

ACTION: Cancellation.

SUMMARY: The Minority Business Development Agency is cancelling the announcement to solicit competitive applications under its Minority Business Development Center (MBDC) Program to operate its Seattle MBDC. This solicitation was originally published in the **Federal Register**, Wednesday, February 15, 1995, Vol. 60, No. 31, 8641.

11.800 Minority Business Development Center

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance)

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Donald L. Powers,

Federal Register Liaison Officer, Minority Business Development Agency.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered Species; Permits

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of two applications for scientific research permits (P497C and P45S) and receipt of an application for Modification 4 to scientific research Permit 817 (P45K).

Notice is hereby given that Dr. Theodore Bjornn of the Idaho Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit (ICFW) in Moscow, ID, in association with Lowell Stuehrenberg of NMFS, and Stanley Smith of the National Biological Service (NBS) in Cook, WA have applied in due form for scientific research permits (P497C and P45S respectively) and that Stanley Smith of NBS has applied for Modification 4 to scientific research Permit 817 (P45K) to take listed species as authorized by section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

ICFW requests an ESA section 10 permit to capture adult, endangered, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) to test the efficiency of Merwin traps at six sites downstream of Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River under variable flow conditions. The Merwin traps will be used for a study, which will begin in 1996, to evaluate the passage of migrating adult salmon and steelhead around the dams and through the

reservoirs on the lower Columbia River and the lower Snake River. The adult anadromous fish will be migrating to upstream natal tributaries to spawn. A separate ESA section 10 permit will be requested for the study. The requested duration of this permit is mid-April to the end of May and mid-June to the end of July in 1995 only.

NBS requests an ESA section 10 scientific research permit to take juvenile, endangered, artificially propagated Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) as part of a study designed to provide managers with data on the distribution, abundance, movement, and habitat use by the anadromous fish that migrate through Lower Granite Reservoir. The study will provide detailed information on the response of migrating smolts to environmental changes that attend proposed reservoir drawdown and other river regulation scenarios. Project objectives and sampling plans will accommodate endangered species recovery needs and constraints. The juvenile fish to be used for the study will be collected at trap sites and by using purse seines, tagged with radio transmitters, and monitored electronically for their migratory patterns as far downriver as possible. The annual dates of collection will be from April 1 to May 26. The requested duration of the permit is 4 years.

Permit 817 authorizes NBS to take juvenile, endangered, Snake River fall and spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) as part of a study designed to assess the migration timing of juvenile anadromous salmon using passive integrated transponder (PIT) tags and Panjet marks. For Modification 4, NBS requests an increase in the number of their annual authorized take and approval to use an additional sampling gear type. The increase in the annual take is requested to obtain a sufficient sample size to estimate the migration timing of fish produced in the upper Snake and Clearwater Rivers to Lower Monumental Dam on the lower Snake River. Similar increases in the authorized take for this permit were processed in 1993 and 1994. In addition, NBS requests approval to use modified fyke nets instead of beach seines to capture fish for tagging and to assess nearshore movements of the marked fish in the Snake and Clearwater Rivers. Modification 4 is requested for the duration of the permit. The permit expires on December 31, 1996.

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of

Protected Resources, F/PR8, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226, within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular application would be appropriate. The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in this application summary are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Documents submitted in connection with the above application are available for review by interested persons in the following offices by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, NOAA, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and

Environmental and Technical Services Division, NMFS, NOAA, 525 North East Oregon St., Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232 (503-230-5400).

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Russell J. Bellmer,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Modification no. 3 to scientific research permit no. 717 (P77#44).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a request for modification of scientific research permit no. 717 submitted by Dr. Howard W. Braham, Alaska Fisheries Science Center, NMFS, NOAA, National Marine Mammal Laboratory, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Building 4, Seattle, WA 98115, has been granted.

ADDRESSES: The modified permit is available for review by interested persons in the following offices by appointment:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Northwest Region, NMFS, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., B1N C15700, Seattle, WA 98115 (206/526-6150); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200,