

proposers for those projects recommended for support, and negotiate revisions in the proposed work and budget. Final awards will be issued by the agency responsible for a specific project after receipt and processing of any specific materials required by the agency.

(14) *Other requirements:* For a complete description of other requirements, see COP's General Grant Administration Terms and Conditions annual Document in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 62706, October 19, 2000) and at the COP home page. NOAA has specific requirements that environmental data be submitted to the National Oceanographic Data Center.

(15) Pursuant to Executive Orders 12876, 12900 and 13021, the Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (DOC/NOAA) is strongly committed to broadening the participation of Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Hispanic Serving Institutions and Tribal Colleges and Universities in its educational and research programs. The DOC/NOAA vision, mission and goals are to achieve full participation by Minority Serving Institutions (MSI) in order to advance the development of human potential, to strengthen the nation's capacity to provide high-quality education, and to increase opportunities for MSIs to participate in, and benefit from, Federal Financial Assistance programs. DOC/NOAA encourages all applicants to include meaningful participation of MSIs.

(16) Applicants are hereby notified that they are encouraged, to the greatest practicable extent, to purchase American-made equipment and products with funding provided under this program.

(17) *Intergovernmental review:* Applications under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

(18) This notification involves collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, and SF-LLL have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040 and 0348-0046.

The following requirements have been approved by OMB under control number 0648-0384; a Summary Proposal Budget Form (30 minutes per response), a Project Summary Form (30 minutes per response), a standardized format for the Annual Performance Report (5 hours per response), a standardized format for

the Final Report (10 hours per response), and the submission of up to 20 copies of proposals (10 minutes per response). The response estimates include the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to Leslie.McDonald@noaa.gov. Copies of these forms and formats can be found on the COP home page under Grants Support sections, Parts D and F.

Proposals to NSF must include the NSF Form 1239 for Current and Pending Support. The NSF Form 1239 for Current and Pending Support is also cleared as part of the NSF Grant Proposal Guide and Proposal Forms Kit under OMB Number 3145-0058 with an expiration date of June 2002.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

February 9, 2001.

**Donald Heinrichs,**

*Interim Director, Division of Ocean Sciences, National Science Foundation.*

Dated: February 13, 2001.

**Ted I. Lillestolen,**

*Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Endangered Species; Permits

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of an application for a scientific research/enhancement permit (1300).

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the following actions regarding permits for takes of endangered and threatened species for the purposes of scientific research and/or enhancement under the

Endangered Species Act (ESA): NMFS has received an application for an ESA section 10 (a)(1)(A) scientific research/enhancement permit (1300) from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery Complex at Leavenworth, WA.

**DATES:** Comments or requests for a public hearing on any of the new applications or modification requests must be received at the appropriate address or fax number no later than 5 p.m. eastern standard time on April 19, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on any of the new applications or modification requests should be sent to the appropriate office as indicated below. Comments may also be sent via fax to the number indicated for the application or modification request. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the Internet. The applications and related documents are available for review in the indicated office, by appointment:

Sustainable Fisheries Division, Hatcheries and Inland Fisheries Branch, NWR2, 525 N.E. Oregon Street, Suite 510, Portland, OR 97232.

Documents may also be reviewed by appointment in the Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (phone:301-713-1401).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Richard Turner, Portland, OR at phone number: (503) 736-4737, fax: (503) 736-2737, or e-mail: [Rich.Turner@noaa.gov](mailto:Rich.Turner@noaa.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority**

Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) (ESA), is based on a finding that such permits/modifications: (1) are applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the subject of the permits; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Scientific research and/or enhancement permits are issued under Section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits and modifications are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Those individuals requesting a hearing on an application listed in this notice should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see

**ADDRESSES).** The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the permit action summaries are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

### Species Covered in This Notice

The following species and evolutionarily significant units (ESU's) are covered in this notice:

#### Fish

Chinook salmon (*O. tshawytscha*): endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, Upper Columbia River (UCR) spring chinook.

Steelhead (*O. mykiss*): endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, UCR steelhead.

### New Applications Received

#### Application 1300

USFWS requests a 5-year ESA section 10(a)(1)(A) scientific research/enhancement permit (1300) that would authorize annual takes of adult and juvenile, listed UCR spring chinook salmon for use in a hatchery supplementation program designed to help conserve the species. The program is located at Winthrop National Fish Hatchery (NFH), at river kilometer 72 of the Methow River in Washington.

The primary goal of USFWS' proposed supplementation program is to used locally adapted spring chinook salmon to help forestall the extinction of spring chinook salmon populations in the Methow River Basin. The specific objectives of USFWS program are to: (1) phase-out the use of transplanted Carson stock spring chinook salmon at Winthrop NFH, (2) maintain and restore natural spawning populations of spring chinook salmon in the Methow River Basin, (3) increase the species' chances for long-term survival by supplementing the natural production of chinook salmon in the Methow River Basin, (4) mitigate for the loss of chinook salmon production above Grand Coulee Dam, and (5) ultimately reestablish sport and tribal fisheries for chinook salmon in the Methow River Basin. USFWS proposes to accept transfer of ESA-listed adult and jack spring chinook salmon that are collected by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife at Wells Dam and other locations in the Methow River Basin (under proposed permit 1196 (64 FR 6880, February 11, 1999)) and to retain ESA-listed adult and jack spring chinook salmon that return to the Winthrop NFH for broodstock. Broodstock will be held, inoculated for

diseases, and spawned at Winthrop NFH. The resulting progeny are proposed to be reared in the hatchery, tagged and/or marked with identifiers (coded wires, visual implant elastomer tags, passive integrated transponders), and released as smolts in the Methow River Basin or on-station. Hatchery smolts will be allowed to acclimate prior to their volitional emigration to the ocean. Progeny of ESA-listed UCR spring chinook spawned at Winthrop NFH may also be used in remote site incubators or outplanted as fry into the Methow River Basin. Annual incidental takes of ESA-listed UCR steelhead resulting from hatchery operations, broodstock collection, and the annual releases of juvenile fish from the program are also requested.

Dated: March 9, 2001.

**Phil Williams,**

*Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division,  
Office of Protected Resources, National  
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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### COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

#### Request for Public Comments on Potential Bilateral Textile Negotiations During 2001

March 14, 2001.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Announcement.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on categories for which consultations have been requested, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The U.S. Government anticipates holding negotiations during 2001 concerning expiring bilateral agreements concerning certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products from Cambodia, China and Taiwan if they do not accede to the WTO this year. All three of these agreements expire on December 31, 2001.

Anyone wishing to comment or provide data or information regarding these agreements is invited to submit 10 copies of such comments or information to D. Michael Hutchinson, Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; ATTN: Becky Geiger. Because the exact timing of the consultations is not yet certain, comments should be submitted promptly.

Comments or information submitted in response to this notice will be available for public inspection in the Office of Textiles and Apparel, room H3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Further comment may be invited regarding particular comments or information received from the public which the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements considers appropriate for further consideration.

The solicitation of comments is not a waiver in any respect of the exemption to the rulemaking provisions contained in 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1) relating to matters which constitute "a foreign affairs function of the United States."

**D. Michael Hutchinson,**

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the  
Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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### COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

#### Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Oman

March 14, 2001.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs reducing a limit.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 20, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this limit, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-