

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality****Notice of Meetings**

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act as amended (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2), The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) announces meetings of scientific peer review groups. The subcommittees listed below are part of the Agency's Health Services research Initial Review Group Committee.

The subcommittee meetings will be closed to the public in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, section 10(d) of 5 U.S.C., appendix 2 and 5 U.S.C., 552b(c)(6). Grant applications are to be reviewed and discussed at these meetings. These discussions are likely to reveal personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications. This information is exempt from mandatory disclosure under the above-cited statutes.

1. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Research Training.

Date: January 25–26, 2001 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).

Place: AHRQ, Executive Office Center, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

2. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Quality and Effectiveness Research.

Date: February 22–23, 2001 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).

Place: AHRQ, Executive Office Center, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

3. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health Care Technology and Decision Sciences.

Date: March 1–2, 2001 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).

Place: AHRQ, Executive Office Center, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

4. *Name of Subcommittee:* Health System Research.

Date: March 5–6, 2001 (Open from 8 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. and closed for remainder of the meeting).

Place: AHRQ, Executive Office Center, 6010 Executive Boulevard, 4th Floor Conference Center, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

Contact Person: Anyone wishing to obtain a roster of members or minutes of the meetings should contact Ms. Jenny Griffith, Committee Management Officer, Office of Research Review, Education and Policy, AHRQ, 2101 East Jefferson Street, Suite 400,

Rockville, Maryland 20852, Telephone (301) 594-1847.

Agenda items for these meetings are subject to change as priorities dictate.

Dated: December 15, 2000.

John M. Eisenberg,

Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service****Letters of Authorization To Take Marine Mammals**

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of a Letter of Authorization to take marine mammals incidental to oil and gas industry activities.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 101(a)(5)(A) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service implementing regulations [50 CFR 18.27(f)(3)], notice is hereby given that a Letter of Authorization to take polar bears incidental to a specific oil and gas industry exploration activity has been issued to the following companies:

Company, Activity, Site, and Date Issued

Phillips Alaska, Inc., Exploration, Nanuq #3, November 16, 2000
BP Exploration (Alaska), Exploration, NPR-A, November 22, 2000
Phillips Alaska, Inc., Exploration, Hunter #1, November 29, 2000
Phillips Alaska, Inc., Exploration, Outlook #1, November 29, 2000
Phillips Alaska, Inc., Exploration, Oxbow #1, November 29, 2000
Phillips Alaska, Inc., Exploration, Rendezvous, November 29, 2000
Phillips Alaska, Inc., Exploration, Spark, November 29, 2000
Phillips Alaska, Inc., Exploration, Sunrise, November 29, 2000

CONTACT: Mr. John W. Bridges at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Marine Mammals Management Office, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503, (800) 362-5148 or (907) 786-3810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Letters of Authorization were issued in accordance with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Federal Rules and Regulations "Marine Mammals; Incidental Take During Specified Activities (65 FR 16828; March 30, 2000)."

Dated: December 11, 2000.

David B. Allen,

Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Seasonal Closure of the CCC Road; (Numbered 41-14E-11) Klamath County, OR

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of the seasonal closure of the CCC Road at the Barnes Valley creek crossing in Klamath County, Oregon.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that during the winter and spring high water periods, the CCC road (Numbered 41-14E-11) on the east side of Gerber Reservoir in Klamath County, Oregon will be closed to through traffic at the CCC road's junction with the north and south rims of the Barnes Valley Creek canyon. The road will be closed by the Authorized Officer when water levels in Barnes Valley Creek make the CCC road's low water crossing at Barnes Valley Creek unsafe to use by the public. Gates have been installed at the CCC road junction with the north and south rims of the Barnes Valley Creek canyon. The closure is made under the authority of 43 CFR 8364.1.

The following persons, operating within the scope of their official duties, are exempt from the provisions of this closure order: Bureau employees; state, local, and Federal law enforcement and fire protection personnel. Access by additional parties may be allowed, but must be approved in advance in writing by the Authorized Officer.

Any person who fails to comply with the provisions of this closure order may be subject to the penalties provided in 43 CFR 8360.0-7, which include a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and/or imprisonment not to exceed 12 months, as well as the penalties provided under Oregon State law.

The road temporarily closed to through traffic under this order will be posted with signs at points of public road access.

The purpose of this emergency temporary closure is to protect persons from potential harm due to high water flows and flood conditions in Barnes Valley Creek. The road will be opened by the Authorized Officer when water levels in Barnes Valley Creek make the CCC road safe to use by the public.