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**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

**ACTION:** Notice of Receipt of Applications.

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

#### Permit No. TE—798107

Applicant: SWCA, Inc., Tucson, Arizona

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for Yaqui topminnow (*Poeciliopsis occidentalis sonoriensis*) within Arizona.

#### Permit No. TE—009543

Applicant: Mary E. Richardson, Mesa Arizona

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for the cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*) on Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument, Arizona.

#### Permit No. TE—009926-0

Applicant: Gulf South Research Corporation, Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for interior least tern (*Sterna antillarum athalassos*) along the Red River in Texas and Oklahoma.

#### Permit No. TE—009900-0

Applicant: Biozone, Inc., Prescott, Arizona

Applicant request authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in various counties in Arizona and New Mexico.

#### Permit No. TE—0005923-0

Applicant: National Park Service, Saguaro National Park, Tucson, Arizona

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for cactus ferruginous pygmy-owls (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*) within lands administered by the National Park Service, Saguaro National Park.

#### Permit No. TE—10037-0

Applicant: Colorado River Indian Tribes, Parker, Arizona

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) and Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*) in Arizona and California.

#### Permit No. TE—10440-0

Applicant: David N. Stokely, Billings, Missouri

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for the American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) in northeastern Oklahoma.

#### Permit No. TE—006141-1

Applicant: Bruce D. Wilcox, Phoenix, Arizona

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for the golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*) and black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*) in Texas and Oklahoma.

#### Permit No. TE—010441

Applicant: Jones & Stokes Associates, Inc., Phoenix, Arizona

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*), cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*), southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), and northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) in California, Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas.

#### Permit No. TE—828642

Applicant: Darling Environmental & Surveying, Ltd., Tucson, Arizona

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for Gila topminnow (including Yaqui) (*Poeciliopsis occidentalis*) in various counties in Arizona.

#### Permit No. TE—800900

Applicant: Lower Colorado River Authority, Austin, Texas

Applicant requests authority to conduct presence/absence surveys for black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*), golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*), Houston toad (*Bufo houstonensis*), and fountain darter (*Etheostoma fonticola*) on Lower Colorado River counties within Texas.

#### Permit No. TE—820022

Applicant: PBS&J, Austin, Texas

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for the Concho water snake (*Nerodia harteri paucimaculata*) and fountain darter (*Etheostoma fonticola*) in Concho and Comal Counties, Texas.

#### Permit No. TE—010472-0

Applicant: Geo-Marine, Inc., Plano, Texas

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys for the northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*), peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus anatum/tundrius*), Sneed pincushion cactus (*Coryphantha sneedii sneedii*) in southeastern New Mexico and west Texas.

**DATES:** Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before May 21, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the Legal Instruments Examiner, Division of Endangered Species/Permits, Ecological Services, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103.

Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, Division of Endangered Species/Permits, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents. Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30

days of the date of publication of this notice, to the address above.

**Bryan Arroyo,**

*Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**United States Geological Survey**

**Prospective Grant of Exclusive Patent License**

This is notice in accordance with 35 U.S.C. 209(c)(1) and 37 CFR 404.7(a)(1)(i) that the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), U.S. Department of the Interior, is contemplating the grant of an exclusive license in the United States to practice the invention embodied in U.S. Patent Application Serial Number 9-015,214 entitled "Automated Groundwater Monitoring System and Method," to Systems Management, Inc. of Hunt Valley, MD 21031.

The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within 60 days from the grant of this published notice, USGS receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of a license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

The present invention is a method of monitoring the quality of water at a ground water sampling site without human intervention. Waste at the sampling site is purged until at least one preselected purge criterion is satisfied. At least one water quality attribute is automatically measured at the sampling site, and quality of water at the site is determined based on the measured water quality attribute. The method is performed by a system including a control unit which, in accordance with a computer program, controls the taking of water quality attribute measurements at the sampling site. The control unit may be equipped with a port for downloading data to a technician on site and with a transceiver for communicating data to a base station via a communications network.

The availability of the invention for licensing has been announced on the USGS' website ([www.usgs.gov/tech-transfer](http://www.usgs.gov/tech-transfer)), on an inventor's website (<http://ma.water.usgs.gov/automo/>), and at industry exhibits appearing more than a year ago.

A copy of the cited patent application is available, for those with a licensing interest, from the USGS Technology Enterprise Office. It may be requested by phone at (703) 648-4450 or by e-mail at [rgraves@usgs.gov](mailto:rgraves@usgs.gov).

Inquiries, comments and other materials relating to the contemplated license must be submitted by regular mail to Neil L. Mark, Technology Enterprise Office, U.S. Geological Survey, 211 National Center, Reston, VA 20192 or by email at [nmark@usgs.gov](mailto:nmark@usgs.gov).

Properly filed competing applications received by the USGS in response to this notice will be treated as objections to the grant of the contemplated license.

**Anton L. Inderbitzen,**

*Director, Technology Enterprise Office.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[ID-065-1220-00]

**Notice of Closure and Restriction Order for BLM Lands in Fiddle Creek Area, Order No. ID-060-14; Correction**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Upper Columbia-Salmon Clearwater Districts, Idaho; DOI.

**ACTION:** Correction.

**SUMMARY:** In notice document 99-8956 on page 17676 in the FR issue of Monday, April 12, 1999, make the following correction:

Under item (2) of the Summary add: (3) Area is closed to all use from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Dated: April 13, 1999.

**Ted Graf,**

*Acting District Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[(NM-930-1310-01); (NMNM 96062)]

**New Mexico: Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease**

Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease NMNM 96062 for lands in Lea County, New Mexico, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing from December 1, 1998, the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has

agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre or fraction thereof and 16-2/3 percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500 administrative fee and has reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice.

The Lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Sections 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 USC 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease effective December 1, 1998, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lourdes B. Ortiz, Bureau of Land Management, New Mexico State Office, (505) 438-7586.

Dated: April 13, 1999.

**Lourdes B. Ortiz,**

*Land Law Examiner.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**National Park Service**

**Cape Cod National Seashore; South Wellfleet, MA; Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission; Notice of Meeting**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, 5 U.S.C. App 1, section 10), that a meeting of the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission will be held on Friday, April 30, 1999.

The Commission was reestablished pursuant to Public Law 87-126 as amended by Public Law 105-280. The purpose of the Commission is to consult with the Secretary of the Interior, or his designee, with respect to matters relating to the development of the Cape Cod National Seashore, and with respect to carrying out the provisions of sections 4 and 5 of the Act establishing the Seashore.

The Commission members will meet at 1:00 p.m. at Headquarters, Marconi Station, Wellfleet, Massachusetts for the regular business meeting to discuss the following:

1. Adoption of Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting 03/24/99
3. Report of Officers
4. Report of Nickerson Subcommittee
5. Superintendent's Report  
Highlands Center trip report