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Craig Manson,

Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species and/or marine mammals.

DATES: Written data, comments or requests must be received by March 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: 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: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax (703) 358-2281.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Division of Management Authority, telephone (703) 358-2104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Endangered Species

The public is invited to comment on the following application(s) for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

PRT-066885

Applicant: Secor Dustin, St. Petersburg, FL.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-066886

Applicant: Norman L. Delan, Jr., Fleetwood, PA.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-066978

Applicant: Dennis Mark Friend, Gladewater, TX.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcas*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-066574

Applicant: University of Idaho, Moscow, ID.

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples from European brown bear (*Ursus arctos arctos*) collected in the wild in Italy, for scientific research. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five year period.

PRT-066901

Applicant: Wheeling Park Commission, Ogelbay's Good Zoo, Wheeling, WV.

The applicant requests a permit to acquire through interstate commerce one male captive-born Komodo monitor (*Varanus komodoensis*) from Miami Metrozoo for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through conservation education.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has information collection approval from OMB through March 31, 2004, 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.

Dated: January 17, 2003.

Monica Farris,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, solicit review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public on the following permit requests.

DATES: Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before March 3, 2003, to receive our consideration.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181 (fax: 503-231-6243). 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: 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 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above (telephone: 503-231-2063). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Permit No. TE-062907

Applicant: Andrew Forde, Costa Mesa, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-066146

Applicant: Hugh Vance, Palm Springs, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (collect and captively propagate) the desert pupfish (*Cyprinodon macularius*) in Riverside County, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-065925

Applicant: Raphael Mazor, Berkeley, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey, collect, and sacrifice) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*) and the vernal pool fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta lynchi*), and take (capture and release) the vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*) in conjunction with genetic research, and dispersal and population demographics throughout the range of each species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE-066318

Applicant: Brian Knaus, Corvallis, Oregon.

The applicant requests a permit to reduce to possession the *Astragalus lintiginosus* var. *coachellae* (Coachella Valley milk-vetch) in conjunction with research in Riverside County, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-054802

Applicant: Anthony Adkins, Durango, Colorado.

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-004939

Applicant: Gordon Pratt, Riverside, California.

The permittee requests an amendment to take (survey by pursuit, capture, captively propagate, and release) the Lotus blue butterfly (*Lycæides argyrognomon lotis*) in conjunction with recovery efforts in Mendocino and Sonoma Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-066455

Applicant: Scot A. Chandler, Murrieta, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the

species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-053777

Applicant: David Bise, Pasadena, California.

The permittee requests an amendment to take (survey by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE-066457

Applicant: Kingsinger Environmental Consultants, Carlsbad, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

We solicit public review and comment on each of these recovery permit applications.

Dated: January 9, 2003.

William F. Shake,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Indian Affairs****Submission of Information Collection to Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act**

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Information Collection Request for the Application for Training or Employment Assistance Form, OMB Control No. 1076-0062, has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Submit your comments and suggestions on or before March 3, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent directly to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Send a copy of your comments to Lynn Forcia, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Economic Development, 1849

C Street NW., Mailstop 2412 MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Copies of the information collection may be obtained by contacting Lynn Forcia at 202-219-5270. (This is not a toll free number.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

The information collection is necessary to assess the need to help adult Indians who reside on or near Indian reservations to obtain reasonable and satisfactory employment. The information collection documents provide information necessary to administer the program for Employment Assistance or Vocational Training. The Department is authorized to undertake a program of vocational training that provides vocational counseling, guidance, and training in any recognized vocation, apprenticeship, trade, or on-the-job training. The program is available to Indians who are not less than 18 years old and not more than 35 years old who reside on or near an Indian reservation. Public Law 84-959 and Public Law 88-230 authorize the BIA to enter into contracts or agreements with Federal, State, local government agencies or associations with apprenticeship programs or on-the-job training that leads to skilled employment. The same application form is used for both 25 CFR parts 26 and 27. Information of a confidential nature is protected by the Privacy Act. A request for comments on this information collection was published in the **Federal Register** on November 15, 2002 (67 FR 69238). No comments were received.

II. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on (a) whether the information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The Office of Management and Budget has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days; therefore, comments submitted in