

threatened LCR steelhead in selected streams in southwestern Washington. The purpose of the research is to investigate the efficacy of nutrient enhancement in increasing juvenile fish growth and condition and thereby determining how effective it can be with respect to restoring juvenile salmonid production in watersheds identified as nutrient deficient. The study will benefit listed species by (a) helping managers determine the feasibility of implementing nutrient enhancement as a salmon habitat restoration technique; (b) enhancing juvenile fish growth and condition and thereby increasing over-winter survival, smolt outmigration, and adult returns; and (c) ultimately helping restore salmon populations in the Pacific Northwest. The USGS proposes to capture juvenile fish (using backpack electrofishing), anesthetize them, measure and weigh them, mark them with visual implants (VI) or VI mark and tag them with PIT-tags, allow to them recover, and release them. The USGS does not intend to capture adult fish but some may be in the areas being fished and will be avoided as much as possible. The USGS does not intend to kill any of the fish being captured, but a small percentage of the juvenile fish may die as an unintended result of the research activities. The USGS does not expect to kill any of the adult fish being captured.

Permit 1480

The USGS is requesting a 5-year research permit to annually take adult and juvenile endangered UCR chinook and steelhead in three tributaries to the Methow River in Washington State. The purpose of the research is to monitor the contribution these streams make to chinook and steelhead production in the Methow subbasin both before and after human-made passage barriers in the streams have been removed. The research will benefit the fish by generating information on the effectiveness of such restoration actions in the area, and that information, in turn, will be used to guide other such efforts throughout the region. The USGS proposes to capture the fish—using weirs/traps and backpack electrofishing equipment anesthetize them, PIT-tag them (if they are large enough), allow them to recover, and release them. Several instream PIT-tag interrogation sites will be put into place to monitor the fish in the tributaries. In addition, tissue samples will be taken from some of the fish. The USGS does not intend to kill any of the fish being captured, but a small percentage may die as an unintended result of the research activities.

This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the ESA. NMFS will evaluate the applications, associated documents, and comments submitted to determine whether the applications meet the requirements of section 10(a) of the ESA and Federal regulations. The final permit decisions will not be made until after the end of the 30-day comment period. NMFS will publish notice of its final action in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: April 20, 2004.

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Procedures for Export of Noncomplying Products

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Consumer Product Safety Commission requests comments on a proposed three year extension of approval of information collection requirements in regulations codified at 16 CFR part 1019, which establish procedures for export of noncomplying products. These regulations implement provisions of the Consumer Product Safety Act, the Federal Hazardous Substances Act, and the Flammable Fabrics Act that require persons and firms to notify the Commission before exporting any product that fails to comply with an applicable standard or regulation enforced under provisions of those laws. The Commission is required by law to transmit the information relating to the proposed exportation to the government of the country of intended destination. The Commission will consider all comments received in response to this notice before requesting approval of this collection of information from the Office of Management and Budget.

DATES: Written comments must be received by the Office of the Secretary not later than June 25, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be captioned "Collection of Information—Procedures for Export of Noncomplying Products" and mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Consumer

Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207, or delivered to that office, room 502, 4330 East-West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland 20814. Written comments may also be sent to the Office of the Secretary by facsimile at (301) 504-0127 or by e-mail at *cpssc-os@cpssc.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information about the proposed collection of information, or to obtain a copy of 16 CFR part 1019, call or write Linda L. Glatz, Office of Planning and Evaluation, Consumer Product Safety Commission, Washington, DC 20207; (301) 504-7671.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Estimated Burden

Based on a review of the number of export requests received by the CPSC during the last three years, the Commission staff estimates that approximately 55 notifications will be received from an estimated 45 firms per year. The staff further estimates that the average time for each response is one hour, for a total of 55 hours of annual burden. The annualized cost to respondents would be approximately \$1,350.00. (55 hours at \$24.48/hour based on total compensation for all civilian workers in the U.S., September 2003, Bureau of Labor Statistics.)

B. Request for Comments

The Commission solicits written comments from all interested persons about the proposed collection of information. The Commission specifically solicits information relevant to the following topics:

- Whether the collection of information described above is necessary for the proper performance of the Commission's functions, including whether the information would have practical utility;
- Whether the estimated burden of the proposed collection of information is accurate;
- Whether the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected could be enhanced; and
- Whether the burden imposed by the collection of information could be minimized by use of automated, electronic or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology.

Dated: April 20, 2004.

Todd A. Stevenson,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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