Status: Underutilized Reason: Floodway

Texas

Tracts 104, 105–1, 105–2 & 118 Joe Pool Lake Co: Dallas TX Landholding Agency: COE Property Number: 319010397 Status: Underutilized Reason: Floodway Part of Tract 201–3

Joe Pool Lake Co: Dallas TX Landholding Agency: COE Property Number: 319010398

Status: Underutilized Reason: Floodway Part of Tract 323

Joe Pool Lake Co: Dallas TX Landholding Agency: COE Property Number: 319010399 Status: Undorutilized

Status: Underutilized Reason: Floodway Tract 702–3 Granger Lake

Route 1, Box 172

Granger Co: Williamson TX 76530–9801

Landholding Agency: COE Property Number: 319010401

Status: Unutilized Reason: Floodway Tract 706

Granger Lake
Route 1, Box 172

Granger Co: Williamson TX 76530-9801

Landholding Agency: COE Property Number: 319010402

Status: Unutilized Reason: Floodway

Port. of Waco Lake Project Tracts 100–2, 200, 201, 202, 203 Waco Co: McLennan TX 76708– Landholding Agency: GSA Property Number: 549830006

Status: Surplus

Reason: Within airport runway clear zone,

Secured Area

GSA Number: 7-D-TX-634

Utah

10.24 acres

Southern Utah Communication Site

Salt Lake UT

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189810002

Status: Unutilized Reason: Other Comment: Inaccessible

Washington Fairchild AFB

SE corner of base

Fairchild AFB Co: Spokane WA 99011– Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 189010137 Status: Unutilized Reason: Secured Area

Fairchild AFB

Fairchild AFB Co: Spokane WA 99011– Location: NW corner of base

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189010138

Status: Unutilized Reason: Secured Area

West Virginia

Morgantown Lock and Dam

Box 3 RD #2

Morgantown Co: Monongahelia WV 26505-

Landholding Agency: COE Property Number: 319011530

Status: Unutilized Reason: Floodway London Lock and Dam

Route 60 East

Rural Co: Kanawha WV 25126– Location: 20 miles east of Charleston, W.

Virginia Landholding Agency: COE

Property Number: 319011690 Status: Unutilized Reason: Other

Comment: .03 acrea; very narrow strip of land located too close to busy highway

Portion of Tract #101 Buckeye Creek Sutton Co: Braxton WV 26601– Landholding Agency: COE Property Number: 319810006

Status: Excess Reason: Other

Comment: inaccessible

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Intent To Conduct Public Scoping and Prepare an Environmental Document

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior; National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of intent to conduct public scoping and prepare an environmental document.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act and in accordance with the Washington State Environmental Policy Act, this notice advises the public that the Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service (Services) intend to gather information necessary to prepare an environmental document (environmental assessment or environmental impact statement) related to the proposed approval of a Habitat Conservation Plan (Plan) and issuance of an incidental take permit (Permit) to take endangered and threatened species in accordance with section 10(a) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The Permit applicant is the City of Tacoma, Washington, Public Utilities, Water Division (Tacoma Water); the application is related to forest management activities in the Green River Watershed located in southern King County, Washington. Tacoma Water intends to request a Permit for the northern spotted owl, marbled murrelet, and other federallylisted species. Tacoma Water also plans to seek coverage for approximately 25 currently unlisted fish and wildlife species (including Chinook salmon and bull trout which are proposed for listing under the Act, and other anadromous and resident fish) under specific provisions of the Permit, should these species be listed in the future. In accordance with the Act, Tacoma Water will prepare a Plan for, among other things, minimizing and mitigating any such take which could occur incidental to the proposed Permit activities (watershed management).

The Services are furnishing this notice in order to: (1) advise other agencies and the public of our intentions; and (2) to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues to include in the environmental document.

DATES: Written comments from all interested parties must be received on or before September 21, 1998. A public scoping meeting will be held August 25, 1998, 6:30–9:00 p.m., at the Enumclaw Public Library, 1700 First Street, Enumclaw, Washington.

ADDRESSES: Comments and requests for information should be sent to John Engbring, Habitat Conservation Plan Program Manager, Fish and Wildlife Service, 510 Desmond Drive, S.E., Suite 102, Lacey, Washington 98503-1273, telephone (360) 753-5836, facsimile (360) 753–9518; or Steve Landino, Habitat Conservation Plan Program Manager, National Marine Fisheries Service, 510 Desmond Drive, S.E., Suite 103, Lacey, Washington 98503-1273, telephone (360) 753-6054, facsimile (360) 753-9517. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Tacoma Water owns and manages a water diversion dam and associated facilities (Headworks) on the Green River, approximately 5500 hectares (13,600 acres) of land upstream of the diversion dam on both sides of the River, and a well field (North Fork Well Field) located approximately 8 kilometers (5 miles) upstream of the Headworks. Tacoma Water operates and manages the Headworks, watershed lands, and the North Fork Well Field as the principal source of municipal and industrial water for the City of Tacoma and portions of Pierce and King Counties. Howard Hanson Dam (Dam) and Howard Hanson Reservoir (Reservoir), owned and operated by the

Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), are also located on the Green River, upstream of the Headworks. City lands in the watershed are adjacent to the Dam and Reservoir on all sides.

