

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. Institutions eligible to be considered HBCU/MSIs are listed at the following Internet website: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OCR/99minin.html>.

(10) For awards receiving funding for the collection or production of geospatial data (e.g., GIS data layers), the recipient will comply to the maximum extent practicable with E.O. 12906, Coordinating Geographic Data Acquisition and Access, The National Spatial Data Infrastructure, 59 FR 17671 (April 11, 1994). The award recipient must document all new geospatial data collected or produced using the standard developed by the Federal Geographic Data Center and make that standardized documentation electronically accessible. The standard can be found at the following Internet website: (<http://www.fgdc.gov/standards/standards/html>).

#### Classification

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comments are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for this notice concerning grants, benefits, and contracts (See 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

This notice contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Sea Grant Budget Form, 90-4, and Sea Grant Summary Form, 90-2, have been approved under Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 0648-0362, with estimated times per response of 20 and 15 minutes respectively. The use of Standard Forms 424, 424b, and SF-LLL have been approved by OMB under the respective control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0040, and 0348-0046. The response time estimates above 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 on these estimates or any other aspect of these collections to the National Sea Grant

College Program, R/SG, NOAA, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (Attention: Francis M. Schuler). Notwithstanding any other provision of the 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 of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Dated: June 18, 2001.

#### Louisa Koch,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Dated: June 11, 2001.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Marine Mammals; Permit No. 821-1588-00

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of permit.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Texas A&M University, Department of Marine Biology, P.O. Box 1675, Galveston, Texas 77551 [Principal Investigator: Dr. Randall W. Davis] has been issued a permit to take sperm whales (*Physeter macrocephalus*), various small cetacean species, and Weddell seals (*Leptonychotes weddelli*) for purposes of scientific research.

**ADDRESSES:** The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376;

Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432; phone (727)570-5301; fax (727)570-5320.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ruth Johnson or Tammy Adams, (301)713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 20, 2000, notice was

published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 69737) that a request for a scientific research permit to take marine mammals had been submitted by the above-named organization. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226). Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: June 18, 2001.

#### Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Air Force

#### GPS L2/L5 Public Forum—Information on the New Global Positioning System (GPS) L2 and L5 Civil Signals

**AGENCY:** Department of the Air Force, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice, announcement of opportunity to attend.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a Global Positioning System (GPS) L2/L5 CivilSignal GPS L2/L5 Public Forum on June 29, 2001 in Washington, DC. The Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the GPS Joint Program Office (JPO), will provide information on the new civil signals being planned for the GPS L2 frequency (1227.60 MHz) and the new GPS L5 (1176.45 MHz) frequency. The information presented will be important to those in the government and industry involved in the development, production, support or use of satellite navigation products and services for the civil and military users. No new GPS JPO procurements are being announced or are anticipated in the near term for this work.

The agenda will be divided into a morning session (9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) for the GPS Program overview and L2