

the western desert of Utah (Green *et al.* 1997). Genetic evidence (Green *et al.* 1997) indicates that CSFs may be a single species with three subspecies, or may be several weakly-differentiated species. The Service currently recognizes four populations based on disjunct distribution: Northern, Great Basin, Wasatch, and West Desert. CSFs are believed to be abundant within the Northern population of the species' range from Alaska to Wyoming (Gomez 1994). The other three disjunct populations (Great Basin, Wasatch, and West Desert) received candidate status in 1993 based on the loss of subpopulations in a number of areas in Nevada (58 FR 27260). At that time, the Great Basin population was given a listing priority of 9; in 2001 the priority was raised to 3 (the highest listing rank possible for a subspecies), based upon the discovery of *Chytridiomycosis* in the Owyhee subpopulation, declining numbers, and the imminence of threats. The CSF is known to occur in Owyhee and Twin Falls counties, Idaho.

Columbia Spotted Frogs at Sam Noble Springs are part of the Great Basin Population of frogs, which is a candidate for listing under the Act. Threats to this population mainly include impacts to, or loss of, habitat—specifically, the loss of perennial wetlands used for feeding, breeding, hibernating, and migrating. Improperly managed livestock grazing practices and water use in areas where frogs occur may contribute to habitat loss. The State of Idaho has an opportunity at Sam Noble Springs to address effects of livestock grazing on CSF habitat while continuing to meet their management needs. By entering into the proposed Agreement with the Service, the State of Idaho would help ensure long-term protection of a population of a species that is a candidate for listing under the Act, by significantly reducing the risk of impacts to CSF habitat, while reducing any long-term regulatory risk to their ability to generate funds from those lands if CSFs were listed and take prohibitions limited their ability to lease those lands for livestock grazing.

As a result of this conservation opportunity and potential regulatory concern, the State of Idaho developed the proposed Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances for the CSF at Sam Noble Springs, Owyhee County, Idaho, in cooperation with the Service, and is applying to the Service for a permit under section 10(a) of the Act, authorizing incidental take of CSFs.

Under the proposed Agreement and permit, the State of Idaho and the Service would implement various conservation measures on the Sam

Noble Springs parcel. The conservation measures under the proposed Agreement are intended to reduce all threats to the CSF that are controllable by the State of Idaho within the project area. Conservation measures that would be implemented within the project area include: (1) Altered timing and intensity of livestock grazing; (2) installation of grazing management structures; (3) creation of additional livestock watering ponds; (4) installation and operation of a water collection facility serving a livestock watering trough; (5) maintenance of existing livestock watering ponds; (6) management of vegetation in and adjacent to occupied CSF habitat; and (7) monitoring of CSF populations and habitat condition to determine effectiveness and compliance with the Agreement. If issued, the permit would authorize incidental take of CSFs as a result of specified land management practices related to agriculture, livestock management, and CSF habitat restoration.

We provide this notice pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act and implementing regulations for the National Environmental Policy Act (40 CFR 1506.6), in order to solicit public review and comments on the permit application and a related environmental assessment. Comments received will be considered in the course of our evaluation of the proposed permit under section 10(a) of the Endangered Species Act and National Environmental Policy Act. We will not make our final decision on the application until after completion of the comment period and will fully consider all comments received during the comment period.

Dated: January 26, 2006.

**David J. Wesley,**

*Deputy Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Klamath River Basin Fisheries Task Force

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service, announce a meeting of the Klamath River Basin Fisheries Task Force. The meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the meeting is to allow affected interests to continue

providing recommendations to us on implementation of our program to restore anadromous fisheries, including salmon and steelhead, in the Klamath River in California and Oregon.

**DATE:** The meeting will be from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on February 8, 2006, and from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. on February 9, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Best Western Beachfront Inn, 16008 Boat Basin Road, Brookings, Oregon.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Phil Detrich, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1829 South Oregon Street, Yreka, California 96097, telephone (530) 842-5763.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), we announce a meeting of the Klamath River Fisheries Task Force. This task force was established under the Klamath River Basin Fishery Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 460ss *et seq.*).

