

§ 1630.5 Standards governing allowability of costs under LSC grants or contracts.

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(i) *Fundraising.* (1) Costs associated with fundraising for the purpose of increasing recipient funds available to carry out the purposes of the LSC grant are allowable and allocable to the LSC grant if they meet the requirements of this section.

(2) A recipient that charges fundraising costs to the LSC grant shall reimburse its LSC account from the fundraising proceeds in an amount equal to the amount charged to the LSC grant.

(3) Fundraising proceeds are not derivative income within the meaning of §§ 1630.2(b) and 1630.17(c).

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■ 3. Amend § 1630.6 by revising paragraphs (b)(1), (3) and (5) to read as follows:

§ 1630.6 Prior approval.

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(b) Costs requiring prior approval.

(1) Without LSC's prior written approval, a recipient may not expend more than \$50,000 of LSC funds on any of the following:

(2) * * *

(3) For costs apportioned between LSC funds and one or more other funding sources, this requirement applies when the cost allocable to LSC funds is greater than \$50,000.

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(5) Recipients must obtain LSC's prior approval before incurring a legal obligation to expend LSC funds in excess of the applicable threshold.

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PART 1631—PURCHASING AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

■ 1. The authority citation for part 1631 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 2996g(e).

■ 2. Amend § 1631.3 by revising paragraphs (b)(1), (b)(2), and (d)(1) to read as follows:

§ 1631.3 Prior approval process.

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(b)(1) For purchases or leases of personal property, contracts for services, and capital improvements, LSC will make a decision to approve or deny a request for prior approval within 30 days of receiving materials LSC deems sufficient to decide. LSC will inform a recipient within 20 days of receiving the prior approval request whether LSC needs additional information to make a decision and initiate the collection of this information.

(b)(2) For purchases of real estate, LSC will make a decision within 60 days of receiving materials LSC deems sufficient to decide. LSC will inform a recipient within 20 days of receiving the initial prior approval request whether LSC needs additional information to make a decision and re-initiate the collection of this information.

(3) * * *

(c) * * *

(d) Exigent circumstances. (1) A recipient may use more than \$50,000 of LSC funds to purchase personal property or award a contract for services without seeking LSC's prior approval if the purchase or contract is necessary;

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■ 3. Amend § 1631.8 by revising paragraphs (a) and (b) to read as follows:

§ 1631.8 Requests for prior approval.

(a) As required by 45 CFR 1630.6 and 1631.3, a recipient using more than \$50,000 of LSC funds to purchase or lease personal property or contract for services must request and receive LSC's prior approval.

(b) * * *

(3) Documentation showing that the recipient followed its procurement policies and procedures in soliciting, reviewing, and approving the purchase, lease, or contract for services (*i.e.*, the documents recipients have in their procurement files to demonstrate adherence with the recipient's policies and procedures).

■ 4. Revise § 1631.19 to read as follows:

§ 1631.19 Accounting and reporting to LSC.

A recipient must maintain an accumulative accounting of the amount of LSC funds it uses to pay for acquisition, financing, and capital improvements costs for each of its LSC-funded properties. The recipient must provide the accounting to LSC annually by no later than the date recipients are required to submit their annual audited financial statements to LSC's Office of Inspector General.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the North Park Phacelia From the List of Endangered and Threatened Plants

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are reopening the comment period on our March 19, 2024, proposed rule to delist the North Park phacelia (*Phacelia formosula*), a plant found in the state of Colorado, from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Plants under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). We are reopening the proposed rule's comment period for 30 days to give all interested parties an additional opportunity to comment on the proposed rule in consideration of the updated Species Status Assessment (SSA) report, which we revised based on new information from comments previously submitted, and based on peer review. Comments previously submitted will be fully considered in our final determination and do not need to be resubmitted.

DATES: The comment period on the proposed delisting rule published on March 19, 2024, at 89 FR 19546, is reopened. We will accept comments received or postmarked on or before June 1, 2026. Comments submitted electronically using the Federal eRulemaking Portal (see **ADDRESSES**, below) must be received by 11:59 p.m. eastern time on the closing date. We must receive requests for public hearings, in writing, at the address shown in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** by June 1, 2026.

ADDRESSES:

Comment submission: You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

(1) *Electronically:* Go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <https://www.regulations.gov>. In the Search box, enter FWS-R6-ES-2023-0114, which is the docket number for the March 19, 2024, proposed rule and this document. Then click on the Search button. On the resulting page, in the Search panel on the left side of the screen, under the

Document Type heading, click on the Proposed Rule box to locate the correct document. You may submit a comment by clicking on "Comment."

(2) *By hard copy*: Submit by U.S. mail to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS-R6-ES-2023-0114, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: PRB/3W, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

We request that you send comments only by the methods described above. We will post all comments on <https://www.regulations.gov>. This generally means that we will post any personal information you provide us (see Public Comments, below, for more information).

Document availability: The March 19, 2024, proposed rule and its supporting documents, including the revised SSA report, are available at <https://www.regulations.gov>, Docket No. FWS-R6-ES-2023-0114.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Nathan Darnall, Western Colorado Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Colorado Ecological Services Field Office; 970-238-3610; Nathan_Darnall@fws.gov. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States. Please see Docket No. FWS-R6-ES-2023-0114 on <https://www.regulations.gov> for a document that summarizes the March 19, 2024, proposed rule (89 FR 19546).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On March 19, 2024, we published a proposed rule (89 FR 19546) to remove the North Park phacelia from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Plants under the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), based on its recovery. The proposed rule opened a 60-day comment period, ending May 20, 2024. On September 12, 2025, following the receipt of substantive new information about the species, we finalized updates to the North Park phacelia SSA Report Version 2.0, which included incorporating population trend data in our resiliency analysis, more thoroughly characterizing genetic diversity across North Park phacelia populations, and updating our future condition assessment. We are reopening the comment period to allow the public the opportunity to provide additional comments on the March 19, 2024, proposed rule based on the new information and analysis in the updated SSA report and previous comments received on the March 19, 2024, proposed rule (89 FR 19546). For a description of previous Federal actions concerning the North Park phacelia and information on the types of comments that would be helpful to us in making a final determination on our proposal, please refer to the March 19, 2024, proposed rule (89 FR 19546).

Public Comments

We will accept written comments and information during the reopened comment period on our March 19, 2024, proposed rule to delist the North Park

phacelia (89 FR 19546). We will consider information and recommendations from all interested parties. We intend that any final action resulting from the proposed rule will be based on the best scientific and commercial data available and will be as accurate and as effective as possible. Our final determination will take into consideration all comments and any additional information we receive during both comment periods on the proposed rule.

Because we will consider all comments and information we receive during both open comment periods, our final determination may differ from our March 19, 2024, proposed rule (89 FR 19546). Based on the new information we receive (and, if relevant, any comments on that new information), we may conclude that the North Park phacelia is a threatened species or endangered species, or we may conclude that the species does not warrant listing as either an endangered species or a threatened species. In our final rule, we will clearly explain our rationale and the basis for our final decision, including why we made changes, if any, that differ from the March 19, 2024, proposed rule (89 FR 19546).

Authority

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

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