DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permit for marine mammals.

SUMMARY: The following permits were issued.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358–2104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 30, 2002, a notice was published in the Federal Register (67 FR 66166), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Neil Bayley for a permit (PRT–200195) to import one polar bear (Ursus maritimus) sport hunted from the Northern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Canada, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on February 3, 2003, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.) the Fish and Wildlife Service issued the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.


Michael S. Moore, Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Council) Meeting Announcement

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Council will meet to select North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) grant proposals for recommendation to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission (Commission). The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: March 4, 2003, 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Department of the Interior, South Penthouse, 18th and C Streets, NW., Washington, DC 20240. The Council Coordinator is located at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP 4501–4075, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax (703) 358–2281.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David A. Smith, Council Coordinator, (703) 358–1784 or dbhc@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with NAWCA (Pub. L. 101–210) as amended), the State-private-Federal Council meets to consider wetland acquisition, restoration, enhancement and management projects for recommendation to, and final funding approval by, the Commission. Proposal due dates, application instructions, and eligibility requirements are available through the NAWCA Web site at http://birdhabitat.fws.gov. Proposals require a minimum of 50 percent non-Federal matching funds.

Eighteen Canadian proposals will be considered at the Council meeting. The tentative date for the Commission meeting is June 18.


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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

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Fair Market Value Meeting for the South Crandall Canyon Coal Tract, Emery County, UT

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and call for public comment on the proposed sale and fair market value and maximum economic recovery consideration for coal lease application UTU–78953.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will hold a public meeting on March 17, 2003, for the proposed competitive sale of the South Crandall Canyon coal Tract. BLM requests public comment on the fair market value and environmental effects of this tract. The BLM and the Manti-La Sal National Forest signed a Decision Notice/Finding of No Significant Impact dated February 13, 2003 that discusses the environmental effects of mining this tract. The Notice of Decision was published in the Emery County Progress and the Sun Advocate on February 18, 2003. The lands included in the delineated Federal coal lease tract ("South Crandall Canyon") are located in Emery County, Utah approximately 5 miles north of Huntington, Utah on public lands located in the Manti-La Sal National Forest and are described as follows:

T. 16 S., R. 7 E., SLM, Emery County, Utah.
Section 4, W2SW4, S2SW4NW4.
Section 5, SE4, S2SE4NE4.
Section 8, E2, NE4NW4, S2NW4.
Section 9, NW4

Approximately 880 acres

Genwal Resources submitted the application for the coal lease. The company plans to mine the coal as an extension from their existing Crandall Canyon mine if the lease is obtained. The South Crandall Canyon coal tract has two potentially minable coal beds, the Blind Canyon and Hiawatha. The minable portions of the coal beds in this area are from 6 to 8 feet in thickness. The tract contains more than 5 million tons of recoverable high-volatile C bituminous coal. The coal quality in the seams on an “as received basis” is as