compliance, along with the permit application, to conduct certain activities with endangered or threatened species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes you to conduct activities in the United States or its territories that facilitate scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival of, or the recovery of, an endangered or threatened species.

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following application. Documents and other information the applicant has submitted are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Freedom of Information Act.

We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to respond to the respective permit number (e.g., Permit No. TE–131638) in the subject line of the message.

U.S. Mail: Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486–DFC, Denver, CO 80225

In-Person Drop-off, Viewing, or Pickup: Call (303) 236–4212 to make an appointment during regular business hours at 134 Union Blvd., Suite 645, Lakewood, CO 80228.

For Further Information Contact:
Kathy Konishi, Permit Coordinator, Ecological Services, (303) 236–4212 (phone); permitsR6ES@fws.gov (email).

Supplementary Information:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17, the Act provides for permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

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We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following application. Documents and other information the applicant has submitted are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Application Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following application. Documents and other information the applicant has submitted are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Application Number: TE–131638

Applicant: Living Planet Aquarium, 12033 South Lone Peak Parkway, Draper, UT 84020

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to receive (display, care, and perform minor medical or veterinary procedures on) hawksbill sea turtle (Eretmochelys imbricata), Kemp’s ridley sea turtle (Lepidochelys kempii), and loggerhead sea turtle (Caretta caretta) to be acquired from U.S. turtle rehabilitation centers based on availability for the purpose of enhancing the species’ survival.


Michael G. Thabault,
Assistant Regional Director, Mountain-Prairie Region.

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

Authority:
We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.)


Michael G. Thabault,
Assistant Regional Director, Mountain-Prairie Region.