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.

DATES: Written data, comments or requests must be received by March 27, 2008.

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 within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, Virginia 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).

Applicant: The Peregrine Fund, Boise, ID, PRT–065258.

The applicant requests renewal of their permit to import, export, and re-export multiple shipments of biological samples from wild, captive-held, and/or captive born endangered species of the Order Falconiformes and Strigiformes from worldwide sources, for the purpose of scientific research. No animals can be intentionally killed for the purpose of collecting specimens. Any invasively collected samples can only be collected by trained personnel. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a period of 5 years.

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, San Diego, CA, PRT–171205.

The applicant requests a permit to export biological specimens from one male captive-born ring-tailed lemur (Lemur catta) to Dr. Werner Schempp, Albert-Ludwig Universität, Freiburg, Germany, for the purpose of scientific research.

Applicant: Orlando DeAndar, McAllen, TX, PRT–173461.

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: Spencer C. Scott, San Antonio, TX, PRT–147912.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male black Rhinoceros (Diceros bicornis) taken from a ranch in the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, IL, PRT–698170.

The applicant requests renewal of their permit to export and re-import non-living museum specimens of endangered and threatened species of plants and animals previously accessioned into the applicant’s collection for scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

Dated: February 1, 2008.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UTU 42920]

Public Land Order No. 7689; Revocation of Secretarial Order Dated June 28, 1943; Utah

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order revokes a Secretarial Order in its entirety, as it affects the remaining 160 acres of lands in Box Elder and Cache Counties, Utah, withdrawn from surface entry and mining on behalf of the Bureau of Reclamation for the Bear River Storage Project. The lands are no longer needed for reclamation purposes and this order will open the lands to surface entry and mining.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 27, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rhonda Flynn, BLM Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, Suite 500, Salt Lake City, Utah 84101–1345, 801–539–4132.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Project was never developed and the lands are no longer needed for reclamation purposes. The Bureau of Reclamation has requested the withdrawal revocation. Approximately 1,080 acres were originally withdrawn, but the Secretarial Order has since been partially revoked. A copy of the pertinent withdrawal orders containing a legal description of the lands involved is available from the BLM Utah State Office at the address above.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

1. The Secretarial Order dated June 28, 1943, which originally withdrew approximately 1,080 acres of lands from surface entry and mining and reserved them on behalf of the Bureau of Reclamation for the Bear River Storage Project, is hereby revoked in its entirety as to any remaining lands.

2. At 10 a.m. on March 27, 2008, the lands will be opened to the operation of the public land laws generally, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. All valid applications received at or prior to 10 a.m. on March 27, 2008, shall be considered as simultaneously filed at that time. Those received thereafter shall be considered in the order of filing.

3. At 10 a.m. on March 27, 2008, the lands will be opened to location and entry under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights, the provisions of existing withdrawals, other segregations of record, and the requirements of applicable law. Appropriation of any of the lands referenced in this order under the general mining laws prior to the date and time of restoration is unauthorized. Any such attempted appropriation, including attempted adverse possession under 30 U.S.C. 38 (2000), shall vest no rights against the United States. State law governs acts required to establish a location and to initiate a right of possession where not in conflict with