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requires that populations of Higgins' eye in at least five Essential Habitat Areas are reproducing, self-sustaining, not threatened by zebra mussels, and are sufficiently secure to assure long-term viability of the species.

Public Comments Solicited

The Service solicits written comments on the recovery plan described. All comments received by the date specified will be considered prior to approval of the plan. Written comments and materials regarding the plan should be sent to the Field Supervisor, Ecological Services Field Office (see **ADDRESSES** section). Comments received will be available for public inspection by appointment during normal business hours.

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

Dated: July 31, 2003.

Charles M. Wooley,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 Landowner Incentive Program (Non Tribal Portion) for States, Territories, and the District of Columbia; Notice of Request for Proposals

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; Request for proposals.

SUMMARY: The Service is requesting proposals at this time under the Landowner Incentive Program pending a Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act 2004 allocation of funds for conservation grants to States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa (hereafter referred to collectively as States), and Tribes. The Service will address the Tribal component of LIP under a separate **Federal Register** notice.

DATES: The Service must receive your grant proposal no later than October 14, 2003. We will not accept facsimile grant proposals, but States are encouraged to submit their proposals in electronic format (Word, Word Perfect or PDF files). All parts of the grant proposal must be received prior to the deadline.

ADDRESSES: Grant proposals must be submitted to the Service's Division of Federal Assistance at the following locations:

Region 1. Hawaii, Idaho, Oregon, Washington, California, Nevada, American Samoa, Guam, and Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Regional Director, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 NE., 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232–4181, LIP Contact: Verlyn Ebert, (503) 231–6128; *verlyn_ebert@r1.fws.gov.*

Region 2. Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Regional Director, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, 500 Gold Avenue SW., Room 4012, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102, LIP Contact: Bob Anderson, (505) 248–7459; *bob_anderson@fws.gov.*

Region 3. Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio, and Wisconsin.

Regional Director, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Bishop Henry Whipple Federal Building, One Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111–4056, LIP Contact: Lucinda Corcoran, (612) 713–5135; *lucinda_corcoran@fws.gov.*

Region 4. Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Regional Director, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30345, LIP Contact: Mike Piccirilli, (404) 679–4154; *mike_piccirilli@fws.gov.*

Region 5. Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia.

Regional Director, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, MA 01035–9589, LIP Contact: Colleen Sculley, (413) 253–8509; *colleen_sculley@fws.gov.*

Region 6. Colorado, Kansas, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming.

Regional Director, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225–0486, LIP Contact: Jacque Richy, (303) 236–8155 ext. 236; *jacque_richy@fws.gov.*

Region 7. Alaska.

Regional Director, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503–6199, LIP Contact: Al Havens (907) 786–3435; *al_havens@fws.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Galvan, Policy Analyst, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 North Fairfax Drive—Mailstop MBSP 4020, Arlington, VA 22203–1610; telephone 703–358–2420; e–mail *kim_galvan@fws.gov,* or any of the individuals identified previously in the Regional Offices.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Service will award grants on a competitive basis to State fish and wildlife agency programs that enhance, protect, or restore habitats that benefit federally listed, proposed, or candidate species, or other at-risk species on private lands. A copy of the FY 2004 LIP Guidelines can be obtained at *http://federalaid.fws.gov/index.html* or from the Regional Offices described in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

The Service will distribute any LIP funds made available in the FY 2004 budget in the same manner described in these Guidelines. The Service requests that the States number the pages in their proposals, and limit their proposals to no more than 50 pages, inclusive of attachments.

Dated: July 22, 2003.

Paul R. Schmidt,

Assistant Director, Migratory Birds and State Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Land Acquisitions; Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians of Michigan

