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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Meeting Announcement: North American Wetlands Conservation Council**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Council) will meet to select North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) U.S. Standard grant proposals for recommendation to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission (Commission). This meeting is open to the public, and interested persons may present oral or written statements.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for June 23, 2015, at 8:30 a.m. (PDT). If you are interested in presenting information at this public meeting, contact the acting Council Coordinator no later than June 19, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Meeting venue will be located at The Westerly Hotel and Convention Centre, 1590 Cliffe Avenue, Courtenay, BC, V9N 2K4, Canada. Participants can join the meeting via telephone by calling the toll-free number 1-877-413-4791; when prompted, enter participant passcode 6532444#.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Johnson, Acting Council Coordinator, by phone at 703-358-1784; by email at dbhc@fws.gov; or by U.S. mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5275 Leesburg Pike MS: MB, Falls Church, VA 22041.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**About the Council**

In accordance with NAWCA (Pub. L. 101-233, 103 Stat. 1968, December 13, 1989, as amended), the State-private-Federal Council meets to consider wetland acquisition, restoration, enhancement, and management projects for recommendation and final funding approval by the Commission.

**About NAWCA**

The North American Wetlands Conservation Act of 1989 provides matching grants to organizations and individuals who have developed partnerships to carry out wetlands conservation projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and

associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds. Project proposal due dates, application instructions, and eligibility requirements are available on the NAWCA website at <http://www.fws.gov/birds/grants>

**Public Input**

<b>If you wish to:</b>	<b>You must contact the Acting Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) no later than</b>
(1) Listen to Council Meeting	June 23, 2015
(2) Submit written information or questions before the Council meeting for consideration during the meeting	June 19, 2015

***Submitting Written Information or Questions***

Interested members of the public may submit relevant information or questions for the Council to consider during the public meeting. If you wish to submit a written statement, so that the information may be made available to the Council for their consideration prior to this meeting, you must contact the acting Council Coordinator by the date above. Written statements must be supplied to the acting Council Coordinator in both of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file formats are Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or rich text file).

***Giving an Oral Presentation***

Individuals or groups requesting to make an oral presentation at the meeting will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 10 minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact the acting Council Coordinator by the date above, in writing (preferably via email; see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**), to be placed on the public speaker list. Nonregistered public speakers will not be considered during the Council meeting. Registered speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, or those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, are invited to submit written statements to the Council within 30 days following the meeting.

#### **Meeting Minutes**

Summary minutes of the Council meeting will be maintained by the acting Council Coordinator at the address listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Meeting notes can be obtained by contacting the acting Council Coordinator within 30 days following the meeting. Personal copies may be purchased for the cost of duplication.

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