of Alaska 3 adult Northern sea otters and export them to their facility in
Japan for the purpose of public display.


Period of Activity: Up to 5 years, if
issued.

Applicant: Ibaraki Prefectural Oarai
Aquarium, Ibaraki, Japan. PRT–043001.

Permit Type: Take and Export for public
display.

Name and Number of Animals:
Northern sea otter (Enhydra lutris
lutra), 1.4.

Summary of Activity to be
Authorized: The applicant requests a
permit to live capture from the waters
of Alaska 5 adult Northern sea otters
and export them to their facility in
Japan for the purpose of public display.

Source of Marine Mammals: Wild sea
otters from Alaska.

Period of Activity: Up to 5 years, if
issued.

Applicant: California Department of
Fish and Game, Santa Cruz, California, PRT–039953.

Permit Type: Take for Enhancement.

Name and Number of Animals:
Southern sea otter (Enhydra lutris
nerveis), variable number.

Summary of Activity to be
Authorized: The applicant requests an
enhancement permit to hold Southern
sea otters for rehabilitation purposes at
their Marine Wildlife Veterinary Care
and Research Center; animals will be
held for rehabilitation purposes pending
return to the wild.

Source of Marine Mammals: Stranded
animals in need of rehabilitation.

Period of Activity: Up to 5 years, if
issued.

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

Applicant: Richard T. Adams, Verdi,
NV, PRT–043591.

The applicant requests a permit to
import a polar bear (Ursus maritimus)
sport-hunted prior to April 30, 1994,
from the Northern Beaufort polar bear
population in Canada for personal use.

Applicant: James A. Cummings, Fort
Lauderdale, FL, PRT–043611.

The applicant requests a permit to
import a polar bear (Ursus maritimus)
sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound
golden bear population in Canada for
personal use.

Applicant: Thomas E. Ferry, Ponca,
NE, PRT–043735.

The applicant requests a permit to
import a polar bear (Ursus maritimus)
sport-hunted from the Northern
Beaufort Sea polar bear population in
Canada for personal use.

Applicant: Bruce DeShano, Pigeon,
MI, PRT–043824.

The applicant requests a permit to
import a polar bear (Ursus maritimus)
sport-hunted from the Northern
Beaufort Sea polar bear population in
Canada for personal use.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife has
information collection approval from OMB through February 28, 2001. OMB
Control Number 1018–0093. Federal
Agencies may not conduct or sponsor
and a person is not required to respond
to a collection of information unless it
displays a current valid OMB control
number.

Documents and other information
submitted with these applications are
available for review, subject to the
requirements of the Privacy Act and
Freedom of Information Act, 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, Division of
Management Authority, 4401 North
Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington,
Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358–2104);
Fax: (703/358–2281).

Dated: June 1, 2001.

Monica Farris,
Senior Biologist, Branch of Permits, Office
of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered Species Permit
Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit
applications.
conjunction with recovery activities throughout the species’ range for the purpose of enhancing its survival and recovery.

Applicant: Ronald J. Kass, Intermountain Ecosystems, Springville, Utah.

The applicant requests a permit to take Southwestern willow flycatchers (Empidonax traillii extimus) in conjunction with recovery activities throughout the species’ range for the purpose of enhancing its survival and recovery.

DATES: Written comments on these requests for permits must be received on or before July 16, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Assistant Regional Director-Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225–0486; facsimile 303–236–0027.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above; telephone 303–236–7400.

You must submit your comments to BLM at the appropriate address below on or before August 14, 2001. BLM will not necessarily consider any comments received after the above date.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to: Regulatory Affairs Group (630), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street, NW., Room 401LS, Washington, DC 20240.

You may send comments via Internet to: WOCComment@blm.gov. Please include “ATTN: 1004–0172 and 1004–0181” and your name and return address in your Internet message.

You may hand deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Andrew Goldsmith, Management Systems Group, Business and Fiscal Resources Directorate, on (202) 452–5169 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1–800–877–8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Mr. Goldsmith.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: 5 CFR 1320.12(a) requires that we provide a 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning a collection of information to solicit comments on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and

(c) Ways to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical or to her technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. BLM will receive and analyze any comments sent in response to this notice and include them with its request for approval from OMB under 44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.

I. Background

The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (Pub. L. No 103–62) sets out to “improve Federal program effectiveness and public accountability by promoting a new focus on results, service quality, and customer satisfaction.” In order to fulfill this responsibility, the BLM and USDAFS must collect data from their respective user groups to:

1. Better understand the needs and desires of the public; and
2. Respond to those needs and desires accordingly.

Executive Order No. 12862 fortifies this course of action. The Order discusses surveys as a means to determine the kinds and qualities of services the Federal Government’s customers desire and to determine satisfaction levels for existing services. The BLM and USDAFS use these voluntary customer surveys to ascertain customer satisfaction with our services and products. Respondents are individuals and organizations who receive our services and products. Previous customer surveys provide useful information to assess how well we deliver our services, products, and for making improvements.

II. Current Actions

The request to OMB will be for a three-year clearance to conduct customer surveys in the BLM and USDAFS. Over the past several years, we conducted several customer surveys, including the use of focus groups an a BLM–USDAFS comment card. The BLM uses this information to improve its products and services. (Examples of previously conducted customer surveys are available upon request.) Our planned activities in the next three fiscal years reflect our increased emphasis on and expansion of these activities.

III. Methodology

The BLM and USDAFS survey customers in the following general categories:

1. Use requiring authorization;
2. State and private forestry;
3. Timber sales;
4. Wild horse and burro;
5. Research;
6. Law enforcement;
7. Fire and aviation;
8. Wildlife and fisheries;
9. Recreation;
10. Information [general, land, title, and technology-based];
11. Pilot programs;
12. Stakeholders and partners; and
13. State and local governments.