

implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6 and 43 CFR 46.305).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Species; Receipt of Recovery Permit Application

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

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

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have received an application for an amendment to a current permit to conduct activities intended to enhance the propagation or survival of endangered or threatened species under the Endangered Species Act. We invite the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on this application. Before issuing the requested permit, we will

take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

DATES: We must receive your written comments on or before August 21, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Use one of the following methods to request documents or submit comments. Requests and comments should specify the applicant name and application number (provided below in **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**:

- *Email:* permitsR5ES@fws.gov.
- *U.S. Mail:* Abby Gelb, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Dr., Hadley, MA 01035.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Abby Gelb, 413-253-8212 (phone), or permitsR5ES@fws.gov (email). Individuals who are hearing or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on an application for a permit 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 permit would allow the applicant to conduct activities intended to promote recovery of species that are listed as

endangered or threatened 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 in title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations 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 application:

Application No.	Applicant	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
TE86602C	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, White Sulphur Springs National Fish Hatchery, WV.	Add: Candy darter (<i>Etheostoma osburni</i>).	Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia.	Propagation, survey, research.	Collect, hold, release, introduce.	Amend.

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 an amended permit to the applicant 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,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

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Public Meeting of the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Geological Survey is hereby giving notice that the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee will meet as noted below.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 6, 2019, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and August 7, 2019, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Golden Hotel, 800 11th Street, Mesa

Room, Golden, CO 80401; (303) 279-0100.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Jonathan Godt, U.S. Geological Survey, 1711 Illinois Avenue, Mail Stop 966, Golden, CO 80401, by email at jgodt@usgs.gov, or by telephone at (303) 273-8626.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SESAC advises the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the USGS's participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program.

During the meeting, the SESAC will review the current activities of the USGS Earthquake Hazards Program, discuss future priorities, and consider its draft report to the USGS Director. The final agenda will be posted to the SESAC's website prior to the meeting at https://www.usgs.gov/natural-hazards/earthquake-hazards/scientific-earthquake-studies-advisory-committee-sesac/qt-science_support_page_related_con=2#qt-science_support_page_related_con.

The meeting is open to the public. Members of the public wishing to attend the meeting should register via email at jgodt@usgs.gov. Interested persons may choose to make a public comment at the meeting during the public comment period. Members of the public may also choose to submit written comments by mailing them to Dr. Jonathan Godt, U.S. Geological Survey, 1711 Illinois Avenue, Mail Stop 966, Golden, CO 80401, or via email at jgoft@usgs.gov. All comments received will be given to the SESAC for consideration during the public meeting. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, should contact the USGS at provided above.

Public Disclosure: 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 ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2.

Trent Richardson,

Deputy Associate Director, Natural Hazards Mission Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Topographic Data Grants

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) are proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 20, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection request (ICR) by mail to U.S. Geological Survey, Information Collections Officer, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, MS 159, Reston, VA 20192; or by email to gs-info_collections@usgs.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1028-0092 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Diane Eldridge by email at delldridge@usgs.gov, or by telephone at 703-648-4521.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the USGS; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the USGS enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the USGS minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of

public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. 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 ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: The U.S. Geological Survey gathers topographic data through the 3D Elevation Program (3DEP). The primary goal of 3DEP is to systematically collect enhanced elevation data in the form of high-quality light detection and ranging (lidar) data over the conterminous United States, Hawaii, and the U.S. territories, as well as interferometric synthetic aperture radar (ifsar) data over Alaska. The implementation model for 3DEP is based on multi-agency partnership funding for topographic data acquisition, with the USGS acting in a lead program management role to facilitate planning and acquisition for the broader community, through the use of government contracts and partnership agreements. USGS issues cooperative agreements with partners to collect topographic data through an annual Broad Agency Announcement (BAA), which is a competitive solicitation issued to facilitate the cooperative collection of lidar and derived elevation data for the 3D Elevation Program (3DEP). It has been included in the annual Catalog of Domestic Federal Assistance under USGS 15.8 17. Federal agencies, state and local governments, tribes, academic institutions and the private sector are eligible to submit proposals. USGS collects information from applicants about their proposed topographic data collection, cost sharing and then uses that information to determine grant awards.

Title of Collection: Topographic Data Grants.

OMB Control Number: 1028-0092.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: State and local governments, tribes, academic institutions and the private sector are eligible to submit proposals.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 40.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 40.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: 62 hours.