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OFFICE OF CHEMICAL SAFETY AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Threatened or Endangered Mammals, Birds and Reptiles in LOCATES

Database Since 1993 - To Support Re-initiation of Consultation on

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Sodium Cyanide (M-44) - PC Code 075002

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As you are aware, we have developed a problem formulation to support an ecological risk assessment and endangered species effects determination for Sodium Cyanide and the Agency has determined it will re-initiate consultation with US Fish and Wildlife Service. The decision to re-initiate is based in part, on the fact that additional species have been listed as threatened or endangered since issuance of the Service's 1993 Biological Opinion. This memo summarizes the changes as reflected in the LOCATES database since the 1993 Biological Opinion.

Attachment 1 shows the mammal, bird and reptile listed species added to the database since 1993. This list was refined to include only those species occurring in or with designated habitat in MT, NM, SD, TX, or WY where M-44 is registered for use, or in AZ and UT where use is permitted under a label registered to the Navaho Nation. This refined list (Attachment 2) includes three mammals and three birds. The reptiles identified in Attachment 1 do not have habitats located in states that allow 1080 use.

Attachments

| COMMON NAME | Listed Since 1993 Biolog SCIENTIFIC NAME | LISTED | TAXO |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------|-----------|
| Bear, Grizzly | Ursus arctos horribilis | 3/29/2007 | Mamn |
| | | 7/24/2003 | Mamr |
| Deer, Columbian White- tailed | Odocoileus virginianus leucurus | 7/24/2003 | iviaiiiii |
| | Canis lupus | 5/4/2009 | Mamn |
| Wolf, Gray | Lynx Canadensis | 3/24/2000 | Mamm |
| Lynx, Canada | | | |
| Fox, San Miguel Island | Urocyon littoralis littoralis | 3/5/2004 | Mamm |
| Fox, Santa Catalina Island | Urocyon littoralis catalinae | 3/5/2004 | Mamm |
| Fox, Santa Cruz Island | Urocyon littoralis santacruzae | 3/5/2004 | Mamm |
| Fox, Santa Rosa Island | Urocyon littoralis | 3/5/2004 | Mamn |
| | santarosae | | |
| Mouse, Pacific Pocket | Perognathus | 2/3/1994 | Mamm |
| £ | longimembris pacificus | | |
| Mouse, Preble's | Zapus hudsonius preblei | 5/13/1998 | Mamm |
| Meadow Jumping | | | |
| Mouse, St. Andrew | Peromyscus polionotus | 12/18/1998 | Mamm |
| Beach | peninsularis | | |
| Rabbit, Riparian Brush | Sylvilagus bachmani riparius | 2/23/2000 | Mamm |
| Shrew, Buena Vista Lake | Sorex ornatus relictus | 3/6/2002 | Mamm |
| Ornate | | | |
| Squirrel, Northern Idaho | Spermophilus brunneus | 4/5/2000 | Mamm |
| Ground | brunneus | | |
| Woodrat, Riparian | Neotoma fuscipes riparia | 2/23/2000 | Mamm |
| Kangaroo Rat, San | Dipodomys merriami | 1/27/1998 | Mamm |
| Bernardino Merriam's | parvus | | |
| Rabbit, Pygmy | Brachylagus idahoensis | 11/30/2001 | Mamm |
| Bear, polar | Ursus maritimus | 5/15/2008 | Mamm |
| Eagle, Bald | Haliaeetus leucocephalus | 5/1/2008 | Bird |
| White-eye, Rota Bridled | Zosterops rotensis | 1/22/2004 | Bird |
| Hawk, Puerto Rican | Buteo platypterus | 9/9/1994 | Bird |
| Broad-winged | brunnescens | | |
| Hawk, Puerto Rican | Accipiter striatus | 9/9/1994 | Bird |
| Sharp-shinned | venator | | |
| Owl, Mexican Spotted | Strix occidentalis lucida | 3/16/1993 | Bird |
| Plover, Western Snowy | Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus | 3/5/1993 | Bird |
| Gnatcatcher, Coastal | Polioptila californica | 3/30/1993 | Bird |
| California | californica | 3,33,1333 | D., G |
| Eider, Spectacled | Somateria fischeri | 5/10/1993 | Bird |
| Eider, Steller's | Polysticta stelleri | 6/11/1997 | Bird |
| Flycatcher, | Empidonax traillii | 2/27/1995 | Bird |

| Southwestern Willow | extimus | | |
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| Kauai creeper | Oreomystis bairdi | 5/13/2010 | Bird |
| Elepaio, Oahu | Chasiempis sandwichensis ibidis | 4/18/2000 | Bird |
| Snake, Northern Copperbelly Water | Nerodia erythrogaster neglecta | 1/29/1997 | Reptile |
| Turtle, Bog | Clemmys muhlenbergii | 11/4/1997 | Reptile |
| Whipsnake (=Striped Racer), Alameda | Masticophis lateralis euryxanthus | 12/5/1997 | Reptile |
| Snake, Lake Erie Water | Nerodia sipedon insularum | 8/30/1999 | Reptile |
| Snake, Giant Garter | Thamnophis gigas | 10/20/1993 | Reptile |

Attachment 2. Species Listed Since 1993 Biological Opinion With Habitats in Areas With Sodium Cyanide Use

| Name | Scientific Name | Listed | Taxon | States |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------|--------|---------------------|
| Bear, Grizzly | Ursus arctos horribilis | 3/29/2007 | Mammal | MT,WY |
| Wolf, Gray | Canis lupus | 5/4/2009 | Mammal | WY |
| Lynx, Canada | Lynx canadensis | 3/24/2000 | Mammal | MT, WY |
| Eagle, Bald | Haliaeetus leucocephalus | 5/1/2008 | Bird | AZ*, NM, TX |
| Owl, Mexican Spotted | Strix occidentalis lucida | 3/16/1993 | Bird | AZ*, NM,TX, UT* |
| Flycatcher, Southwestern Willow | Empidonax traillii extimus | 2/27/1995 | Bird | AZ*, NM, TX, UT* |