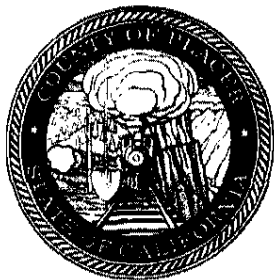


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July 30, 2013

Jan Knight, Acting Field Supervisor
 US Fish and Wildlife Service
 2800 Cottage Way Room, W-2605
 Sacramento, CA 95825

RE: Request for Field Hearing

Dear Ms. Knight:

The proposed Federal listing of critical habitat areas for the Sierra Nevada Mountain Yellow-Legged Frog, the distinct population segment of the Mountain Yellow Legged Frog and the Yosemite Frog would impact 3,365 acres of private land and 5,921 acres of public land within Placer County. This designation could have material economic, recreational and property rights concerns for our residents.

Therefore, I respectfully request the Fish and Wildlife Service conduct a field hearing in Placer County so that your staff can explain the details of the proposed listing to residents, answer questions and receive comments. County staff would be pleased to assist you in identifying a meeting location and in advising the public of the event.

To facilitate an informative and productive hearing, I ask that you provide a map that delineates the specific areas of impact to Placer County and any science-based data that supports identification of the critical habitat area.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request for the field hearing. You can confirm a hearing date and discuss details with Allison Carlos, Principal Management Analyst, at (530) 889-4030 or acarlos@placer.ca.gov

Sincerely,

COUNTY OF PLACER

David Boesch
 Placer County Executive Officer

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