

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 30, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the incident period for this disaster is closed effective January 30, 2004.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individual and Household Housing; 97.049, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individual and Household Program-Other Needs, 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

**Michael D. Brown,**

*Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Notice of Establishment of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Scientific Committee**

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service, Interior.

**SUMMARY:** Following consultation with the General Services Administration, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of the Interior has established the OCS Scientific Committee.

The OCS Scientific Committee will provide advice on the feasibility, appropriateness, and scientific value of the Outer Continental Shelf Environmental Studies Program to the Secretary of the Interior through the Director of the Minerals Management Service. The Committee will review the relevance of the research and data being produced to meet MMS scientific information needs for decision making

and may recommend changes in scope, direction, and emphasis.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jeryne Bryant, Minerals Management Service, Offshore Minerals Management, Herndon, Virginia 20170-4817, telephone, (703) 787-1213.

**Certification**

I hereby certify that the OCS Scientific Committee is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior by 43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.*, 30 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*, and 30 U.S.C. 1001 *et seq.*

Dated: February 3, 2004.

**Gale A. Norton,**

*Secretary of the Interior.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

**Multistate Conservation Grant Program; Priority List for Conservation Projects**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of priority list.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is publishing in the **Federal Register** the priority list of 18 wildlife and sport fish conservation projects submitted by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies for funding under the Multistate Conservation Grant Program. This notice is required by the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-408). FY 2004 grants may be made from this priority list.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pam Matthes, Multistate Conservation Grants Program Coordinator, Division of Federal Assistance, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop MBSP-4020, Arlington, Virginia 22203; phone (703) 358-2066; or e-mail [Pam\\_Matthes@fws.gov](mailto:Pam_Matthes@fws.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000 (Improvement Act) amended the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669 *et seq.*) and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777 *et seq.*) and established the Multistate Conservation Grant Program. The Improvement Act authorizes grants of up to \$3 million annually from funds available under each of the Restoration Acts, for a total of up to \$6 million annually. Grants may be made from a priority list of projects submitted by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (IAFWA), which represent the State fish and wildlife agencies. The Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, exercising the authority of the Secretary of the Interior, need not fund all recommended projects, but may not fund projects that are not recommended.

To be eligible for consideration by the IAFWA, a project must benefit fish and/or wildlife conservation in at least 26 States, a majority of the States in a region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or a regional association of State fish and wildlife agencies. Grants may be made to a State or group of States, to non-governmental organizations, and to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or a State or group of States for the purpose of carrying out the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation. IAFWA requires proposals to address its National Conservation Needs, which are announced annually at the same time as the request for proposals.

The IAFWA prepares the priority list through a committee comprising the heads of State fish and game departments (or their designees) in consultation with non-governmental organizations that represent conservation organizations, sportsmen organizations, and industries that support or promote hunting, trapping, recreational shooting, bow hunting, or archery. The priority list must be approved by majority vote of the heads of State fish and game departments (or their designees).

The priority list of projects submitted by the IAFWA follows:



IAFWA'S PRIORITY LIST OF PROJECTS FOR THE 2004 MULTISTATE CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM—Continued

Proposal ID	Title of proposal	Submitted by	Funds requested										Totals	
			FY 2004		FY 2005		FY 2006		FY 2007		FY 2008			
			PR	WB	PR	WB	PR	WB	PR	WB	PR	WB		
04-041* .....	Slate Wildlife Grant Plan Development: National Coordinated Assistance for all 50 States.	IAFWA-Teaming With Wildlife Committee.	\$74,000	24,800	74,400	24,800	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$198,400
04-043* .....	The Conservation Communication Team.	IAFWA-Education, Outreach & Diversity Committee and the Animal Use Issues Committee.	\$30,000	30,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$60,000
04-046* .....	Furbearer Management and Regulated Trapping Professional Development Workshops & Communication Planning Sessions for Fish & Wildlife Professionals.	IAFWA-Furbearer Resources Task Force and the Education, Outreach, & Diversity Committee.	\$187,897	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$187,897
04-048 .....	Developing State Aquatic Nuisance Species Management Plans & Strategies for the Southeastern United States.	Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency.	.....	\$77,500	.....	77,500	.....	77,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$232,500
04-055* .....	Facilitation & Continuation of the Partnership between the Foundation & our State Partners for the Planning & Implementing of the Hooked On Fishing—Not on Drugs Program.	Future Fisherman Foundation.	.....	\$128,000	.....	172,500	.....	197,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$497,500
04-035 .....	Project Coordinator for the 2006 National Survey State-level Data.	USFWS .....	\$190,452	190,452	172,190	172,190	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	725,284
04-040a .....	2006 National Survey-Option 6.	USFWS .....	\$1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	1,357,387	110,454	110,454	\$11,080,004
Totals .....	.....	.....	\$2,735,330	2,430,915	2,103,870	1,934,727	1,411,387	1,631,887	1,357,387	1,357,387	110,454	110,454	\$15,183,797	

PR=Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act.