

names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the administrative record. We will honor such requests to the extent allowable by law. There may also be other circumstances in which we would withhold from the administrative record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. 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.

Applicant: Edwards-Pitman Environmental, Inc., Atlanta, Georgia, Florida, TE063179-0.

The applicant requests authorization to take (survey, capture, translocate, and release) the following mussels and fishes: Fat three-ridge mussel (*Amblema neislerii*), Chipola slabshell (*Elliptio chipolaensis*), purple bankclimber (*Elliptio sloatianus*), upland combshell (*Epioblasma metastriata*), southern acornshell (*Epioblasma othcaloogensis*), fine-lined pocketbook (*Lampsilis altilis*), shiny-rayed pocketbook (*Lampsilis subangulata*), Alabama moccasinshell (*Medionidus acutissimus*), Coosa moccasinshell (*Medionidus acutissimus*), Gulf moccasinshell (*Medionidus penicillatus*), Ochlockonee moccasinshell (*Medionidus simpsonianus*), Southern clubshell (*Pleurobema decisum*), Southern pigtoe (*Pleurobema georgianum*), Ovate clubshell (*Pleurobema perovatum*), oval pigtoe (*Pleurobema pyriforme*), triangular kidneyshell (*Ptychobranhus greeni*), short nose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*), blue shiner (*Cyprinella caerulea*), Cherokee darter (*Etheostoma scotti*), Etowah darter (*Etheostoma etowahae*), Amber darter (*Percina antesella*), goldline darter (*Percina aurolineata*), Conasauga logperch (*Percina jenkinsi*), and snail darter (*Percina tanasi*). The proposed activities will take place throughout the state of Georgia.

Applicant: South Carolina Parks, Recreation and Tourism, Cheraw, South Carolina, Gary P. Haight, TE063183-0.

The applicant requests authorization to harass red-cockaded woodpeckers (*Picoides borealis*) while installing squirrel and snake excluder devices on

active and non-active cluster trees with cavities. The proposed activities will take place in the Cheraw State Park, South Carolina.

Applicant: Trent Alan Farris, Foley, Alabama, TE064856-0.

The applicant requests authorization to take (survey, capture, mark, tag, and release) the following species: Alabama beach mouse (*Peromyscus polionotus ammobates*), Perdido Key beach mouse (*Peromyscus polionotus trissyllepsis*), Choctawhatchee beach mouse (*Peromyscus polionotus allopheys*), and Saint Andrew beach mouse (*Peromyscus polionotus peninsularis*). Take will occur while conducting presence and absence population surveys, studying population status and distributions, translocating individuals to augment populations, and radio tagging for scientific purposes. The proposed activities will take place in Alabama and Florida.

Applicant: Samuel Paul Atkinson; Shaw, McLeod, Belser, and Hurlbutt; Sumter, South Carolina, TE064882-0.

The applicant requests authorization to take (capture, band, release, monitor nests, and install artificial cavity inserts) red-cockaded woodpeckers (*Picoides borealis*) while conducting presence and absence surveys. The surveys will be conducted throughout the species historical range.

Dated: December 19, 2002.

J. Mitch King,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of a Permit Application (Reid) for Incidental Take of the Houston Toad

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: Roger Reid and Marie Waneck (Applicants) have applied for an incidental take permit (TE-066089-0) pursuant to section 10(a) of the Endangered Species Act (Act). The requested permit would authorize the incidental take of the endangered Houston toad. The proposed take would occur as a result from the construction and operation of commercial storage units on a 2.625 acre property on Highway 21, Bastrop County, Texas.

DATES: Written comments on the application should be received on or before February 18, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the application may obtain a copy by writing to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, PO Box 1306, Room 4102, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Persons wishing to review the EA/HCP may obtain a copy by contacting Clayton Napier, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78758 (512/490-0057). Documents will be available for public inspection by written request, by appointment only, during normal business hours (8 to 4:30) at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Austin, Texas. Written data or comments concerning the application and EA/HCP should be submitted to the Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Austin, Texas, at the above address. Please refer to permit number TE-066089-0 when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Clayton Napier, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78758 (512/490-0057).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 9 of the Act prohibits the "taking" of endangered species such as the Houston toad. However, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take endangered wildlife species incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for endangered species are at 50 CFR 17.22.

The Service has prepared the Environmental Assessment/Habitat Conservation Plan (EA/HCP) for the incidental take application. A determination of jeopardy to the species or a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) will not be made until at least 30 days from the date of publication of this notice. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Applicant: Roger Reid and Marie Waneck plan to construct commercial storage units within 5 years, on approximately 0.3 acres of a 2.625-acre property on Highway 21, Bastrop County, Texas. This action will eliminate 0.3 acres or less of Houston toad habitat and result in indirect impacts within the lot. The Applicant proposes to compensate for this incidental take of the Houston toad by providing \$660.00 to the Houston Toad Conservation Fund at the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for the specific purpose of land acquisition and