

**Marine Mammals**

The public is invited to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

*Applicant:* Bryce W. Smith, Bay City, OR, PRT-036348

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population in Canada for personal use.

*Applicant:* J. Herbert Fisher, Jr., Lancaster, PA, PRT-032816

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the, M'Clintock Channel polar bear population, Canada, for personal use. On September 19, 2000 (65 FR 56588), the permit request was mistakenly published as a sport-hunted bear from the Lancaster Sound population.

*Applicant:* Nathan P. Newbern, Ft. Worth, TX, PRT-035772

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Canada, for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of any of these complete applications, or requests for a public hearing on this application should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife has information collection approval from OMB through February 28, 2001. OMB Control Number 1018-0093. Federal Agencies may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a current valid OMB control number.

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 to the following office within 30 days of the

date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: December 1, 2000.

**Charlie R. Chandler,**

*Chief, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals**

On September 21, 2000, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 64, No. 184, Page 57205, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Larry Martin for a permit (PRT-032405) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the M'Clintock Channel population, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on November 14, 2000, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On October 4, 2000, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 65, No. 193, Page 59197, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Chicago Zoological Society, Brookfield, IL, for a permit (PRT-032510) to import one captive born polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) from the Jardin Zoo, Quebec, Canada for the purposes of public display and conservation education.

Notice is hereby given that on November 24, 2000, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

Documents and other information submitted for these applications are available for review by any party who submits a written request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Rm. 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone (703) 358-2104 or Fax (703) 358-2281.

Dated: December 1, 2000.

**Charlie R. Chandler,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Great Lakes Panel Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces meeting of the Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) Task Force Great Lakes Panel. The meeting topics are identified in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The Great Lakes Panel will meet from 1 pm to 5 pm on Tuesday, December 12, 2000, and 8 am to 12 noon on Wednesday, December 3, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The Great Lakes Panel meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, North Campus, 3600 Plymouth Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 48105.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Kathe Glassner-Shwayder, Project Manager, Great Lakes Commission, at 734-665-9135 or Sharon Gross, Executive Secretary, Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force at 703-358-2308 or by e-mail at: sharon\_gross@fws.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. I), this notice announces meetings of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Great Lakes Panel. The Task Force was established by the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act of 1990.

The Great Lakes Panel, comprised of representatives from Federal, State, and local agencies and from private environmental and commercial interests, provides the following:

- (a) Identify priorities for the Great Lakes Region with respect to aquatic nuisance species;
- (b) Make recommendations to the Task Force regarding programs to carry out zebra mussel programs;
- (c) Assist the Task Force in coordinating Federal aquatic nuisance species program activities in the Great Lakes region;
- (d) Coordinate, where possible, aquatic nuisance species program activities in the Great Lakes region that are not conducted pursuant to the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance