SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Endangered Species

The public is invited to comment on the following applications 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.). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

Applicant: Robin D. Nations, Brookhaven, MS, PRT–110370.

The applicant requests a permit to import four live captive-born African wild dogs (Lycaon pictus) from South Africa for the purpose of breeding and enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: National Zoological Park, DC, PRT–107677.

The applicant requests a permit to import semen samples from one male captive Asian elephant (Elephas maximus) to the Rotterdam Zoo, the Netherlands for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species/scientific research.


The applicant requests a permit to import semen samples from one male captive Asian elephant (Elephas maximus) from Canada for the purpose of breeding and enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, Cincinnati, OH, PRT–108598.

The applicant requests a permit to import semen samples from black-footed cats (Felis nigripes) from South Africa for the purpose of breeding and enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Pittsburgh Zoo & PPG Aquarium, Pittsburgh, PA, PRT–108766.

The applicant requests a permit to import four live captive-born African wild dogs (Lycaon pictus) from the De Wildt Cheetah Centre, in South Africa for the purpose of breeding and enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: John D. Smith, Metter, GA, PRT–114211.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (Damaliscus pygargus pygargus) 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.


The applicant requests permits to export two captive-born tigers (Panthera tigris) to worldwide locations for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education. The permit numbers and animals are: PRT–111429, “Kirra,” and 111430, “Sedona.” This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a three-year period and the import of any potential progeny born while overseas.


Monica Farris,
Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability for the Renewal of an Expired Section 10(a)(1)(B) Permit for Incidental Take of the Golden-Cheeked Warbler in Travis County, TX (Caster)

SUMMARY: On September 24, 1999, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) issued a section 10(a)(1)(B) permit, pursuant to Section 10(a) of the Endangered Species Act (Act), for incidental take of the golden-cheeked warbler (GCW) (Dendroica chrysoparia) to John and Christine Caster (Applicants). The permit (TE-012423) was for a period of five years and expired on September 24, 2004. The requested permit renewal will extend the permit expiration by five years from the date the permit is reissued.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be received on or before December 21, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the request for extension, former incidental take permit, or other related documents may obtain a copy by written or telephone request to Scott Rowin, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78758, (512/490–0057 ext. 224). Documents will be available for public inspection by written request, or by appointment only, during normal business hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) at the Fish and Wildlife Service Austin Office. Comments concerning the request for renewal should be submitted in writing to the Field Supervisor at the above address. Please refer to permit number TE-012423–0 when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott Rowin at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Austin Office, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78758, (512/490–0057 ext. 224)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 9 of the Act prohibits the “taking” of endangered species such as the GCW. However, the Service, under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take endangered wildlife species incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for endangered species are at 50 CFR 17.22. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Applicant: John and Christine Caster plan to construct a single family residence (SFR) on their 10-acre lot located adjacent to City Park Road in Austin, Travis County, Texas. The construction of a SFR on approximately one acre of the 10-acre lot will eliminate less than one acre of GCW habitat and indirectly impact less than four additional acres of habitat. The original permit included, and the Applicants continue to propose to compensate for, incidental take of the GCW by providing $1,500 to the Balcones Canyonslands Preserve, and placing a perpetual conservation easement on the remaining approximately nine acres to the Balcones Canyonslands Preserve. Since this property is located within the acquisition boundaries of the Balcones Canyonslands Preserve, it will add additional acreage to the preserve. The Applicants have agreed to follow all of the existing permit terms and conditions. If renewed, all of the permit terms and conditions will remain the same, and no additional take will be authorized.

Larry G. Bell,
Acting Regional Director, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits for marine mammals.

SUMMARY: The following permits were issued.
Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of 30 U.S.C. 188(d) and (e), and 43 CFR 3108.2–3(a) and (b)(1), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) received a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease COC67712 from Cutler Exploration, JDW Inc, Nortex Corporation and Rocky Mountain Resources Inc for lands in Moffat County, Colorado. The petition was timely filed and was accompanied by all the rentals due since the date the lease terminated under the law.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael S. Moore, Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that on the dates below, 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 permits subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease NNMN 13277

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of section 371(a) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, the lessee(s), Culbertson Management Trust, Dan W. Irwin, and Kathleen Irwin Schuster, timely filed a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease NNMN 13277 in Lea County, NM. The lessees paid the required rental accruing from the date of termination, June 1, 2002.

No leases were issued that affect these lands. The lessee agrees to the new lease terms for rentals and royalties at $25 per acre and 24% percent rate. The lessees paid the $500 administration fee for the reinstatement of the lease and $158 cost for publishing this Notice.

The lessees met the requirements for reinstatement of the lease per Sec. 31(e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 186(e)). We are proposing to reinstate the lease, effective the date of termination subject to:

• The original terms and conditions of the lease;
• The increased rental of ($25) per acre;
• The increased royalty of 24% percent or 4 percentages above the existing competitive royalty rate; and
• The $158 cost of publishing this Notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gloria Baca, BLM, New Mexico State Office, (505) 438–7566.

Dated: November 4, 2005.

Gloria Baca, Land Law Examiner.