

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

[FEMA-3213-EM]

Mississippi; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of an Emergency Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of an emergency declaration for the State of Mississippi (FEMA-3213-EM), dated August 28, 2005, and related determinations.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 14, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the incident period for this emergency is closed effective October 14, 2005.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

R. David Paulison,

Acting Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**Federal Emergency Management Agency**

[FEMA-3261-EM]

Texas; Amendment No. 2 to Notice of an Emergency Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of an emergency declaration for the

State of Texas (FEMA-3261-EM), dated September 21, 2005, and related determinations.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 14, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the incident period for this emergency is closed effective October 14, 2005.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individuals and Households Housing; 97.049, Individuals and Households Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individuals and Households Program—Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

R. David Paulison,

Acting Director, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Office of the Secretary****Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission Meeting**

AGENCY: Department of the Interior; Office of the Secretary.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an upcoming meeting of the Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

Meeting Date and Time: Friday, March 10, 2006—1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Address: Earth Conservancy, 101 S. Main Street, Ashley, PA 18706.

The agenda for the meeting will focus on implementation of the Management Action Plan for the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor and State Heritage Park. The Commission was established to assist the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and its political subdivisions in planning and implementing an integrated strategy for protecting and promoting cultural, historic and natural resources. The Commission reports to the Secretary of the Interior and to Congress.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission was established by Public Law 100-692, November 18, 1988 and extended through Public Law 105-355, November 13, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: C. Allen Sachse, Executive Director, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission, 1 South Third Street, 8th Floor, Easton, PA 18042. (610) 923-3458.

Dated: March 1, 2006.

C. Allen Sachse,

Executive Director, Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****Recovery Plan for Vernal Pool Ecosystems of California and Southern Oregon**

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: We (the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) announce the availability of the Recovery Plan for Vernal Pool Ecosystems of California and Southern Oregon. This recovery plan covers 33 species, of which 20 are federally listed as threatened or endangered. These species inhabit vernal pool ecosystems in California and southern Oregon. This recovery plan includes recovery criteria and measures for 20 federally listed species. Federally endangered plants include *Eryngium constancei* (Loch Lomond button-celery), *Lasthenia conjugens* (Contra Costa goldfields), *Limnanthes floccosa* ssp. *californica* (Butte County meadowfoam), *Navarretia leucocephala* ssp. *pauciflora* (few-flowered navarretia), *Navarretia leucocephala* ssp. *plieantha* (many-flowered navarretia), *Orcuttia pilosa* (hairy Orcutt grass), *Orcuttia viscida* (Sacramento Orcutt grass), *Parvisedum leiocarpum* (Lake County stonecrop), *Tuctoria greenei* (Greene's tuctoria), and *Tuctoria mucronata* (Solano grass). Federally threatened plants include *Castilleja campestris* ssp. *succulenta* (fleshy owl's clover), *Chamaesyce hooveri* (Hoover's spurge), *Neostapfia colusana* (Colusa grass), *Orcuttia inaequalis* (San Joaquin Valley Orcutt grass), and *Orcuttia tenuis* (slender Orcutt grass). Federally endangered animals include the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), longhorn fairy shrimp

(*Branchinecta longiantenna*), and vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*). Federally threatened animals include the vernal pool fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta lynchi*) and delta green ground beetle (*Elaphrus viridis*). The portions of the plan dealing with the delta green ground beetle and Solano grass are a revision of the 1985 Delta Green Ground Beetle and Solano Grass Recovery Plan.

The recovery plan addresses conservation of 10 plant species of concern, including *Astragalus tener* var. *ferrisiae* (Ferris' milk vetch), *Astragalus tener* var. *tener* (alkali milk vetch), *Atriplex persistens* (persistent-fruited saltscare), *Eryngium spinosepalum* (spiny-sepaled button-celery), *Gratiola heterosepala* (Boggs Lake hedge-hyssop), *Juncus leiospermus* var. *ahartii* (Ahart's dwarf rush), *Legenere limosa* (legenere), *Myosurus minimus* var. *apus* (little mouse tail), *Navarretia myersii* ssp. *deminuta* (pincushion navarretia), and *Plagiobothrys hystriculus* (bearded popcorn flower). The three animal species of concern addressed in the recovery plan include the mid-valley fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta mesovallensis*), California fairy shrimp (*Linderiella occidentalis*), and western spadefoot toad (*Spea hammondi*).

