

reclassify a species presents substantial scientific or commercial information indicating that the petitioned action may be warranted. To the maximum extent practicable, this finding is to be made within 90 days of the receipt of the petition, and the finding is to be published promptly in the **Federal Register**. If the finding is positive, NMFS is required to commence a status review of the involved species. The criteria considered in determining whether or not a petition is substantial are outlined in 50 CFR 424.14(b)(2).

The petitioner argued that Snake River sockeye salmon no longer exist, and therefore, no longer need protection. However, the petitioner presented data from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense, that indicated that 11 adult sockeye salmon were counted at three Snake River Dams (Lower Monumental Dam, Little Goose Dam, and Lower Granite Dam, ID) in 1994. This information is neither new nor substantial; NMFS records show that large sockeye salmon (approximately 18 inches (45.7 cm) in length or greater) were counted at these dams on the dates indicated in the petition. During the past 3 years, these dam counts, coupled with the actual return of 10 adult sockeye salmon to Redfish Lake, ID, provide evidence that Snake River sockeye salmon are, in fact, not extinct.

Because the petition to delist Snake River sockeye salmon does not contain any new, substantial scientific or commercial information indicating that the petitioned action may be warranted, NMFS is not initiating a status review.

Dated: May 4, 1995.

Gary Matlock,

Program Management Officer, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Northeast Fishing Industry Grants (FIG) Program; Amendment and Clarification

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

ACTION: Notice of funding authorization amendment and clarification of project evaluation criteria.

SUMMARY: NMFS amends the funding authorization for projects to be considered under the Northeast Fishing

Industry Grants (FIG) Program. Clarification is also provided to specify project evaluation criteria associated with the tendering of multispecies harvesting privileges.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 11, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bruce Morehead (301) 713-2358 or Harold Mears (508) 281-9243.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The FIG Program was described in the following notice: Notice of availability of Federal assistance (60 FR 12199, March 6, 1995).

II. Change to the FIG Funding Authorization

The previous description of funding authority for the second round of FIG project applications, through which \$4.5 million will be provided, indicated that the total funding source was accommodated by Public Law 103-211, the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act of 1994. This notice clarifies that only \$2.5 million for the FIG second round is funded through Public Law 103-211, whereas the remaining \$2.0 million is supported by the Northwest Atlantic Ocean Fisheries Reinvestment Program (NAOFRP), as authorized by Public Law 102-567. This change is being made so that \$2.0 million available under Public Law 103-211 can be used to fund a fishing capacity reduction demonstration program in the Northeast. Information concerning this program will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date. The total amount of funds available for the FIG Program (i.e., \$4.5 million) is not changed. However, no NAOFRP funds will be used to support projects under FIG Program Priority C; "Develop methods for eliminating or reducing the inadvertent take, capture, or destruction of nontargeted, protected, or prohibited species (e.g., juvenile or sublegal-sized fish and shellfish) in fishing operations through the technical development, demonstration, or evaluation of fishing gear or harvesting strategies.", as such activities are not authorized for the NAOFRP under Public Law 102-567. This change in funding source does not otherwise affect the FIG Federal assistance program.

III. Clarification of Project Evaluation Criteria

Several public inquiries have arisen that show the need for clarification of the provisions for tendering of multispecies harvesting privileges and the relevance of these provisions to the technical evaluation of proposals.

Accordingly, this notice clarifies that 10 points will be added to the technical scores of applications involving participation by individuals who own vessels that have been issued a multispecies limited access permit, and who agree to tender their privilege to fish for, possess, or land regulated multispecies finfish for the duration of the project or longer. This provision applies to limited access multispecies permit holders only, because the intent of providing this bonus is to encourage the reduction of effort in the multispecies fishery to the maximum extent possible. Applications requesting this consideration must include information, attached to the Project Summary (NOAA Form 88-204), which explains how effort would be reduced during the project period, as compared to recent fishing years. This description may include details, such as the number of days at sea (DAS) directed on regulated multispecies that would be foregone during the permit year(s) in which the harvesting privilege is tendered, to substantiate the associated impact.

The tendering of the privilege to fish for, possess, or land regulated multispecies finfish during the duration of the project, if applicable, will be formally incorporated as a Special Award Condition in approved grants. However, this tendering of the privilege to fish for, possess, or land regulated multispecies finfish during the duration of the project period does not relieve the permit holder from fulfilling other requirements for limited access multispecies permit holders, such as filing monthly reports under the mandatory reporting provisions of the multispecies regulations.

