Public Hearing:

African Elephant Proposed 4(d) Rule Revisions

USFWS International Affairs Program

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Proposed Changes to the 4 (d) rule



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Comments Requested



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How to Submit Comments

You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

- 1. Electronically: Go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal:

 https://www.regulations.gov. In the Search box, enter FWS-HQ-IA-2021-0099, which is the docket number for this rulemaking. Then click on the Search button. On the resulting page, in the panel on the left side of the screen, under the Document Type heading, click on the Proposed Rules link to locate this document. You may submit a comment by clicking on "Comment." Please ensure that you have found the correct rulemaking before submitting your comment.
- 2. By hard copy: Submit by U.S. mail to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS-HQ-IA-2021-0099, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: PRB/3W, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.
- 3. By public hearing: Submit during this public hearing, being held on January 5, 2023 from 1:00pm-4:00pm Eastern Standard Time.

Document availability: The proposed rule and supporting documentation, including the draft environmental assessment and economic analysis, are available on https://www.regulations.gov in Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2021-0099.