

American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, based on the fact that the inclusion of the domestic equivalent of the manufactured goods (AKW Mullen shower stalls) would have increased the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

Dated: March 23, 2010.

**Sandra B. Henriquez,**

*Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Royalty Policy Committee (RPC) Notice of Renewal

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of renewal of the Royalty Policy Committee.

**SUMMARY:** Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior is renewing the Royalty Policy Committee.

The Royalty Policy Committee provides advice to the Secretary of the Interior on the management of Federal and Indian mineral leases and revenues under the laws governing the Department of the Interior. The Committee will also review and comment on revenue management and other mineral and energy-related policies, and provide a forum to convey views representative of mineral lessees, operators, revenue payors, revenue recipients, governmental agencies, and public interest groups. The Royalty Policy Committee reports to the Secretary of the Interior through the Director of the Minerals Management Service.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Gina Dan, Minerals Revenue Management, Minerals Management Service; Denver, Colorado 80225-0165; telephone number (303) 231-3392.

### Certification

I hereby certify that the renewal of the Royalty Policy Committee is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior by 43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*

Dated: March 26, 2010.

**Ken Salazar,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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### Notice of Availability of a Technical Agency Draft Recovery Plan for Pyne's Ground-Plum (*Astragalus bibullatus*) for Review and Comment

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

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability and opening of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the availability of the technical agency draft recovery plan for Pyne's ground-plum (*Astragalus bibullatus*), a species endemic to the Central Basin in Tennessee. The draft recovery plan includes specific recovery objectives and criteria the species would have to meet in order for us to downlist it to threatened status or delist it under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). We request review and comment on this draft recovery plan from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public.

**DATES:** In order to be considered, we must receive comments on the draft recovery plan on or before *June 1, 2010*.

**ADDRESSES:** If you wish to review the draft recovery plan, you may obtain a copy by contacting the Tennessee Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 446 Neal Street, Cookeville, TN 38501 (telephone 931/528-6481), or by visiting our recovery plan Web site at <http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans>. If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any one of several methods:

1. You may submit written comments and materials to the Field Supervisor, at the above address.
2. You may hand-deliver written comments to our Tennessee Field Office at the above address, or fax your comments to 931/528-7075.
3. You may send comments by e-mail to [geoff\\_call@fws.gov](mailto:geoff_call@fws.gov).

For additional information about submitting comments, see the "Request for Public Comments" section below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Geoff Call at the above address (telephone 931/528-6481, ext. 213).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

We listed Pyne's ground-plum as an endangered species under the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), on September 26, 1991 (56 FR 48748). This species is a

rare perennial member of the pea family (Fabaceae) endemic to the limestone cedar glades in the Central Basin Section of the Interior Low Plateau (Tennessee). It is currently known from only eight extant occurrences (specific locations or sites) located within 90 square miles in Rutherford County, Tennessee, within a short distance of the rapidly growing city of Murfreesboro.

Factors contributing to its endangered status are an extremely limited range and loss of habitat. The primary threat is the loss of habitat from residential, commercial, or industrial development; livestock grazing; woody encroachment; and recreational uses such as all terrain vehicles.

Restoring an endangered or threatened animal or plant to the point where it is again a secure, self-sustaining member of its ecosystem is a primary goal of the endangered species program. To help guide the recovery effort, we are preparing recovery plans for most listed species. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for conservation of the species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting, and estimate time and cost for implementing recovery measures.

The Act requires the development of recovery plans for listed species, unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act requires us to provide a public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment during recovery plan development. We will consider all information presented during a public comment period prior to approval of each new or revised recovery plan. We and other Federal agencies will take these comments into account in the course of implementing approved recovery plans.

The objective of this technical agency draft plan is to provide a framework for the recovery of this species so that protection under the Act is no longer necessary. Pyne's ground-plum will be considered for reclassification to threatened status when there are nine occurrences that are distributed throughout the cedar glade ecosystem of the Stones River Basin within Davidson, Rutherford, and Wilson Counties. Each occurrence should have at least 100 plants, be maintained for at least 5 years, have a cooperative management agreement in place, and be located on lands owned and managed by a public agency, or located on private lands protected by a permanent conservation easement.

Pyne's ground-plum will be considered for delisting when there are

12 occurrences that are distributed throughout the cedar glade ecosystem of the Stones River Basin within Davidson, Rutherford, and Wilson Counties. Each occurrence should have at least 100 plants, be maintained for at least 10 years, have a cooperative management agreement in place, and be located on lands owned and managed by a public agency or located on private lands protected by a permanent conservation easement.