Finally, several questions have been raised relative to the potential impact of tendering the privilege to fish for, possess, or land regulated multispecies for the duration of the project, or longer, upon resource allocation decisions associated with future regulatory requirements of the Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP). Since future FMP regulations are uncertain, this impact is unknown, and the tendering of the privilege to fish for, possess, or land regulated multispecies must be assumed as a risk of the involved vessel owners.

Potential applicants for financial assistance under the FIG solicitation are reminded that the tendering provision is a voluntary one, and not a prerequisite for an application to be considered for funding.

Classification

This action amends funding authority and clarifies project evaluation criteria for a financial assistance program that will contain collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The collection of this information has been approved by OMB under Control Number 0648-0135.

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

Authority: 15 U.S.C. 713c-3(d).

Dated: May 5, 1995.

Gary Matlock,

Program Management Officer, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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[I.D. 050195C]**Marine Mammals and Endangered Species; Permits**

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

ACTION: Receipt of application for a scientific research permit (P771#73).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Marine Mammal Laboratory, has applied in due form for a permit to take the marine mammals listed below for the purpose of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 12, 1995.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

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

Director, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Bldg 1, Seattle, WA 99115-0070 (206/526-6150);

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Chief, Permits Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, Silver Spring, MD 20910, within 30 days of the publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gary Barone, (301/713-2289).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the

Secretary of Commerce is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The applicant seeks authorization to satellite tag 75 harbor porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*) in the wild, and up to 25 captive rehabilitated animals including harbor porpoise, Dall's porpoise (*Phocoenoides dalli*) and Pacific white-sided dolphins (*Lagenorhynchus obliquidens*). The applicant seeks authorization to take by harassment up to 750 harbor porpoise incidental to the tagging. The work will be conducted over a 5-year period. Proposed taking will be by small boat. Field work will start in July, 1995 and continue through October, 1999 in Washington and Oregon. The results of the research will provide information on stock boundaries.

Dated: May 5, 1995.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits & Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Defense Intelligence Agency Joint Military Intelligence College; Notice of Closed Meeting**

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of Subsection (d) of Section 10 of Public Law 92-463, as amended by Section 5 of Public Law 94-409, notice is hereby given that a closed meeting of the DIA Joint Military Intelligence College Board of Visitors has been scheduled as follows:

DATES: Thursday, 27 July 1995, 0915 to 1630; and Friday, 28 July 1995, 0900 to 1130.

ADDRESSES: The DIAC, Washington, DC.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. A. Denis Clift, President, DIA Joint Military Intelligence College, Washington, DC 20340-5100 (202/373-3344).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The entire meeting is devoted to the discussion of classified information as defined in Section 552b(c)(1), Title 5 of the U.S. Code and therefore will be closed. The Board will discuss several current

critical intelligence issues and advise the Director, DIA, as to the successful accomplishment of the mission assigned to the Joint Military Intelligence College.

Dated: May 5, 1995.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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Defense Partnership Council Meeting

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) announces a meeting of the Defense Partnership Council. Notice of this meeting is required under the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This meeting is open to the public. The topics to be covered are DoD Civilian Personnel Regionalization, partnership successes within DoD and action items related to the Defense Partnership Council Plan of Action.

DATES: The meeting is to be held Wednesday, June 7, 1995, in room 1E801, Conference Room 7, the Pentagon, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Comments should be received by June 2, 1995, in order to be considered at the June 7 meeting.

ADDRESSES: We invite interested persons and organizations to submit written comments or recommendations. Mail or deliver your comments or recommendations to Mr. Kenneth Oprisko at the address shown below. Seating is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis. Individuals wishing to attend who do not possess an appropriate Pentagon building pass should call the below listed telephone number to obtain instructions for entry into the Pentagon. Handicapped individuals wishing to attend should also call the below listed telephone number to obtain appropriate accommodations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mr. Kenneth Oprisko, Chief, Labor Relations Branch, Field Advisory Services Division, Defense Civilian Personnel Management Service, 1400 Key Blvd, Suite B-200, Arlington, VA 22209-5144, (703) 696-6301, ext. 704.

Dated: May 5, 1995.

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