

listing species. If we determine in the 12-month finding determines that listing the midvalley fairy shrimp is warranted, we will address the designation of critical habitat in the subsequent proposed listing rule.

Public Information Solicited

When we make a finding that substantial information exists to indicate that listing a species may be warranted, we are required to promptly commence a review of the status of the species. To ensure that the status review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we are soliciting information on the midvalley fairy shrimp. We request any additional information, comments, and suggestions from the public, other concerned governmental agencies, the scientific community, industry, or any other interested parties concerning the status of the midvalley fairy shrimp. We are seeking information regarding historic and current distribution, the species' biology and ecology, ongoing conservation measures for the species and its habitat, and threats to the species and its habitat.

If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments and materials concerning this finding to the Field Supervisor (see **ADDRESSES** section). Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Respondents may request that we withhold a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name or address, you must state this request prominently at the beginning of your comment. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. To the extent consistent with applicable law, we will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety. Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

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The primary author of this document is Glen Tarr (see **ADDRESSES** section).

Authority

The authority for this action is the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of Draft Revised Environmental Assessment, Management Plan, and Implementation Guidance for Take of Nestling American Peregrine Falcons in the Contiguous United States and Alaska for Falconry

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice is to announce the availability of a Draft Revised Environmental Assessment, Management Plan, and Implementation Guidance document on take of nestling American Peregrine Falcons (*Falco peregrinus anatum*) for falconry. We published a final Environmental Assessment in April 2001. The draft Revised Environmental Assessment, Management Plan, and Implementation Guidance was done to correct an error in the modeling on which the earlier Environmental Assessment was based and to use population data since delisting to assess the effects of take of nestlings for falconry.

DATES: Comments on the Environmental Assessment, Management Plan, and Implementation Guidance are due by June 30, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The document is available from, and written comments about it should be submitted to, Chief, Division of Migratory Bird Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 634, Arlington, Virginia 22203–1610. The fax number for a request or for comments is 703–358–2272. You can request a copy of the Environmental Assessment by calling 703–358–1714. The Assessment also is available on the Division of Migratory Bird Management web pages at <http://migratorybirds.fws.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. George Allen, Division of Migratory Bird Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, at 703–358–1714.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The American peregrine falcon (*Falco*