of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Copies of specific information collection requirements, related forms and explanatory material may be obtained by contacting the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer at the address and/or phone numbers listed below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments and suggestions on specific requirements should be sent to the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222 ARLSQ, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephen R. Vehrs, Refuge Program Specialist, Division of Refugees, 703/358-2397.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Service proposes to submit the following information collection clearance requirements to OMB for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104–13. Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The issuance of a Permit by the Fish and Wildlife Service for access to units of the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee et seq.) as amended; the Refuge Recreation Act (16 U.S.C. 460K–3); the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105–57); and as implemented by regulations in 50 CFR 25–38. The information requested prior to issuing the Permit is required to obtain a benefit, and will assist the Service in administering System programs in accordance with the above statutory authorities. The Improvement Act requires that a wildlife dependent recreational use or any other uses of a refuge that, in the sound professional judgment of the Director, will not materially interfere with or detract from the fulfillment of the mission of the System or the purposes for which the refuge was established. The information is needed by the Service to make this determination before a permit can be issued.

The permit is required for any person entering a national wildlife refuge, unless otherwise provided under the provisions of 50 CFR, subchapter C. The permittee must abide by all the terms and conditions set forth in the permit.

Information collected in submitting an application for a permit, prior to issuing a permit, may be used to evaluate and conclude the eligibility of, or merely document, permit applicants. The Service will require the use of permits as a condition in new and revised regulations pursuant to the Refuge Improvement Act.

The Service will provide Special Use Permit forms as requested by interested citizens. The required written forms and/or verbal application information will be sued by the Service to ensure that the applicant is eligible to receive a Permit.

Title: United States Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Special Use Permit.

Bureau form number: 3–1383.

Frequency of collection: On occasion.

Description of respondents: Individuals or households; State, local, or Tribal governments; businesses or other for profit and not-for-profit institutions.

Number of respondents: 10,000.

Estimated completion time: The reporting burden for FWS Form 3–1383 (Special Use Permit) is estimated to be 30 minutes.

Burden estimate: 5,000 hours.


Carolyn A. Bohan,
Acting Assistant Director for Refuges and Wildlife.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application.

The following applicant has applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, et seq.).

PRT–697830

Applicant: Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

The applicant requests to renew and amend his current permit to take the following species for scientific purposes and the enhancement of propagation or survival of the species in the wild in accordance with listing, recovery outlines, recovery plans, and/or other Service work for those species:

Mammals
bat, gray (Myotis grisescens)
bat, Indiana (Myotis sodalis)
bat, Ozark big-eared (Plecotus townsendii ingens)
wolf (Canis lupus)

Birds
eagle, bald (Haliaeetus leucocephalus)
falcon, peregrine (Falco peregrinus)
plower, piping (Charadrius melodus)
tern, least (Sterna antillarum)
warbler, Kirtland's (wood) (Dendroica kirtlandii)

Reptiles
snake, copperbelly water (northern population) (Nerodia erythrogaster neglecta)

Fish
cavefish, Ozark (Amblyopsis rosea)
darter, Niangua (Ethostoma nianguae)
madtom, Scioto (Noturus traumatini)
madtom, Ososho (Noturus placidus)
sturgeon, pallid (Scaphirhynchus albus)

Clams
clubshell (Pleurobema clava)
fanshell [Cyprogenia stegaria (=irrorata)]
mussel, ring pink (=goose pearly) (Obvaria retusa)
mussel, winged mapleleaf (Quadruma fragosa)
pearlymussel, cracking [Hemistena (=Lastena) lata]
pearlymussel, Curtis' [Epioblasma (=Dysnoria) florentina curtisi]
pearlymussel, Higgins' eye (Lampsilis higginsi)
pearlymussel, orange-foot pimple back (Plethobamus cooperianus)
pearlymussel, pink mucket (Lampsilis (Carbula) orbiculata)
pearlymussel, purple cat's paw pearly mussel [Epioblasma (=Dysnoria) obliquata obliqua (=golf stick pearly)]
pearlymussel, tubercled-blossom [Epioblasma (=Dysnoria) turgida torulosa]
pearlymussel, turgid-blossom [Epioblasma (=Dysnoria) turgida]
pearlymussel, white cat's paw [Epioblasma (=Dysnoria) obliqua perobliqua]
pearlymussel, white wartyback (Plethobusis cicatricosus)
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service
Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10 (a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 USC 1531 et seq.).

Permit No. 837580
Applicant: Robert Weppler, Riverside, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey) the Delhi-Sands flower-loving fly (Rhaphiomidas terminatus abdominalis) throughout its range in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and ecological research throughout the species range in California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 814215
Applicant: Claude Edwards, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (Euphydryas editha quino) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and ecological research throughout the species range in California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 821229
Applicant: David G. Crawford, Agoura Hills, California.

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey) the Delhi-Sands flower loving fly (Rhaphiomidas terminatus abdominalis) in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, California, and take (harass by survey) the tidewater goby (Eucyclobius newberryi) throughout its range in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 838015
Applicant: Stephan Henry Sprague, Anaheim, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the Delhi-Sands flower loving fly (Rhaphiomidas terminatus abdominalis), Quino checkerspot butterfly (Euphydryas editha quino), and the coastal California gnatcatcher (Polioptila californica californica) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys throughout its range in California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111—4056, and must be received within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111—4056. Telephone: (612)/725—3536 x224; FAX: (612)/725—3526.


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