Current trends in population growth within the Puget Sound region create a need for Tacoma Water to explore possibilities for increasing its water supply capabilities. To meet this need, Tacoma has developed two separate but related plans. The first of these, the Second Supply Project, involves improvements at the Headworks and the construction of a 54 kilometers (33.5 miles) long pipeline from the Headworks to the City of Tacoma. This project is the subject of a State Environmental Policy Act review in the document entitled "Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Second Supply Project, October 18, 1994," prepared by Tacoma Water. The second related plan was developed in conjunction with the Corps, and in cooperation with the Services, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Washington Department of Ecology, and the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, to increase the size of the Dam and consequently the Reservoir. Known as the Additional Water Storage Project, this plan incorporates restoration and mitigation measures (including fish passage) to alleviate the historical barrier to migrating salmon, and hence spawning, created by the Headworks and the Corps' Dam. This project is the subject of a National Environmental Policy Act review in the document entitled "Draft Feasibility Report and Environmental Impact Statement, Howard Hanson Dam, Green River, Washington, April 1998," prepared by the Seattle District of the Corps.

Tacoma Water's activities associated with the Second Supply Project, the Additional Water Storage Project, and other management activities on the City's watershed lands have the potential to impact species subject to protection under the Act. Section 10 of the Act contains provisions for the issuance of incidental take permits to non-Federal landowners for the take of endangered and threatened species, provided the take is incidental to otherwise lawful activities, and will not appreciably reduce the likelihood of the survival and recovery of the species in the wild. In addition, the applicant must prepare and submit to the Services for approval a Plan containing a strategy for minimizing and mitigating all take associated with the proposed activities to the maximum extent practicable. The applicant must also ensure that adequate funding for the Plan will be provided.

Tacoma Water has initiated discussions with the Services regarding the possibility of securing a Permit and associated Plan for their activities in the Green River Watershed. Activities proposed for coverage under the Permit include the following:

(1) Water withdrawal at the Headworks for Municipal and Industrial Water Supply which will reduce flows and have concomitant habitat effects downstream and include the bypass of fish at the Headworks intake, and inundate the impoundment area;

(2) Water withdrawal from the North Fork Well Field for Municipal and Industrial Water Supply which will potentially reduce flows in the North Fork Green River above the Reservoir;

(3) Construction of Headworks improvements (anticipated to occur during a 2 year period from the third quarter 1999 through the third quarter 2001). Such construction will cause:

(a) Bypassing of fish at the Headworks

intake during construction;

(b) Raising the existing diversion dam by approximately 2 meters (6.5 feet) which will extend the inundation pool to about 780 meters (2,570 feet) upstream of the Headworks diversion;

(c) Realigning and enlarging the existing intake and adding upgraded fish screens and bypass facilities for

downstream passage;

(d) Reshaping the Green River channel downstream of the existing diversion to accommodate the future installation of an efficient trap and haul facility for upstream fish passage; and

(e) Installation, monitoring and maintenance of the instream structures in the impoundment for the Headworks dam raise fisheries mitigation;

(4) Fish and water quality impacts related to the Headworks improvement construction;

(5) Operation and maintenance of a wetland restoration project at Auburns Narrows associated with the Second Supply Project;

(6) Operation of a downstream fish bypass facility at the Headworks;

(7) Tacoma watershed forest management activities;

(8) Monitoring of downstream fish passage through a proposed fish passage facility at the Dam associated with the Additional Water Supply Project;

(9) Monitoring and maintenance of Additional Water Supply Project fish habitat restoration projects and Additional Water Supply Project fish and wildlife habitat mitigation projects; and

(10) Restoration of anadromous fish above the Dam by trapping and hauling of adults returning to the Headworks, and possible planting of hatchery juveniles if found to be beneficial to restoration.

The Services will conduct an environmental review of the Plan and prepare an environmental document. The environmental review will analyze the proposal, as well as a full range of reasonable alternatives and the associated impacts of each. The Services are currently in the process of developing alternatives for analysis. Should information become available which indicates the likelihood of significant impacts from the proposed project, an environmental impact statement will be prepared.

Comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties to ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action and all significant issues are identified. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the environmental review should be directed to the Fish and Wildlife Service or National Marine Fisheries Service at the address or telephone numbers provided above.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 USC 4321 et seq.), National Environmental Policy Act Regulations (40 CFR 1500–1508), other appropriate Federal laws and regulations, and policies and procedures of the Services for compliance with those regulations.

Dated: August 14, 1998.

Thomas Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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 Task Force's Zebra Mussel Coordination Committee. The meeting is open to the public. Meeting topics are identified in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

DATES: The Zebra Mussel Coordination Committee will meet from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, 1998, and 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, September 11, 1998.