ADDRESSES: Copies of the recovery plan are available by request from the Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2605, Sacramento, California (telephone (916) 414-6600); Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office, 6010 Hidden Valley Road, Carlsbad, California (telephone (760) 431-9440); Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office, 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura, California (telephone (805)-644-1766); Southwest Oregon Field Office, 2900 NW., Stewart Parkway, Roseburg, Oregon (telephone (541) 957-3473); and Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office, 1655 Heindon Road, Arcata, California (telephone (707) 822-7201). An electronic copy of this recovery plan will also be made available on the World Wide Web at <http://pacific.fws.gov/ecoservices/angered/recovery/plans.html> and <http://angered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans>. Printed copies of the recovery plan will be available for distribution in 4 to 6 weeks.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Betty Warne, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Sacramento address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where

they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of our endangered species program. To help guide the recovery effort, we are working to prepare recovery plans for most of the listed species native to the United States. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimate time and cost for implementing the recovery measures needed.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) (Act), requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act as amended in 1988 requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. The Draft Recovery Plan for Vernal Pool Ecosystems of California and Southern Oregon was available for public comment from November 18, 2004, through March 18, 2005 (69 FR 67601). Information presented during the public comment period has been considered in the preparation of this final recovery plan, and is summarized in an appendix to the recovery plan. We will forward substantive comments regarding recovery plan implementation to appropriate Federal or other entities so they can take these comments into account during the course of implementing recovery actions.

The 33 species covered in this recovery plan occur primarily in vernal pool, swale, or ephemeral freshwater habitats within California and southern Oregon and are largely confined to a limited area by topographic constraints, soil types, and climatic conditions. Surrounding (or associated) upland habitat is critical to the proper ecological function of these vernal pool habitats. Most of the vernal pool plants and animals addressed in the recovery plan have life histories adapted to the short period for growth and reproduction within inundated or drying pools interspersed with long dormant periods when pools are dry, and extreme year-to-year variation in rainfall. Threats to the species include habitat loss, fragmentation, and degradation due to urban development, recreation, agricultural conversion and practices, and altered hydrology; non-native invasive species; inadequate regulatory mechanisms; incompatible grazing regimes; and stochastic events. All species covered in the recovery plan primarily are threatened by the loss,

fragmentation, or degradation of vernal pool habitat throughout the following areas: the Central Valley of California, the southern Sierra foothills, the Carrizo Plain, portions of the Coast Ranges, the Modoc Plateau, the Transverse Ranges, Los Angeles, and San Diego areas of California, and the Klamath Mountains region in Oregon. Therefore, areas currently, historically, or potentially occupied by the species are recommended for habitat protection and/or special management considerations.

The objectives of this recovery plan are to: (1) Ameliorate the threats that caused the species to be listed, and ameliorate any other newly identified threats in order to be able to delist these species; and (2) ensure the long-term conservation of the species of concern. These objectives will be accomplished through implementation of a variety of recovery measures including habitat protection, management and restoration; monitoring; reintroduction, introduction, and enhancement; research and status surveys; and public participation, outreach, and education.

Authority

The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: December 16, 2005.

Paul Henson,

Acting Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WY-920-1310-01; WYW144809]

Wyoming: Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease WYW144809

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of 371(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the lessees: Carpenter and Sons, Inc.; Goolsby and Associates, LLC; North Finn, LLC; Tika Energy Inc., and American Oil and Gas, Inc. timely filed a petition for reinstatement of noncompetitive oil and gas lease WYW144809 in Johnson County, Wyoming. The lessees paid the required