

*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 bishopi*) 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

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### 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](mailto: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

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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 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

have until April 19, 2012 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.

3. Notices of appeal transmitted by electronic means, such as facsimile or email, will not be accepted as timely filed.

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 BLM by phone at 907-271-5960 or by email at [ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov](mailto:ak.blm.conveyance@blm.gov). Persons who use a Telecommunications Device for the Deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the BLM during normal business hours. In addition, the FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the BLM.

The BLM will reply during normal business hours.

**Dina L. Torres,**

*Land Transfer Resolution Specialist, Branch of Land Transfer Adjudication II.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Public Meetings: Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Nevada

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Nevada Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council (RAC), will hold three meetings in Nevada in fiscal year 2012. All meetings are open to the public.

**DATES AND TIMES:** April 19 at the California Trail Interpretive Center, 8 miles west of Elko, Nevada at Hunter exit of Interstate 80; July 19 and 20 at

the BLM Ely District Office, 702 N. Industrial Way, Ely, Nevada; and September 20, at the BLM Battle Mountain District Office, 50 Bastian Road, Battle Mountain, Nevada. Approximate meeting times are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. However, meetings could end earlier if discussions and presentations conclude before 4 p.m. All meetings will include a public comment period at approximately 10 a.m.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lesli Ellis-Wouters, Public Affairs Officer, Elko District Office, 3900 E. Idaho St., Elko, NV 89801. Telephone: (775) 753-0386. Email: [lellis@blm.gov](mailto:lellis@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Nevada. Topics for discussion at each meeting will include, but are not limited to:

- April 19 (Elko)—Rangeland Health Assessments, Battle Mountain Resource Management Plan, greater sage-grouse conservation, and recreation;
- July 19 and 20 (Ely)—field tour to Spring Valley Wind/Falcon-Gonder/Online (SWIP) transmission lines and greater sage-grouse leks;
- September 20 (Battle Mountain)—tour of Shoshone Off-Highway Vehicle trail and wild horse and burro program.

Managers' reports of field office activities will be given at each meeting. The Council may raise other topics at any of the three planned meetings.

Final agendas will be posted on-line at the BLM Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council Web site at [http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/res/resource\\_advisory.html](http://www.blm.gov/nv/st/en/res/resource_advisory.html) and will be published in local and regional media sources at least 14 days before each meeting.

Individuals who need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, or who wish to receive a copy of each agenda, may contact Lesli Ellis-Wouters no later than 10 days prior to each meeting.

**Erica Haspiel-Szlosek,**

*Chief, Office of Communications.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Public Meeting, John Day-Snake Resource Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) John Day-Snake Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below:

**DATES:** The business meeting will be held on May 17, 2012. On May 18, 2012, there will be a field trip to the Denny Flat area.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Geiser Grand Hotel, located at 1996 Main Street, Baker City, Oregon, on May 17, 2012.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Wilkening, Public Affairs Specialist, 100 Oregon Street, Vale, Oregon 97918, (541) 473-6218 or email [mwilkeni@blm.gov](mailto:mwilkeni@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The May 17, 2012, meeting will be held from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) at the Geiser Grand Hotel, in Baker City, Oregon. Topics may include: Blue Mountain Forest Plan, John Day Basin Final, Step-down BLM Vegetation Environmental Impact Statement, Malheur Travel Management, potential update of Deschutes/Ochoco/Crooked River Grassland vegetation plan, updates by Federal managers on litigation, energy projects, and other issues affecting their districts/units and other matters as may reasonably come before the RACs. All RAC meetings are open to the public; time is set aside for oral comments at 1 p.m. on May 17, 2012. Those who verbally address the RAC are asked to provide a *written* statement of their presentation. Unless otherwise approved by the RAC Chair, the public comment period will last no longer than 15 minutes; each speaker may address the RAC for a maximum of five minutes. If reasonable