As reclassification and recovery criteria are met, the status of the species will be reviewed and it will be considered for reclassification or removal from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants.

#### Request for Public Comments

We request written comments on the recovery plan. We will consider all comments we receive by the date specified in **DATES** prior to final approval of the plan.

#### Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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

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

Dated: January 14, 2010.

**Jeffrey M. Fleming,**

*Acting Regional Director, Southeast Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Environmental Documents Prepared for Proposed Oil, Gas, and Mineral Operations by the Gulf of Mexico Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Region

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of the Availability of Environmental Documents Prepared for OCS Mineral Proposals by the Gulf of Mexico OCS Region.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Federal Regulations that implement the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Minerals Management Service (MMS) announces the availability of NEPA-related Site-Specific Environmental Assessments (SEA) and Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI), prepared by MMS for the following oil-, gas-, and

mineral-related activities proposed on the Gulf of Mexico.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Public Information Unit, Information Services Section at the number below. Minerals Management Service, Gulf of Mexico OCS Region, Attention: Public Information Office (MS 5034), 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard, Room 114, New Orleans, Louisiana 70123-2394, or by calling 1-800-200-GULF.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: MMS

prepares SEAs and FONSIs for proposals that relate to exploration, development, production, and transport of oil, gas, and mineral resources on the Federal OCS. These SEAs examine the potential environmental effects of activities described in the proposals and present MMS conclusions regarding the significance of those effects.

Environmental Assessments are used as a basis for determining whether or not approval of the proposals constitutes a major Federal action that significantly affects the quality of the human environment in the sense of NEPA Section 102(2)(C). A FONSI is prepared in those instances where MMS finds that approval will not result in significant effects on the quality of the human environment. The FONSI briefly presents the basis for that finding and includes a summary or copy of the SEA.

This notice constitutes the public notice of availability of environmental documents required under the NEPA Regulations.

## FEDERAL REGISTER

Activity/operator	Location	Date
Noble Energy, Inc., Structure Removal, SEA ES/SR 09-059 ...	Eugene Island, Block 308, Lease OCS-G 00996, located 76 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/2/2009
Coastal Planning & Engineering, Inc., Geological & Geophysical Prospecting for Mineral Resources, SEA M09-012.	Located off the coast of Pinellas County, Florida on the Federal OCS of the Gulf of Mexico.	10/2/2009
Beryl Oil and Gas LP, Structure Removal, SEA ES/SR 09-182	South Timbalier, Block 195, Lease OCS-G 03593, located 42 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/2/2009
XTO Offshore, Inc., Structure Removal, SEA ES/SR 09-192 ...	High Island, Block A367, Lease OCS-G 23222, located 120 miles from the nearest Texas shoreline.	10/6/2009
Walter Oil & Gas Corporation, Well Conductor Removal, SEA RPM EL390-SS002.	Eugene Island, Block 390, Lease OCS-G 14487, located 85 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/9/2009
Walter Oil & Gas Corporation, Well Conductor Removal, SEA RPM EW991-SS01.	Ewing Bank, Block 991, Lease OCS-G 13088, located 72 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/9/2009
Walter Oil & Gas Corporation, Well Severance, SEA RPM MC68-SS001.	Mississippi Canyon, Block 68, Lease OCS-G 15464, located 20 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/9/2009
Walter Oil & Gas Corporation, Well Severance, SEA RPM MC837-SS01.	Mississippi Canyon, Block 837, Lease OCS-G 16650, located 64 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/9/2009
ExxonMobil Corporation, Revised Exploration Plan for Seismic Activities, SEA R-4982 AA.	Located in the Central Planning Area of the Gulf of Mexico, 230 miles from Grand Chenier, Louisiana.	10/15/2009
Energy Resource Technology GOM, Inc., Structure Removal, SEA ES/SR 09-205.	West Cameron, Block 328, Lease OCS-G 22542, located 47 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/16/2009
Energy Resource Technology GOM, Inc., Structure Removal, SEA ES/SR 09-204.	East Cameron, Block 282, Lease OCS-G 21581, located 85 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/19/2009
Chevron U.S.A., Inc., Structure Removal, SEA ES/SR 09-209	Eugene Island, Block 339, Lease OCS-G 02318, located 83 miles from the nearest Louisiana shoreline.	10/19/2009
Energy Resource Technology GOM, Inc., Structure Removal, SEA ES/SR 09-207.	High Island, Block A544, Lease OCS-G 14897, located 86 miles from the nearest Texas shoreline.	10/19/2009