

Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, California 90802. Comments may also be sent using email ([FRNpermits.lb@noaa.gov](mailto:FRNpermits.lb@noaa.gov)) or fax (562.980.4027). The permit application is available for review, by appointment only, at the foregoing address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Matt McGrogan at phone number (562) 980-4026 or e-mail: [matthew.mcgoogan@noaa.gov](mailto:matthew.mcgoogan@noaa.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority**

Issuance of permits, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531B1543) (ESA), is based on a finding that such permits: (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. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NOAA Fisheries 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 provide the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such a 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 NOAA Fisheries.

**Permit Application Received**

Freddy Otte has applied for a permit to take the South Central California Coast Distinct Population Segment of threatened steelhead trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) and tissue collection from this species during a two-year study (2007 and 2008) of the abundance and distribution of juvenile steelhead in the San Luis Obispo Creek watershed, San Luis Obispo County, California. Freddy Otte proposes electrofishing and direct underwater observation using mask and snorkel as the methods for estimating abundance and distribution of juvenile steelhead, and has requested an annual non-lethal take of 1620 juvenile steelhead, and annual collection and possession of up to 100 juvenile steelhead tissue samples, with the total possession for both years not exceeding 200 tissue samples. The proposed research would conclude October 31, 2008.

Dated: February 6, 2007.

**Angela Somma,**

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

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Hood Canal summer-run and Columbia River chum salmon (*O. keta*); Lower Columbia River coho salmon (*O. kisutch*); Snake River Basin, Lower Columbia River, Middle Columbia River, and Upper Columbia River steelhead (*O. mykiss*).

**Background**

The GSRO submitted the HRP for habitat restoration activities that might affect certain salmonid ESUs listed as threatened in Washington State. The HRP was designed so that habitat restoration activities would be protective of salmonids and their habitat.

The HRP defines what activities are habitat restorations. These consist of restoration activities that are funded by the WA Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB), specifically address a major limiting factor identified in a watershed-based salmon recovery plan, are consistent with approved Washington State technical guidance, are identified in a salmon recovery implementation plan, have proceeded through a process that ensures technical suitability and public participation, and would not result in significant negative effects.

Finally, the HRP is being analyzed by NMFS for possible biological effects of implementing habitat restoration activities. The biological opinion will analyze the effects of the HRP on listed salmonids and their habitat statewide. Before NMFS can decide whether to approve the HRP, the biological opinion must conclude that the identified habitat restoration activities conducted throughout Washington State under the HRP will not jeopardize listed salmonids or result in destruction or adverse modification of designated critical habitat. In addition, approval or disapproval of the HRP will depend on NMFS' findings after public review and comment.

As specified in the July 10, 2000, ESA 4(d) rule for salmon and steelhead (65 FR 42422), NMFS may approve a habitat restoration program of the state, provided that NMFS finds the activities to be consistent with the conservation of listed salmonids' habitat (50 CFR 223.203(b)(8)). Prior to final approval of a habitat restoration program, NMFS must publish notification in the **Federal Register** announcing the program's availability for public review and comment, hence this notice.

**Authority**

Under section 4 of the ESA, the Secretary of Commerce is required to adopt such regulations as he deems necessary and advisable for the

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**[I.D. 013107E]**

**Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the State of Washington through the Governor's Salmon Recovery Office (GSRO) has submitted a Habitat Restoration Program (HRP) pursuant to protective regulations promulgated under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The HRP would affect ten Evolutionarily Significant Units (ESUs) of threatened salmonids in Washington State. This document serves to notify the public of the availability of the HRP for review and comment before a final approval or disapproval is made by NMFS.

