

of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Copies of specific information collection requirements, related forms and explanatory material may be obtained by contacting the Service Information Collection Clearance officer at the address and/or phone numbers listed below.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before March 30, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and suggestions on specific requirements should be sent to the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222 ARLSQ, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Stephen R. Vehrs, Refuge Program Specialist, Division of Refuges, 703/358-2397.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Service proposes to submit the following information collection clearance requirements to OMB for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The issuance of a Permit by the Fish and Wildlife Service for access to units of the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act (16 U.S.C. 668dd-668ee *et seq.*) as amended; the Refuge Recreation Act (16 U.S.C. 460K-3); the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105-57); and as implemented by regulations in 50 CFR 25-38.

The information requested prior to issuing the Permit is required to obtain a benefit, and will assist the Service in administering System programs in accordance with the above statutory authorities. The Improvement Act requires that a wildlife dependent recreational use or any other uses of a refuge that, in the sound professional judgment of the Director, will not materially interfere with or detract from the fulfillment of the mission of the System or the purposes for which the refuge was established. The information

is needed by the Service to make this determination before a permit can be issued.

The permit is required for any person entering a national wildlife refuge, unless otherwise provided under the provisions of 50 CFR, subchapter C. The permittee must abide by all the terms and conditions set forth in the permit.

Information collected in submitting an application for a permit, prior to issuing a permit, may be used to evaluate and conclude the eligibility of, or merely document, permit applicants. The Service will require the use of permits as a condition in new and revised regulations pursuant to the Refuge Improvement Act.

The Service will provide Special Use Permit forms as requested by interested citizens. The required written forms and/or verbal application information will be used by the Service to ensure that the applicant is eligible to receive a Permit.

**Title:** United States Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, Special Use Permit.

**Bureau form number:** 3-1383.

**Frequency of collection:** On occasion.

**Description of respondents:** Individuals or households; State, local, or Tribal governments; businesses or other for profit and not-for-profit institutions.

**Number of respondents:** 10,000.

**Estimated completion time:** The reporting burden for FWS Form 3-1383 (Special Use Permit) is estimated to be 30 minutes.

**Burden estimate:** 5,000 hours.

Dated: January 15, 1998.

**Carolyn A. Bohan,**

*Acting Assistant Director for Refuges and Wildlife.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of application.

The following applicant has applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

#### PRT-697830

**Applicant:** Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3,

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Fort Snelling, Minnesota.

The applicant requests to renew and amend his current permit to take the following species for scientific purposes and the enhancement of propagation or survival of the species in the wild in accordance with listing, recovery outlines, recovery plans, and/or other Service work for those species:

#### Mammals

bat, gray (*Myotis grisescens*)  
bat, Indiana (*Myotis sodalis*)  
bat, Ozark big-eared (*Plecotus townsendii ingens*)  
wolf (*Canis lupus*)

#### Birds

eagle, bald (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*)  
falcon, peregrine (*Falco peregrinus*)  
plover, piping (*Charadrius melodus*)  
tern, least tern (*Sterna antillarum*)  
warbler, Kirtland's (wood) (*Dendroica kirtlandii*)

#### Reptiles

snake, copperbelly water (northern population) (*Nerodia erythrogaster neglecta*)

#### Fish

cavefish, Ozark (*Amblyopsis rosae*)  
darter, Niangua (*Etheostoma nianguae*)  
madtom, Scioto (*Noturus trautmani*)  
madtom, Neosho (*Noturus placidus*)  
sturgeon, pallid (*Scaphirhynchus albus*)

#### Clams

clubshell (*Pleurobema clava*)  
fanshell [*Cyprogenia stegaria* (=irrorata)]  
mussel, ring pink (=golf stick pearly) (*Obovaria retusa*)  
mussel, winged mapleleaf (*Quadrula fragosa*)  
pearlymussel, cracking [*Hemistena* (=Lastena) lata]  
pearlymussel, Curtis' [*Epioblasma* (=Dysnomia) florentina curtisi]  
pearlymussel, Higgins' eye (*Lampsilis higginsii*)  
pearlymussel, orange-foot pimple back (*Plethobasus cooperianus*)  
pearlymussel, pink mucket [*Lampsilis* (=abrupta) orbiculata]  
pearlymussel, purple cat's paw pearly mussel [*Epioblasma* (=Dysnomia) obliquata obliquata (=sulcata sulcata)]  
pearlymussel, tubercled-blossom [*Epioblasma* (=Dysnomia) torulosa torulosa]  
pearlymussel, turgid-blossom [*Epioblasma* (=Dysnomia) turgidula]  
pearlymussel, white cat's paw [*Epioblasma* (=Dysnomia) obliquata perobliqua]  
pearlymussel, white wartyback (*Plethobasus cicatricosus*)

pigtoe, rough (*Pleurobema plenum*)  
pocketbook, fat [*Potamilus (=Proptera)*  
*capax*]  
riffleshell, northern (*Epioblasma*  
*torulosa rangiana*)

#### Snails

snail, Iowa Pleistocene (*Discus*  
*macclintocki*)

#### Insects

beetle, American burying (=giant  
carrion) (*Nicrophorus americanus*)  
beetle, Hungerford's crawling water  
(*Brychius hungerfordi*)  
butterfly, Karner blue (*Lycaeides*  
*melissa samuelis*)  
butterfly, Mitchell's satyr (*Neonympha*  
*mitchellii mitchellii*)  
dragonfly, Hine's (=Ohio) emerald  
(*Somatochlora hineana*)

