endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

DATES: We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before April 21, 2017.

ADDRESS: Submitting Comments: You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

When submitting comments, please indicate the name of the applicant and the PRT# you are commenting on. We will post all comments on http://www.regulations.gov. This generally means that we will post any personal information you provide us (see the Public Comments section below for more information).

Viewing Comments: Comments and materials we receive will be available for public inspection on http://www.regulations.gov, or by appointment, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041–3803; telephone 703–358–2095.


Wild Bird Conservation Act Applications: Craig Hoover, Chief, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters, MS: IA; 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041–3803; telephone 703–358–2095; facsimile 703–358–2298.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), call the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

II. Background
To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), along with Executive Order 13576, “Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government,” and the President’s Memorandum for the Heads
of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; Jan. 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by disclosing information to the public, we invite public comment on these permit applications before final action is taken.

III. Permit Applications

A. Endangered Species

Applicant: Ruth Linsky, Ellensburg, WA; PRT–15011C

The applicant requests a permit to import saliva samples obtained noninvasively from wild Bornean orangutans (Pongo pygmaeus) within Cape Leaky, Tanjung Puting National Park for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through scientific research.

Applicant: Jude Lagarde, Baton Rouge, LA; PRT–04151C

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the Great green macaw (Ara ambiguus), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Dr. Frank Paladino, Indiana-Purdue University Fort Wayne, IN; PRT–06369C

The applicant requests a permit to collect skin, scute, and blood samples from hawksbill sea turtles (Eretmochelys imbricata) for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species/scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request 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: Ronald Price, Mesa, AZ; PRT–15386C

Applicant: Gary Cooper, Oakwood, OH; PRT–16709C

Applicant: John Watson, Richardson, TX; PRT–11484C

B. Wild Bird Conservation Act

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for approval to conduct certain activities with bird species covered under the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992 (16 U.S.C. 4901–4916). This notice is provided pursuant to section 112(4) of the Wild Bird Conservation Act of 1992 (50 CFR 15.26(c)).

Applicant: Vernon Brett Padgett, Atlanta, GA; PRT–12087C

The applicant wishes to be an active participant in this program along with the Dallas World Aquarium, Dallas, Texas, and John Bornemann, Dover, Florida.

If approved, the program will be overseen by the Zoological Association of America, Punta Gorda, Florida.

IV. Public Comments

You may submit your comments and materials concerning this notice by one of the methods listed in ADDRESSES. We will not consider comments sent by email or fax or to an address not listed in ADDRESSES.

If you submit a comment via http://www.regulations.gov, your entire comment, including any personal identifying information, will be posted on the Web site. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

We will post all hardcopy comments on http://www.regulations.gov.

V. Authority