**DATES:** Written comments on the draft HRP must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than 5 p.m. Pacific Standard Time March 14, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to Matthew Longenbaugh, Habitat Conservation Division, National Marine Fisheries Service, 510 Desmond Drive, Suite 103, Lacey, Washington 98503. Comments may also be faxed to 360-753-9517. Copies of the entire HRP are available on the <http://www.governor.wa.gov/gsro/> or from the address posted on that site. Comments will be accepted via email at [HRP-WA-GSRO-comment@noaa.gov](mailto:HRP-WA-GSRO-comment@noaa.gov) or the Internet.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Matthew Longenbaugh at phone number 360-753-7761, or e-mail:

[Matthew.Longenbaugh@noaa.gov](mailto:Matthew.Longenbaugh@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice is relevant to the following ten threatened salmonid ESUs: Puget Sound, Lower Columbia River, and Snake River spring/summer Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*);

conservation of species listed as threatened. The ESA salmon and steelhead 4(d) rule (65 FR 42422, July 10, 2000) specifies categories of activities that contribute to the conservation of listed salmonids and sets out the criteria for such activities.

The rule further provides that the prohibitions of paragraph (a) of the rule do not apply to activities associated with SRFB-funded habitat restoration provided that the state program has been approved by NMFS to be in accordance with the salmon and steelhead 4(d) rule (65 FR 42422, July 10, 2000).

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**Angela Somma,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 020507B]

#### Marine Mammals; File No. 731-1774

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

**ACTION:** Notice; receipt of application for amendment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Robin Baird, Ph.D., Cascadia Research, 218 1/2 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Olympia, WA 98501, has requested an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 731-1774.

**DATES:** Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before March 14, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** The amendment request and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment: (See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this request should be submitted to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular amendment request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)427-2521, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no

later than the closing date of the comment period.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail. The mailbox address for providing e-mail comments is *NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov*. Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: File No. 731-1774.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Skidmore or Amy Sloan, (301)713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject amendment to Permit No. 731-1774, issued on September 16, 2005, and most recently amended on December 29, 2006, is requested 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).

Permit No. 731-1774, issued to Robin Baird, Ph.D. (Cascadia Research) authorizes vessel approaches, aerial over-flights, photo-identification, video and audio recording and suction cup tagging of cetacean species in all U.S. and international waters in the Pacific, including Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii, and other U.S. territories. The objectives of the research are to assess cetacean populations and to study diving and night-time behavior, social organization, and inter-specific interactions. The purpose of the modification is to enhance the examination of movements (for stock structure assessment) and habitat use of: Blainville's (*Mesoplodon densirostris*), Cuvier's (*Ziphius cavirostris*), Longman's (*Indopacetus pacificus*), and Baird's (*Berardius bairdii*) beaked whales, short-finned pilot (*Globicephala macrorhynchus*), non-Southern Resident killer (*Orcinus orca*), pygmy killer (*Feresa attenuata*), melon-headed (*Peponocephala electra*), and false killer (*Pseudorca crassidens*) whales, bottlenose (*Tursiops truncatus*), rough-toothed (*Steno bredanensis*), and Risso's (*Grampus griseus*) dolphins, and dwarf (*Kogia sima*) and pygmy (*Kogia breviceps*) sperm whales using satellite tagging with dart tags. For each species, up to 20 individuals may be dart tagged per year for the duration of the permit. Incidental harassment of non-target animals is already authorized no additional harassment takes are requested. Dart tagging would occur concurrently with already permitted activities, primarily in Hawaiian waters, though some species may be tagged opportunistically elsewhere where activities are authorized. No takes by dart tagging or additional incidental takes of ESA listed species are

requested. The amended permit, if issued, would be valid until the permit expires on August 31, 2010.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Documents may be reviewed in the following locations:

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)427-2521;

Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0700; phone (206)526-6150; fax (206)526-6426;

Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668; phone (907)586-7221; fax (907)586-7249;

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4001; fax (562)980-4018; and

Pacific Islands Region, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Rm 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814-4700; phone (808)973-2935; fax (808)973-2941.

Dated: February 6, 2007.

**P. Michael Payne,**

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

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## CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

### Collection of Information; Proposed Extension of Approval; Comment Request—Recordkeeping Requirements Under the Safety Regulations for Full-Size Cribs

**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 the safety regulations for full-size cribs codified at 16 CFR 1500.18(a)(13) and Part 1508. These regulations were issued to reduce hazards of strangulation, suffocation, pinching, bruising, laceration, and other injuries associated with full-size cribs. (A full-size crib is a crib having an interior length ranging from 49 3/4 inches to 55 inches and an interior width