DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have 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.):

Applicant: Taylor W. Jones, Atlanta, GA, PRT-017657

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damaliscus pygargus dorcas) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Randy Kalp, Pleasant Unity, PA, PRT-017657

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damaliscus pygargus dorcas) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: University of Illinois/Chicago, Chicago, IL, PRT-017651

The applicant requests a permit to import blood samples from three (3) captive-held Baird’s Tapirs (Tapirus bairdii) maintained under the management program of the Belize Zoo, Belize City, Belize, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through genetic studies.

Applicant: Bowmanville Zoological Park Ltd, c/o Whitfield’s Tigers and Lions, Suisun City, CA, PRT-017088

The applicant requests a permit to purchase and export one Bengal tiger (Panthera tigris tigris) to Bowmanville Zoological Park Ltd., Ontario, Canada for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through propagation and conservation education.

Applicant: Mike Popper, Sewickley, PA, PRT-017654

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (Ursus maritimus) sport-hunted, taken prior to April 30, 1994, from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada, for personal use.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete application, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be sent to the U.S.
Department of the Interior

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Submission of Collection of Water Delivery and Electric Service Data for the Operation of Irrigation and Power Projects and Systems to Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is submitting two information collection requests for extension to the Office of Management and Budget. The two collections are:

- Irrigation and Power Projects and Systems (see 25 CFR 171).
- Electric Service Application (see 25 CFR 3501-3504).

OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection on those who respond.

The Bureau of Indian Affairs solicits comments in order to:

1. Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the bureau, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. Evaluate the bureau’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days; therefore, comments submitted within 30 days are more assured of receiving maximum consideration. Please note that comments, names and addresses of commentors are available for public review during normal business hours. If you wish us to withhold any information you submit, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law.

Tittle: Water Request.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Description of Respondents: BIA Irrigation Project Water Users.

Total Respondents: 25,000.

Total Annual Responses: 51,500.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,292 hours.

Tittle: Electric Service Application.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Description of Respondents: BIA Electric Power Consumers.

Total Respondents: 4,750.

Total Annual Responses: 4,750.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,188 hours.


Kristen Nelson,
Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Certified Noxious Weed-Free Forage, ND

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of final supplementary rules to require the use of certified noxious weed-free forage on BLM-administered lands in North Dakota.

SUMMARY: The North Dakota Field Office of the BLM recently prepared an environmental assessment (EA) documenting the analysis of two alternatives for managing noxious weeds on public lands in North Dakota. The EA’s proposed action consisted of a supplementary rule under 43 CFR 8365.1–6 to require the use of certified noxious weed-free forage on those public lands. Forage subject to this supplementary rule would include hay, straw, cubes, grains, and mulch.

Therefore, the Field Manager is requiring that public land users, including local, State, or Federal government agents conducting administrative activities, recreationists using pack and saddle stock, and contractors using straw or other mulch for reseeding purposes, use certified noxious weed-free forage products, or other approved products such as pelletized feed, while on the approximately 60,000 acres of BLM-administered public lands in North Dakota. Copies of the EA, Finding of No Significant Impact, and Decision Record are available at the BLM North Dakota Field Office in Dickinson, ND.

There were no comments on the Notice of Proposed Supplementary Rules To Require the Use of Certified Noxious Weed-Free Forage on BLM-Administered Lands in North Dakota, placed in the Federal Register dated June 17, 1999.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The Final Supplementary Rules will be effective October 29, 1999 and will remain in effect until modified or rescinded by the Authorized Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: BLM—North Dakota Field Office, Don Ruffledt, Natural Resource Specialist, 2933 3rd Ave. W., Dickinson, ND.