#### Plants

*Aconitum noveboracense* (northern wild  
monkshood)  
*Apios priceana* (Price's potato-bean)  
*Asclepias meadii* (Mead's milkweed)  
*Asplenium (=Phyllitis) scolopendrium*  
(=japonica) var. *americanum*  
(American hart's-tongue fern)  
*Boltonia decurrens* (decurrent false  
aster)  
*Cirsium pitcheri* (Pitcher's thistle)  
*Dalea foliosa (=Petalostemum f.)* (leafy  
prairie-clover)  
*Erythronium propullans* (Minnesota  
dwarf trout lily)  
*Geocarpon minimum* (no common  
name)  
*Hymenoxys herbacea (=acaulis var.*  
*glabra)* (lakeside daisy)  
*Iris lacustris* (dwarf lake iris)  
*Isotria medeoloides* (small whorled  
pogonia)  
*Lespedeza leptostachya* (prairie bush-  
clover)  
*Lesquerella filiformis* (Missouri bladder-  
pod)  
*Lindera melissifolia* (pondberry)  
*Mimulus glabratus* var. *michiganensis*  
(Michigan monkey-flower)  
*Oxytropis campestris* var. *chartacea*  
(Fassett's locoweed)  
*Platanthera leucophaea* (eastern prairie  
fringed orchid)  
*Platanthera praeclara* (western prairie  
fringed orchid)  
*Sedum integrifolium* ssp. *leedyi* (Leedy's  
roseroot)  
*Solidago houghtonii* (Houghton's  
goldenrod)  
*Spiraea virginiana* (Virginia spiraea)  
*Trifolium stoloniferum* (running buffalo  
clover)

Written data or comments should be  
submitted to the Regional Director, U.S.  
Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological  
Services Operations, 1 Federal Drive,  
Fort Snelling, Minnesota 55111-4056,

and must be received within 30 days of  
the date of this publication.

Documents and other information  
submitted with these applications are  
available for review by any party who  
submits a written request for a copy of  
such documents to the following office  
within 30 days of the date of publication  
of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife  
Service, Ecological Services Operations,  
1 Federal Drive, Fort Snelling,  
Minnesota 55111-4056. Telephone:  
(612/725-3536 x224); FAX: (612/725-  
3526).

Dated: January 20, 1998.

#### Matthias A. Kerschbaum,

Acting Assistant Regional Director, IL, IN,  
MO (Ecological Services), Region 3, Fort  
Snelling, Minnesota.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit  
applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have  
applied for a scientific research permit  
to conduct certain activities with  
endangered species pursuant to section  
10 (a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species  
Act of 1973, as amended (16 USC 1531  
et seq.).

#### Permit No. 837580

Applicant: Robert Weppeler, Riverside,  
California.

The applicant requests a permit to  
take (harass by survey) the Delhi Sands  
flower-loving fly (*Rhaphiomidas*  
*terminatus abdominalis*) in southern  
California in conjunction with presence  
or absence surveys for the purpose of  
enhancing its survival.

#### Permit No. 799486

Applicant: Jan Randall, San  
Francisco, California.

The applicant requests an amendment  
of her permit to take (capture and  
remove eight individuals from the wild)  
the giant kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys*  
*ingens*) in conjunction with scientific  
research in Merced, Fresno, Monterey,  
San Luis Obispo, Kings, Kern, and Santa  
Barbara Counties, California, for the  
purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No.'s: 838028, 785138, 832945,  
810768, 837301, 781217, 797999

Applicants: Michael G. Van Hattem,  
San Juan Capistrano, California; David

Levine, Laguna Beach, California; Lisa  
M. Kegarice, San Bernardino, California;  
Harmsworth Associates, Dove Canyon,  
California; Jeffrey L. Lincer, Poway,  
California; Chambers Group, Inc., Irvine,  
California; Merkel and Associates, San  
Diego, California.

These applicants request a permit or  
a permit amendment to take (harass by  
survey) the Quino checkerspot butterfly  
(*Euphydryas editha quino*) in  
conjunction with presence or absence  
surveys throughout the species range in  
California, for the purpose of enhancing  
its survival.

#### Permit No. 781384

Applicant: Thomas A. Leslie,  
Wildomar, California.

The applicant requests an amendment  
to his permit to take (harass by survey)  
the Quino checkerspot butterfly  
(*Euphydryas editha quino*) in  
conjunction with presence or absence  
surveys and ecological research  
throughout the species range in  
California, for the purpose of enhancing  
its survival.

#### Permit No. 814215

Applicant: Claude Edwards, San  
Diego, California.

The applicant requests an amendment  
to his permit to take (harass by survey)  
the Quino checkerspot butterfly  
(*Euphydryas editha quino*) in  
conjunction with presence or absence  
surveys and observational studies  
throughout the species range in  
California, for the purpose of enhancing  
its survival.

#### Permit No. 821229

Applicant: David G. Crawford, Agoura  
Hills, California.

The applicant requests an amendment  
to his permit to take (harass by survey)  
the Delhi-Sands flower loving fly  
(*Rhaphiomidas terminatus abdominalis*)  
in Riverside and San Bernardino  
Counties, California, and take (harass by  
survey) the tidewater goby (*Eucyclobius*  
*newberryi*) throughout its range in  
California in conjunction with presence  
or absence surveys, for the purpose of  
enhancing their survival.

#### Permit No. 838015

Applicant: Stephan Henry Sprague,  
Anaheim, California.

The applicant requests a permit to  
take (harass by survey) the Delhi-Sands  
flower loving fly (*Rhaphiomidas*  
*terminatus abdominalis*), Quino  
checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas*  
*editha quino*), and the coastal California  
gnatcatcher (*Poliophtila californica*  
*californica*) in conjunction with  
presence or absence surveys throughout