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of final agency determination to take land into trust under 25 CFR part 151.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs made a final agency determination to acquire approximately 96 acres, more or less, of land into trust for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians of Michigan on July 18, 2003. This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 Departmental Manual 8.1.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published to comply with the requirement of 25 CFR part 151.12(b) that notice be given to the public of the Secretary's decision to acquire land in trust at least 30 days prior to signatory acceptance of the land into trust. The purpose of the 30-day waiting period in 25 CFR part 151.12(b) is to afford interested parties the opportunity to seek judicial review of final administrative decisions to take land in trust for Indian tribes and individual Indians before transfer of title to the property occurs. On July 18, 2003, the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs decided to accept approximately 96 acres, more or less, of land into trust for the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians of Michigan under the authority of the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians Act, 25 U.S.C. 1300k–1300k–7 (1994), which also restored Federal recognition to the Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians and the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. In a memorandum dated November 12, 1997, the Associate Solicitor, Division of Indian Affairs, determined that the Little Traverse Bay Bands is a restored tribe within the meaning of Section 20 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), 25 U.S.C. 2719 and that the trust acquisition of the parcel known as the "Mackinaw City Tract" qualified as restored lands. The Mackinaw Tract is within Emmet County. On August 5, 1999, the Associate Solicitor, Division of Indian Affairs further concluded that the site of the temporary Victories casino qualified as "restored" land within the meaning of section 20 of IGRA, because it is within Emmet County and is exempt from the general prohibition against gaming on land acquired in trust after October 17, 1988. On March 24, 2003, the Field Solicitor, Twin Cities concluded that pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 1300k–4(a) the acquisition of land located in Emmet County, Michigan for the Little Traverse Bay Bands is a mandatory acquisition for purposes of 25 CFR 151.10 and is considered "restored" land for purposes of 25 U.S.C. 2719(b)(1)(B)(iii) of IGRA.

The land referred to in Commitment No. 60016179, situated in the Township of Resort, County of Emmet, State of Michigan is described as follows:

The Northeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ and the South one-half of the Northwest ¼ of the Southeast ¼, all in Section 12, Township 34 North, Range 6 West, *except*: Commencing at the East ¼ corner of Section 12, Township 34 North, Range 6 West; Resort Township, Emmet County, Michigan; thence South along the East line of said Section 12, for a distance of 427.29 feet; thence West 33.00 feet to a concrete monument on the West edge of Greenwood Cemetery Road, which is the point of beginning; thence West 217.00 feet to a concrete monument, thence South 160.00 feet to a concrete monument; thence East 217.00 feet to a concrete monument on the West edge of Greenwood Cemetery Road; thence North 160.00 feet to the point of beginning.

The land referred to in Commitment No. 60016178, situated in the Township of Resort, County of Emmet, State of Michigan is described as follows:

The Southeast ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 12, Township 34 North, Range 6 West.

The property consists of approximately 96 acres located in Emmet County, Michigan.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Skibine, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, MS–4543 MIB, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240; Telephone (202) 219–4066.

Dated: July 18, 2003.

Aurene M. Martin,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Upper Siuslaw River Late-Successional Reserve Restoration Plan

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability (NOA) of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Upper Siuslaw River Late-Successional Reserve (LSR) Restoration Plan.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, a DEIS has been prepared by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Eugene District, with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a cooperating agency, for the Upper Siuslaw River Late-Successional Reserve (LSR) Restoration Plan. The DEIS was prepared to analyze the impacts of a long-term management approach and specific actions needed to achieve the LSR goals and Aquatic Conservation Strategy objectives set out in the Northwest Forest Plan. The Upper Siuslaw LSR Restoration Plan will address management of approximately 25,000 acres of BLM-managed lands within LSR 267 in the upper portion of the Siuslaw River fifth-field watershed.

DATES: Written comments on the DEIS must be postmarked or otherwise delivered by 4:15 p.m., 60 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) publishes the NOA and filing of the DEIS in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the document should be addressed to: Rick Colvin, P.O. Box 10226, Eugene, OR, 97440; or e-mail to: *or090mb@or.blm.gov* Attn: Rick Colvin. Written comments may also be hand-delivered to the Eugene District Office, 2890 Chad Drive, Eugene, OR. Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Eugene District office during regular hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday, except holidays, and may be published as part of the environmental analysis or other related documents. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to withhold your name 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. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organization or businesses, will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

Copies of the DEIS will be mailed to individuals, agencies, or companies who previously requested copies. A limited number of copies of the document will be available at the Eugene District Office. The DEIS is also available online from the Eugene District Internet Web site at *http://www.edo.or.blm.gov*. All public meetings will be announced through the local news media, newsletters, and the Eugene District Internet Web site (*http://www.edo.or.blm.gov*) at least 15 days prior to the event.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rick Colvin at (541) 683–6600 or 1–888–442–3061.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DEIS addresses alternatives for forest and aquatic restoration within a Late-Successional Reserve in the Coast Range Mountains west of Eugene, Oregon. The purpose of the action is to protect and enhance late-successional and old-growth forest ecosystems; foster the development of late-successional forest structure and composition in