

Slender chub (*Erimystax cahni*)  
 Relict darter (*Etheostoma chienense*)  
 Tuxedo darter (*Etheostoma lemniscatum*)  
 Marbled darter (*Etheostoma marmorpinnum*)  
 Duskytail darter (*Etheostoma percnum*)  
 Citico darter (*Etheostoma sitikuense*)  
 Snail darter (*Percina tanasi*)  
 Diamond darter (*Crystallaria cincotta*)  
 Cumberland darter (*Etheostoma susanae*)  
 Palezone shiner (*Notropis albizonatus*)  
 Blackside dace (*Phoxinus cumberlandensis*)

Permit Application Number: TE48833A

Applicant: Brian Carver, Tennessee Tech University

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture, handle, radio-tag, and release) the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and gray bat (*M. grisescens*) in the State of Tennessee. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE07730A

Applicant: Kiersten Fuchs, Redwing Ecological Services, Inc.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to add the rabbitsfoot mussel (*Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica*), fluted kidneyshell mussel (*Ptychobranthus subtentum*), and the slabside pearlymussel (*Pleuroanaia dolabelloides*) to their permit. The requested amendment would also add personnel to their permit. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE38085B

Applicant: Keith A. Johnson, Mountain State Biosurveys, LLC

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey, capture and release; non-destructive sampling) the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) in the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico/Virgin Islands, South Carolina, Tennessee, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Ohio, and Missouri. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE2373A

Applicant: Virgil Brack, Environmental Solutions and Innovations

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (survey, capture and release; non-destructive sampling) the

Rabbitsfoot mussel (*Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica*) in the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Puerto Rico/Virgin Islands, South Carolina, Tennessee, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Ohio, and Missouri. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE73584A

Applicant: Brian Anderson, Illinois Natural History Survey

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (survey, capture and release; non-destructive sampling) the scaleshell mussel (*Leptodea leptodon*), rabbitsfoot mussel (*Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica*), and spectaclecase mussel (*Cumberlandia monodonta*) in the State of Illinois. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE06801A

Applicant: Neil Bossart, Pittsburgh Wildlife and Environmental, Inc.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to add personnel to their permit. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE40160B

Applicant: Daniel J. Call, Environmental Research and Information Analysts, LLC

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey, capture and release; nondestructive sampling) the fat pocketbook mussel (*Potamilus capax*), Higgin's eye pearlymussel (*Lampsilis higginsii*), scaleshell mussel (*Leptodea leptodon*), sheepnose mussel (*Plethobasus cyphus*), spectaclecase mussel (*Cumberlandia monodonta*), and winged mapleleaf mussel (*Quadrula fragosa*) in the Upper Mississippi River in the State of Illinois. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE02344A

Applicant: Donald C. Fortenbery, Mainstream Commercial Divers, Inc.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to add the rabbitsfoot mussel (*Quadrula cylindrica cylindrica*), finelined pocketbook mussel (*Lampsilis altilis*), southern clubshell mussel (*Pleurobema decisum*), and triangular kidneyshell mussel (*Ptychobranthus greenii*) to their permit. The requested amendment

would also add personnel to the permit. Proposed activities are for the recovery and enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

#### Request for Public Comments

We seek public review and comments on these permit applications. Please refer to the permit number when you submit comments. Comments and materials we receive are available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section. 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.

Dated: July 30, 2014.

Lynn M. Lewis,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Midwest Region.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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#### Notice of Availability of Draft Habitat Conservation Plan; Receipt of Application for Incidental Take Permit; Pioneer Trail Wind Farm, LLC

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have received an incidental take permit (ITP) application, draft habitat conservation plan (HCP), and a draft Implementing Agreement (IA) from Pioneer Trail Wind Farm, LLC (applicant), located in Ford and Iroquois Counties, Illinois. If approved, the ITP would authorize incidental take of two species of bats (covered species): the Indiana bat, a federally endangered species, and northern long-eared bat, proposed for Federal listing under the ESA. In accordance with the NEPA, the Service has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) in response to the permit application. We

invite public comment on the ITP application, draft HCP, draft IA, and draft EA.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, please send your written comments on or before September 22, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments via U.S. mail to the Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Rock Island Field Office, 1511 47th Avenue, Moline, IL 61265; by facsimile to 309-757-5807; or by electronic mail to [RockIsland@fws.gov](mailto:RockIsland@fws.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Amber Schorg, 309-757-5800, extension 222.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Introduction**

Pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.*), we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have received an application from Pioneer Trail Wind Farm, LLC (applicant), located in Ford and Iroquois Counties, Illinois, for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the ESA. If approved, the ITP would authorize incidental take of two species of bats (covered species): the federally endangered Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*) and northern long-eared bat (*Myotis septentrionalis*), a species proposed for Federal listing under the ESA. The application includes a draft habitat conservation plan (HCP) and a draft Implementing Agreement (IA). Those documents describe the actions and measures the applicant will take to minimize, mitigate, and monitor take of covered species, and the assurances the applicant will provide should the ITP be issued. In accordance with the NEPA, the Service has prepared a draft Environmental Assessment (EA) in response to the ITP application. We invite public comment on the application, draft HCP, draft IA, and draft EA.

**Background**

Section 9 of the ESA and its implementing regulations prohibit the "take" of animal species listed as endangered or threatened. Take is defined under the ESA as to "harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect listed animal species, or to attempt to engage in such conduct" (16 U.S.C. 1538). However, under section 10(a) of the ESA, the Service may issue permits to authorize incidental take of listed species. "Incidental take" is defined by the ESA as take that is incidental to, and not the

purpose of, carrying out an otherwise lawful activity.

**Requested Permit**

The applicant is seeking a permit for incidental take of three individual Indiana bats and two individual northern long-eared bats (hereafter, "covered species") per year; such take may result from operation, maintenance, and decommissioning of an existing 94-turbine wind facility over a 43-year period. The ITP would also cover potential impacts associated with species mitigation, which would include gating and stabilization of high-priority Indiana bat hibernacula, and protection, restoration, enhancement, and long-term management of summer habitat for both species. While the exact location of land proposed as summer habitat mitigation has yet to be finalized, it is likely to occur in Alexander, Champaign, Ford, Hardin, and/or Vermillion Counties, Illinois.

Before the Service can issue a permit to the applicant, it must first confirm that:

- Take will be incidental to an otherwise lawful activity.
- The applicant will, to the maximum extent practicable, minimize and mitigate the impacts of such taking.
- The applicant will ensure that adequate funding for the plan will be provided.
- The taking will not appreciably reduce the likelihood of the survival and recovery of the overall species in the wild.
- Other measures required by the Service in the plan will be met, and there are assurances that the plan will be implemented.

**Request for Comments**

The Service invites comments and suggestions from all interested parties on the draft documents associated with the permit application. In particular, comments and suggestions regarding whether the draft HCP sufficiently minimizes and mitigates potential impacts associated with take of covered species and any additional information pertinent to evaluation of NEPA alternatives and impacts associated with the proposed federal action, would be appreciated.

**Public Availability of Comments**

Written comments we receive become part of the public 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 the entire comment, including your personal

identifying information, may be made 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**

We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22), and NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4371 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6; 43 CFR Part 46).

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

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**State of Arizona Resource Advisory Council Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Arizona Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet in Phoenix, Arizona, as indicated below.

**DATES:** The Arizona RAC Business meeting will take place September 10, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the BLM Arizona State Office located at One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona 85004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dorothea Boothe, Arizona RAC Coordinator at the Bureau of Land Management, Arizona State Office, One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona 85004-4427, 602-417-9504. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.