

wildlife; and (6) place speed limits of 20 miles per hour or less on canal roads.

The Proposed Action addressed in the environmental assessment consists of the issuance of a Permit to allow the potential incidental take of beetles and foxes incidental to the Main Intake Canal Lining Project. The environmental assessment focuses on the potential impacts on beetles and foxes that may result from issuance of a Permit and implementation of the Plan. Impacts on other resources (ground water and surface water, land use, aesthetic resources, air quality, noise, cultural resources, public services, traffic, and circulation) are discussed in detail in the Environmental Impact Report for the Main Intake Canal Lining Project and are summarized in the Service's environmental assessment.

An alternative to the taking of listed species under the Proposed Action is considered in the Plan and environmental assessment. Under the No Action Alternative, no permit would be issued. However, the No Action Alternative is unacceptable as it will continue to result in the loss of up to 6,000 acre-feet of water per year. Five other alternatives are presented in the Plan and the environmental assessment, but are considered unacceptable for various reasons, including disagreement among, or opposition from, local landowners.

All interested agencies, organizations, and individuals are urged to provide comments on the permit application and environmental assessment. All comments received by the closing date will be considered in finalizing National Environmental Protection Act compliance and permit issuance or denial. The Service will publish a record on its final action in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 3, 2000.

Thomas Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability, Oil Spill Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service, on behalf of the Department of

the Interior, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (Administration), the State of Washington, and the Makah Tribe, announces the release for public review of a Revised Draft Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the *Tenyo Maru* Oil Spill (Plan/Assessment). The Plan/Assessment covers the Natural Resource Trustees' (Trustees) proposal to restore natural resources injured as a result of the 1991 *Tenyo Maru* fishing vessel oil spill.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before February 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the Plan/Assessment may be made to: Fish and Wildlife Service, 510 Desmond Drive SE, Suite 102, Lacey, Washington 98503, Attn: Cindy M. Chaffee. The Plan/Assessment is also available for download at <http://www.r1.fws.gov> and <http://www.darcnw.noaa.gov/tenyo.htm>. Written comments regarding the Plan/Assessment should be sent to the same mailing address as requests for copies of the Plan/Assessment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cindy M. Chaffee, Fish and Wildlife Service, 510 Desmond Drive SE, Suite 102, Lacey, Washington 98503. Interested parties may also call (360) 753-4324.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 22, 1991, a Japanese fishing vessel (*Tenyo Maru*) and a Chinese freighter (*Tuo Hai*) collided about 20 miles northwest of Neah Bay, Washington, spilling at least 100,000 gallons of oil. Beaches were fouled with oil from Vancouver Island, British Columbia to northern Oregon. While impacts were scattered along the entire Washington State shoreline and the northern beaches of Oregon, the heaviest oiling occurred along the Makah Indian Reservation and the Olympic National Park shoreline. Seabirds, and to a lesser extent, kelp habitats, were demonstrated to have been injured by the spill. The trustees documented that common murre (*Uria aalge*) and federally threatened marbled murrelets (*Brachyramphus marmoratus*) were killed, as well as rhinoceros auklets (*Cerorhinca monocerata*), tufted puffins (*Fratercula cirrhata*), Cassin's auklets (*Ptychoramphus aleuticus*) and pigeon guillemots (*Cephus columba*). Oil was observed in many of the giant kelp (*Macrocystis*) and bull kelp (*Nereocystis*) dominated kelp beds from Cape Alava north to Tatoosh Island and from Tatoosh Island east to Waadah Island.

Claims for natural resource damages were settled by consent decree under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (Act), 33

U.S.C. 2701 *et seq.* Under the consent decree, the defendants agreed to pay approximately \$5.2 million to the natural resource trustees to compensate the public for the injury, destruction, and loss of natural resources resulting from the spill.

On February 10, 1999, the Trustees published a Notice of Availability for a draft Plan/Assessment. The Trustees received numerous comments on this draft Plan/Assessment. In response to those comments, the Trustees have made several changes to the Plan/Assessment. These changes include: (1) The addition of funding for an emergency towing vessel stationed at the entrance to the Strait of Juan de Fuca; (2) an option to consider a project involving restoration of tufted puffins; and (3) elimination of the Seabird By-Catch Reduction in Coastal Net Fisheries Project. In order to help focus public review, the revised Plan/Assessment includes the highlighting of additional language and strike-out lines where language has been removed from the draft Plan/Assessment published last February.

