with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.); NEPA Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500–1508); other appropriate Federal laws and regulations; and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those laws and regulations. All comments received from individuals on Service Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, NEPA (40 CFR 1506.6(l)), and other Departmental and Service policies and procedures.


Stephen Guertin,
Acting Regional Director.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species and/or marine mammals.

DATES: Written data, comments or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

Applicant: National Institutes of Health/National Cancer Institute, Frederick, MD, PRT–694126.

The applicant requests renewal of their permit to import biological samples from wild, captive-held, and/or captive-born endangered mammals for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.


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.

Applicant: Alex R. Stowe, Jr., Plano, TX, PRT–167253.

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.

Applicant: Jeffrey S. Sorg, Kalispell, MT, PRT–167302.

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.

Applicant: Detroit Zoological Society, Detroit, MI, PRT–160107.

The applicant requests a permit for permanent placement of one non-releasable male polar bear (Ursus maritimus) for the purpose of public display. The animal was recovered as an orphaned cub in Alaska in 1988. The Service has determined that this animal does not demonstrate the skills and abilities needed to survive in the wild.

Applicant: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, St. Petersburg, FL, PRT–773494.

The applicant requests renewal and amendment of their permit to capture, tag, drug, collect biological specimens, photograph, aerial survey, and harass Florida manatees (Trichechus manatus) and to import, export, and re-export biological specimens from all manatees (T. manatus, T. inunguis, and T. senegalensis) and dugongs (Dugong dugon) for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

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.

Dated: November 9, 2007.

Lisa J. Lierheimer,
Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits for endangered species and/or marine mammals.

SUMMARY: The following permits were issued.

DATES:

ADDRESSES: 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: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

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

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).

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that on the dates below, as authorized by the provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, and/or 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. For each permit for an endangered species, the Service found that (1) the application was filed in good faith, (2) the granted permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) the granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in Section 2 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of Application for Approval
AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of receipt of application for approval; request for comment.
SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following application for approval to conduct certain activities with bird species covered under the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 112(4) of the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992, 50 CFR 15.26(c). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of this complete application should be submitted to the Chief (address above).
Applicant: Mr. Franklin A. Smith, Plant City, FL.
The applicant wishes to establish a cooperative breeding program for green-winged king-parrot (Alisterus chloropterus chloropterus), Australian king-parrot (Alisterus scapularis), Twenty-eight parakeet (Barnardi zonarius semitorquatus), Port Lincoln parakeet (Barnardi zonarius zonarius), bluebonnet parakeet (Northiella haematogaster), moustached parakeet (Psittacula alexandri alexandri), emerald-collared parakeet (Psittacula calthorpae), Malabar parakeet (Psittacula columnoboides), plum-headed parakeet (Psittacula cyanocephala), and slaty-headed parakeet (Psittacula himalayana hismalayana). The applicant wishes to be an active participant in this program along with four other individuals. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.
Dated: November 9, 2007.
Lisa J. Lieheimer,
Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Proposed Withdrawal Extension and Opportunity for Public Meeting: Montana
AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.
ACTION: Notice.
SUMMARY: On behalf of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Forest Service, the Secretary of the Interior proposes to extend Public Land Order No. 6669 for an additional 20-year period. The order withdrew National Forest System land from mining to protect the Lincoln Gulch Historic Site. This notice also gives an opportunity to comment on the proposed action and to request a public meeting. The land has been and will remain open to the appropriate forms of surface entry and mineral leasing.
DATES: Comments and requests for a public meeting must be received by March 3, 2008.
ADDRESS: Comments and meeting requests should be sent to the Regional Forester, U.S. Forest Service, Region 1, P.O. Box 7669, Missoula, Montana 59807, or the Montana State Director, Bureau of Land Management, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101–4669.