

On December 29, 1994, the Service reopened and extended the public comment period until February 13, 1995, to accommodate a public hearing held on January 31, 1995, in Bakersfield, California (59 FR 67268). In response to a letter dated January 25, 1995, from Congressmen Richard Pombo and William M. Thomas of California requesting an extension in the public comment period until June and several other similar requests made in writing or given in testimony at the public

hearing, the Service extends the comment period to allow for the collection of additional data during 1995 field season on the status and distribution of the proposed plants. Written comments may now be submitted until June 4, 1995, to the Service in the **ADDRESSES** section.

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Authority

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

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