

Form/respondent	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Total number of responses	Burden per response (hours)	Annual burden (hours)	Hourly wage rate (\$)	Total cost (\$) ³
Total	6,726,669	26,906,499	1,687,529	82,946,625

¹ **Note:** The time it takes each respondent (*i.e.*, donor, collector, laboratory, IITF, and MRO) to complete the Federal CCF is based on an average estimated number of minutes it would take each respondent to complete their designated section of the form or regulated entities (*e.g.* HHS, DOT, and NRC).

¹ **Note:** The above number of responses is based on an estimate of the total number of specimens collected annually (approximately 150,000 federal agency specimens; 6,500,000 DOT regulated specimens, and 145,000 NRC regulated specimens).

² **Note:** The estimate of 20 applications per year is based on requests for a laboratory application (urine or oral fluid) or IITF application in the past year (*i.e.*, at the time of these calculations).

² **Note:** The estimate of three burden hours to complete the application has not changed.

³ **Note:** At the time of these calculations, there were 18 certified laboratories and one certified IITF undergoing 2 maintenance inspections each year, and 1 applicant laboratory.

³ **Note:** The wage rates listed for each respondent are based on estimated average hourly wages for the individuals performing these tasks.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

Alicia Broadus,
Public Health Advisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Agreement Between the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of State and the Paraguayan National Commission for Stateless Persons and Refugees

AGENCY: Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of agreement.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security is publishing the Memorandum

of Understanding Between the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of State, on the one side, and the Paraguayan National Commission for Stateless Persons and Refugees, on the other side, for Cooperation in the Examination of Protection Requests, signed at Washington on August 14, 2025. The text is set out below.

Joseph N. Mazzara,
Acting General Counsel, U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
ON THE ONE SIDE,
AND
THE PARAGUAYAN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR STATELESS PERSONS AND REFUGEES,
ON THE OTHER SIDE,
FOR COOPERATION IN THE EXAMINATION OF PROTECTION REQUESTS

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the U.S. Department of State (together, the "U.S. Party"), on the one side, and the Paraguayan National Commission for Stateless Persons and Refugees ("CONARE"), on the other side, (collectively, "the Parties"),

DESIRING TO ensure the dignified, safe, and timely transfer from the United States of America to Paraguay of third country nationals present in the United States of America who may seek protection against return to their home country or country of former habitual residence,

AGREE as follows:

ARTICLE 1

1. The U.S. Party shall propose to CONARE the transfer of third-country nationals present in the United States of America who may seek protection against return to their home country or country of former habitual residence.
2. CONARE shall consider accepting in whole or in part a proposal made by the U.S. Party in accordance with paragraph 1.

ARTICLE 2

The Parties' actions under this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) shall be in accordance with the obligations of their respective states under the Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees, done at Geneva on July 28, 1951; the Protocol Relating to the Status

of Refugees, done at New York on January 31, 1967; the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, adopted in New York on December 10, 1984; and any other respective international obligations, national constitutions, laws, regulations, and immigration and visa policies of the Parties, including consideration by CONARE of requests by these third country nationals for asylum, refugee protection, or equivalent temporary protection.

ARTICLE 3

1. CONARE agrees not to return any person transferred to Paraguay by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to their home country or country of former habitual residence until a final decision has been made regarding any pending protection claims.
2. CONARE shall determine a procedure, consistent with its relevant obligations, to resolve the status of those who may abandon pending claims or fail to seek protection.
3. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security shall not transfer unaccompanied minors pursuant to this MOU.

ARTICLE 4

1. The U.S. Party and CONARE shall develop operating procedures to assist with the implementation of this MOU.
2. In the event of a divergence of interpretation or implementation, the Parties commit to resolve such matters through dialogue or diplomatic channels.

ARTICLE 5

1. This MOU shall enter into force upon signature.
2. Either the U.S. Party or CONARE may terminate or suspend this MOU at any time by notifying the other side in writing.

3. The Parties may agree in writing to any amendments to this MOU, and such amendments shall constitute an integral part of this MOU, consistent with any applicable legal requirements.
4. Nothing set forth in this MOU shall be interpreted in such a way that commits the disbursement or allocation of funds by the Parties. The implementation of this MOU shall be subject to the availability of funds and technical capacity of each Party.

DONE, in duplicate, in the English and Spanish languages, both texts being equally authentic.

FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY:



Place: Washington

Date: 8/14/2025

FOR THE PARAGUAYAN NATIONAL
COMMISSION ON STATELESS PERSONS
AND REFUGEES:



Place: Washington

Date: 8/14/2025

FOR THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
STATE:



Place: Washington

Date: 8/14/2025

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**[Docket No. FWS-R4-ES-2025-1067;
FXES11140400000-256-FF04EF4000]**Receipt of Incidental Take Permit Application and Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan for the Sand Skink and Blue-Tailed Mole Skink; Osceola County, FL; Categorical Exclusion****AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce receipt of an application from Osceola County (Westside Technology Park) (applicant) for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the Endangered Species Act. The applicant requests the ITP to take the federally listed sand skink and blue-tailed mole skink incidental to the construction of a County park in Osceola County, Florida. We request public comment on the application, which includes the applicant's proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP), and on the Service's preliminary determination that the proposed permitting action may be eligible for a categorical exclusion pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Department of the Interior's (DOI) NEPA regulations, and the DOI Departmental Manual (DM). To make this preliminary determination, we prepared a draft screening form and NEPA statement for HCPs, which is available for public review. We invite comment from the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies.

DATES: We must receive your written comments on or before January 22, 2026.

ADDRESSES:

Obtaining Documents: The documents related to this notice, as well as any comments and other materials that we receive, will be available for public inspection online in Docket No. FWS-R4-ES-2025-1067 at <https://www.regulations.gov>.

Submitting Comments: If you wish to submit comments on any of the documents, you may do so in writing by one of the following methods:

- *Online:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on Docket No. FWS-R4-ES-2025-1067;

- *U.S. Mail:* Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS-R4-ES-2025-1067; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: PRB/3W, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Samantha Hermann, by U.S. mail (see **ADDRESSES**), by telephone at 850-347-2671 or via email at Samantha_Hermann@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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the Service, announce receipt of an application from Osceola County (Westside Technology Park) (applicant) for an ITP, also known as a section 10(a)(1)(B) permit, under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The applicant requests the ITP to take federally listed sand skinks (*Neopseps (=Plestiodon) reynoldsi*) and blue-tailed mole skinks (*Eumeces egregius lividus*) (skinks) incidental to the construction and operation of a County park in Osceola County, Florida.

We request public comment on the application, which includes the applicant's HCP, and on the Service's preliminary determination that this proposed ITP may qualify for a categorical exclusion pursuant to NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), DOI's NEPA regulations (43 CFR 46), and DOI's DM (516 DM 8.5(C)(2)). To make this preliminary determination, we prepared a draft screening form and NEPA statement for HCPs, which is available for public review.

Proposed Project

The applicant requests a 5-year ITP to take skinks via the conversion of approximately 0.47 acres (ac) of occupied nesting, foraging, and sheltering skink habitat incidental to the construction and operation of Westside Technology Park on 40 acres, Parcel #07-25-27-000000-200000 in Section 07, Township 25 South, Range 27 East, Osceola County, Florida.

The applicant proposes to mitigate for take of the skinks by purchasing credits equivalent to 0.94 ac of skink-occupied habitat within a Service-approved conservation bank. The Service would require the applicant to purchase the credits no later than 30 days after the issuance of the permit and prior to any

clearing activities. The applicant will provide educational opportunities through signage and QR codes that will focus on native plants and wildlife including the sand and blue-tailed mole skinks and their habitat.

Our Preliminary Determination

The Service has made a preliminary determination that reasonably foreseeable effects of the applicant's proposed project, including the construction of the county park and associated clearing, would have a minor effect on the skinks and the human environment and that no extraordinary circumstances in 43 CFR 46.215 apply. Reasonably foreseeable effects encompass effects of implementation of the action including effects of the action in addition to other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable future effects.

Therefore, we have preliminarily determined that the proposed ESA section 10(a)(1)(B) permit would be a low-effect ITP that may qualify for application of a categorical exclusion (516 DM 8.5(C)(2)), pursuant to NEPA and DOI's NEPA regulations and DM. A low-effect ITP is one that would result in (1) negligible or minor individual or cumulative effects on species covered in the HCP; (2) no significant effect on the human environment; and (3) reasonably foreseeable effects that would not result in significant effects to the human environment.

Next Steps

The Service will evaluate the application and the comments to determine whether to issue the requested ITP. We will also conduct an intra-Service consultation pursuant to section 7 of the ESA to evaluate the effects of the proposed take. After considering the preceding and other matters, we will determine whether the permit issuance criteria of section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA have been met. If met, the Service will issue ITP number PER 21116185 to Osceola County.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made available to the public. If you submit a comment at <https://www.regulations.gov>, your entire comment, including any personal identifying information, will be posted on the website. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, such as your address, phone number, or