For background information on the Task Force, please refer to the **Federal Register** notice of the initial meeting (July 8, 1987, 52 FR 25639).

Dated: January 25, 2006.

**John Engbring,**

*Acting California/Nevada Operations Manager, California/Nevada Office, Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Amendment to Notice of Availability of Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation's Proposed Coyote Business Park, Umatilla County, OR

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs is amending its Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation's Proposed Coyote Business Park, Umatilla County, Oregon, which was published in the **Federal Register** on December 16, 2005 (70 FR 74844). This amendment adds 18 days to the public comment period. All of the other information in the December 16, 2005, notice remains unchanged.

**DATES:** Written comments on the DEIS must now arrive by February 17, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail written comments to Jerry L. Lauer, Acting Superintendent, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Umatilla Agency, P.O. Box 520, Pendleton, Oregon 97801; or hand carry written comments to Mr. Lauer at the Umatilla Agency, 46807 B Street, Mission, Oregon.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jerry L. Lauer, (541) 278-3786.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the street address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. We will not, however, consider anonymous comments. 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 inspection in their entirety.

This notice is published in accordance with § 1503.1 of the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1-6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Dated: January 24, 2006.

**Michael D. Olsen,**

*Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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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, DOI.

**ACTION:** Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

**SUMMARY:** As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended by the Act of May 2, 2000, will be issued to Elim Native Corporation. The lands are located in Tps. 6 S., Rs. 15, 16, and 17 W.; Tps. 7 S., Rs. 16, 17, and 18 W.; and Tps. 8 S., Rs. 17 and 18 W., Kateel River Meridian, in the vicinity of Elim, Alaska, and contain approximately 45,881 acres. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the *Nome Nugget*.

**DATES:** The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until March 3, 2006 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.

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 99513-7599.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Christy Favorite, by phone at (907) 271-5656, or by e-mail at

[cfavorit@ak.blm.gov](mailto:cfavorit@ak.blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Ms. Favorite.

**Christy Favorite,**

*Land Law Examiner, Branch of Land Transfer Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

### Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee: Nomination Solicitation

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is a solicitation on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior for nominations to fill a vacancy on the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee. Nominations may be submitted by Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian

organizations, and traditional Native American religious leaders. Nominees must be traditional Native American religious leaders. Appointments are made by the Secretary of the Interior.

**DATES:** Postmark or hand-delivery deadline: April 3, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:**

Via U.S. Mail: Address nominations to Designated Federal Officer, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee, National NAGPRA Program, National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW (2253), Washington, DC 20240. Because increased security in the Washington, DC, area may delay delivery of U.S. Mail to U.S. Government offices, a copy of each mailed nomination should also be faxed to (202) 371-5197.

Via commercial delivery: Address nominations to Designated Federal Officer, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee, National NAGPRA Program, National Park Service, 1201 Eye Street NW, 8th floor, Washington, DC 20005.

Via hand delivery: Address nominations to Designated Federal Officer, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee, National Park Service, 1201 Eye Street NW, 8th floor, Washington, DC 20005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. C. Timothy McKeown, Designated Federal Officer, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee, National NAGPRA Program, 1849 C Street NW (2253), Washington, DC 20240, telephone (202) 354-2202, e-mail [tim\\_mckeown@nps.gov](mailto:tim_mckeown@nps.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Required Nomination Information:** Nominations must include the following information. Nominations that do not include all of the following information will be considered nonresponsive to this solicitation.

1. Nominations by Indian tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations: Nominations must be submitted on official tribal or organization letterhead with the nominator's original signature and daytime telephone number. Nominator must be the official authorized by his or her tribe or organization to submit nominations in response to this solicitation. The nomination must include a statement that the nominator is so authorized.

2. Nominations by traditional Native American religious leaders: Nominations must include a statement that the nominator is a traditional Native American religious leader and the nominator's daytime telephone number.