The Plan/Assessment is presented to the public by the Trustees responsible for restoration implementation under the consent decree and is consistent with the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Regulations found at 15 CFR, Part 990. The Plan/Assessment describes the affected environment and illustrates potential restoration alternatives to restore, rehabilitate, replace, or acquire the equivalent of natural resources injured in the *Tenyo Maru* oil spill and their environmental consequences.

The preferred restoration alternative selected by the Trustees is an integrative restoration approach that restores populations of injured resources, provides quality habitat, and allows natural recovery. Proposed restoration efforts will include the combination of protection and enhancement activities that have the greatest potential to restore the injured natural resources, with particular emphasis on seabirds. The Plan/Assessment proposes to restore injured resources by: (1) Restoring common murre or potentially, tufted puffin colonies within the Copalis National Wildlife Refuge; (2) contributing to an oiled wildlife rehabilitation center; (3) educating the public on the negative impacts caused by human disturbance of nesting seabird colonies; (4) protecting injured natural resources from further impacts of oil spills; (5) protecting marbled murrelet habitat; and (6) reducing siltation in rivers to aid salmon recovery.

Interested members of the public are invited to review and comment on the Plan/Assessment. Copies of the plan are available for review at the Fish and Wildlife Service's Western Washington Office in Lacey, Washington (510 Desmond Drive SE, Suite 102); the Olympic Coast National Marine Sanctuary in Port Angeles, Washington (Federal Building, 138 West 1st Street, Suite 7) and; the Makah Tribe at Neah Bay, Washington (Old Air Force Building #15). Additionally the Plan/Assessment will be available for review at the Fish and Wildlife Service's web site <http://www.r1.fws.gov>, at Administration's web site <http://www.darcnw.noaa.gov/tenyo.htm>, and at public libraries in Clallam, Jefferson, Grays Harbor, and Pacific Counties.

Written comments will be considered and addressed in the final Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment at the conclusion of the restoration planning process.

Dated: January 3, 2000.

Thomas Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Technology Transfer Act of 1986

AGENCY: Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) negotiations.

SUMMARY: The United States Geological Survey (USGS) is planning to enter into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with Maptech, Inc. This CRADA is for the purpose of research. The Research Plan of this CRADA addresses key technology areas that are of mutual interest to both USGS and Maptech. Specific research subjects include (1) hybrid map data sets, (2) web-based map catalog queries, and (3) web-based map updating. Maptech and USGS will jointly carry out the Research Plan to develop these key technologies.

The research activities will be executed in approximately 18 months and will end with the development of products for the 2002 winter Olympics in Salt Lake City, Utah. These products will be created utilizing the results of the research activities in this CRADA. Any other organization interested in pursuing the possibility of a CRADA for

similar kinds of activities should contact the USGS.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries may be addressed to the Chief, Systems and Technology, Geological Survey, National Mapping Division, 500 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192; Telephone (703) 648-5084, facsimile (703) 648-4706; Internet "blowell@usgs.gov".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brent H. Lowell, address above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is to meet the USGS requirement stipulated in the Survey Manual.

Dated: December 15, 1999.

Kathryn R. Clement,

Associate Division Chief for Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Submission of Paperwork Reduction Act Request to Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Information Collection Request for the Class III Gaming Procedures, OMB No. 1076-0149, has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 25).

DATES: Submit your comments and suggestions on or before February 7, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent directly to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503. Send a copy of your comments to, George Skibine, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Gaming Management, 1849 C Street NW, Mail Stop 2070-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the information collection may be obtained by contacting George Skibine, 202-219-4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection is necessary to assess the need for Class III Gaming Procedures. A request for comments on this information

collection was published in the **Federal Register** on August 4, 1999 (64 FR 42409-42410). No comments were received.

II. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on (a) whether the information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Please note that comments, names and addresses are available for public review during regular business hours. If you wish us to withhold your name or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment sent to us. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law.

The Office of Management and Budget has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days; therefore, comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted to OMB within 30 days in order to assure their maximum consideration.

III. Data

Title of the Information Collection: Class III Gaming Procedures.

OMB Approval Number: 1076-0149.

Summary of Collection of Information: The collection of information will ensure that the provisions of IGRA, the relevant provisions of State laws, Federal law and the trust obligations of the United States are met.

Affected Entities: Federally recognized tribes who submit Class III procedures for review and approval by the Secretary of the Interior.

Frequency of Response: Once, unless revised.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 12.

Estimated Time per Application: 320 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,840 hours.

BIA Information Collection Clearance Officer: Ruth Bajema 202-208-2574