frac{1}{2}$ S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 16; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 17; S $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 22; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ , E $\frac{1}{2}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 23; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 24; W $\frac{1}{2}$ , SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$  of Sec. 25, T. 6 N., R. 5 W.

The authorities for this closure are 43 CFR 8340.0-3, 8341.2, and 8364.1. The closure will remain in effect until the Recreation Management Plan

Environmental Impact Statement for this area is completed.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the closure order and maps showing the location of the closed areas are available from the Bureau of Land Management, Butte Field Office, 106 North Parkmont, P.O. Box 3388, Butte, Montana 59702, telephone 406-494-5059.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Merle Good, Field Manager, Butte Field Office, P.O. Box 3388, Butte, Montana 59702; telephone 406-494-5059.

Dated: June 25, 1998.

**Merle Good,**

*Field Manager.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WY-921-41-5700; WYW138133]

#### Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

June 18, 1998.

Pursuant to the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2-3(a) and (b)(1), a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease WYW138133 for lands in Campbell County, Wyoming, was timely filed and was accompanied by all the required rentals accruing from the date of termination. The lessee has agreed to the amended lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre, or fraction thereof, per year and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$  percent, respectively.

The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and \$125 to reimburse the Department for the cost of this Federal Register notice. The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31 (d) and (e) of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate lease WYW138133 effective February 1, 1998, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

**Pamela J. Lewis,**

*Chief, Leasable Minerals Section.*

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