

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, NOAA, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310-980-4016).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Ms. Petrusso and CCWD request permits under the authority of 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).

Ms. Petrusso, a graduate assistant of Michigan State University (P605), requests a 2-year permit to determine the physical condition of juvenile chinook salmon rearing in mainstem habitats between Keswick Dam and Red Bluff on the Sacramento River. Listed juvenile salmon will be captured and handled indirectly during run-of-the-river sampling activities. Any adipose fin-clipped juveniles collected, including juvenile, listed, hatchery-produced, winter-run chinook salmon, will be sacrificed and provided to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at Red Bluff, CA for coded-wire tag extraction. The proposed project will contribute to BOR's efforts to reduce migration impediments to the four runs of Sacramento River chinook salmon by providing baseline data for interpretation of the results of entrainment studies. In addition, the study will advance the understanding of the early life history and ecology of young chinook salmon in the upper Sacramento River.

CCWD (P606) requests a 5-year permit to monitor its Mallard Slough pumping facility for the presence of listed juvenile salmon in compliance with the California ESA requirements imposed by the California Department of Fish and Game. Listed juvenile salmon may be captured and handled during bimonthly sampling from February 15 to July 31 each year within the Mallard Slough intake channel and in the adjacent San Joaquin River channel. Any adipose fin-clipped juveniles collected, including juvenile, listed, hatchery-produced, winter-run chinook salmon, will be sacrificed and provided to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at Stockton, CA for coded-wire tag extraction. Sampling will not occur if Delta water quality conditions do not allow the operation of the Mallard Slough facility. The monitoring results will indicate the relative abundance of sensitive fish species and allow CCWD to modify operation of the Mallard

Slough facility as necessary to minimize potential entrainment losses.

Those individuals requesting a hearing (see **ADDRESSES**) should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on either 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 these application summaries are those of the applicants and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: February 16, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

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

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Marine Mammals

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

ACTION: Issuance of modification to permit no. 854 (P211F).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Permit No. 854, issued to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Marine Science Drive, Bldg. 3, Newport, OR 97365, has been modified.

ADDRESSES: The modification and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s): Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130 Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/712-2289);

Director, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070 (206/526-6150);

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 W. Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4015); and

Director, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the provisions of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and

exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR part 222).

Permit No. 854 authorizes scientific research on Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*) over a 5-year period.

The Permit, as modified, reduces the number of Steller sea lion pups to be weighed, measured, marked, flipper tagged, hot-branded, and have blood drawn from 200 to 100 annually, and authorizes 100 Steller sea lions of any sex or age to be weighed, measured, marked, flipper tagged, hot-branded, and have blood drawn annually.

Issuance of this modified permit as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the Endangered Species Act.

Dated: February 14, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

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

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List Additions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Additions to the procurement list.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 25, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Square 3, Suite 403, 1735 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3461.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 20 and December 29, 1995, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (60 F.R. 54612 and 67351) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of