

**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 applications 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).

*Applicant:* Tom Stehn, Whooping Crane Recovery Plan Coordinator, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 2, Austwell, TX, PRT-022747.

The applicant requests renewal of their permit to export/re-export captive-bred/captive hatched and wild live specimens, captive-bred/wild collected viable eggs, biological samples and salvaged materials from captive-bred/wild specimens of Whooping cranes (*Grus americana*) to Canada, for completion of identified tasks and objectives mandated under the Whooping Crane Recovery Plan. Salvage materials may include, but are not limited to, whole or partial specimens, feathers, eggs, and egg shell fragments. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

*Applicant:* University of North Carolina at Wilmington, Wilmington, NC, PRT-168756.

The applicant requests a permit to export biological samples from Kemp's Ridley sea turtle (*Lepidochelys kempii*) to Ontario, Canada for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

*Applicant:* Dr. Leslie Lyons, University of California, Davis, Davis, CA, PRT-154582

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples from wild and captive born species of Felidae from various locations for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

*Applicant:* Priour Brothers Ranch, Ingram, TX, PRT-707102

The applicant requests renewal of their permit which authorizes interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess animals of the following species: swamp deer (*Cervus duvauceli*),

Eld's deer (*Cervus eldi*) and red lechwe (*Kobus lechwe*) from their captive herd for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species in the wild. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

**Endangered Marine Mammals and Marine Mammals**

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered marine mammals and/or marine mammals. The applications were submitted to satisfy requirements of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and/or the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing endangered species (50 CFR Part 17) and/or marine mammals (50 CFR Part 18). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of the complete applications or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Director (address above). Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

*Applicant:* Monterey Bay Aquarium, Monterey, CA, PRT-032027

The applicant requests renewal and amendment of their permit to take up to 100 southern sea otters (*Enhydra lutris nereis*) annually by capturing and recapturing, tagging and instrumenting, taking biological samples, conducting non-invasive and minimally invasive experiments on captive-held animals, conducting birth control, rehabilitating stranded animals, releasing animals, and care and maintenance of animals deemed provisionally non-releasable and non-releasable for the purpose of scientific research and enhancement of the survival of the species. The applicant is also requesting authorization to export and re-import captive-held sea otters deemed non-releasable for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

*Applicant:* Beyond Bears, Inc., Frazier Park, CA, PRT-142439

The applicant requests a permit to import one female captive-born polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) from Beyond Bears' facility in Abbotsford, British

Columbia, Canada, for the purpose of public display.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Division of Management Authority is forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Dated: November 16, 2007.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

**Issuance of Permits**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of permits for endangered species and/or marine mammals.

**SUMMARY:** The following permits were issued.

**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 to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that on the dates below, as authorized by the provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and/or the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Fish and Wildlife Service issued the requested permit(s) subject to certain conditions set forth therein. For each permit for an endangered species, the Service found that (1) the application was filed in good faith, (2) the granted permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) the granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in Section 2 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.

## ENDANGERED SPECIES

Permit number	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
072945, 072948, 074389–074393, 074395, 074397, and 074398.	Mitchel Kalmanson .....	72 FR 37795; July 11, 2007 .....	October 31, 2007.

## ENDANGERED MARINE MAMMALS AND MARINE MAMMALS

Permit number	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
046081 .....	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Marine Mammals Management.	72 FR 37039; July 6, 2007 .....	August 30, 2007.
134165 .....	Edward Keith .....	72 FR 16383; April 4, 2007 .....	August 20, 2007.
134907 .....	North Slope Borough .....	72 FR 52905; September 17, 2007 ....	November 7, 2007.
156390 .....	University of Massachusetts Lowell ....	72 FR 48292; August 23, 2007 .....	November 7, 2007.
801652 .....	U.S. Geological Survey, BRD .....	72 FR 31601; June 7, 2007 .....	November 7, 2007.
155087 .....	Tom L. Miranda .....	72 FR 33242; June 15, 2007 .....	September 20, 2007.
156712 .....	John M. Azevedo .....	72 FR 37795; July 11, 2007 .....	October 15, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

## National Park Service

### Final Environmental Impact Statement for the General Management Plan, Great Falls Park, VA.

**AGENCY:** National Park Service,  
Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability of the  
Final Environmental Impact Statement  
for the General Management Plan, Great  
Falls Park, Virginia.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National  
Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42  
U.S.C. 4332(c), the National Park  
Service (NPS) announces the  
availability of the Final Environmental  
Impact Statement for the General  
Management Plan, Great Falls Park,  
Virginia (FEIS/GMP), administered by  
the George Washington Memorial  
Parkway (GWMP), a unit of the National  
Park System.

**DATES:** The NPS will execute a Record  
of Decision no sooner than 30 days  
following publication by the  
Environmental Protection Agency of the  
notice of availability of the FEIS/GMP.  
A 60-day public review period took  
place on the Draft Environmental  
Impact Statement for the General  
Management Plan (DEIS/GMP), Great  
Falls Park, Virginia, from October 15, to  
December 15, 2005 (70 FR 47853).  
Responses to public comment are  
addressed in the FEIS/GMP.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on this FEIS/  
GMP may be submitted in writing to:  
Mr. David Vela, Superintendent, George  
Washington Memorial Parkway, Turkey  
Run Park, McLean, Virginia 22101; e-  
mailed to  
[gwmp\\_superintendent@nps.gov](mailto:gwmp_superintendent@nps.gov); or  
submitted via an electronic link at  
<http://parkplanning.nps.gov>. To submit  
comments on [http://](http://parkplanning.nps.gov)  
[parkplanning.nps.gov](http://parkplanning.nps.gov), click on the link  
“Plans/Documents Open for Comment”  
and follow that link to “Great Falls Park  
GMP/EIS.”

The FEIS/GMP will be available for  
public inspection Monday through  
Friday, 8 a.m. through 4 p.m., at the  
GWMP Headquarters, Turkey Run Park,  
McLean, Virginia 22101, and at the  
following sites: Great Falls Park,  
Virginia, Visitor Center, 9200 Old  
Dominion Drive, McLean, Virginia  
22101, (703) 285-2965; Office of the  
Chief of Planning, National Capital  
Region, National Park Service, 1100  
Ohio Drive SW., Washington, D.C.  
20242, (202) 619–7277; Great Falls  
Library, 9830A Georgetown Pike, Great  
Falls, Virginia; and at [http://](http://www.nps.gov/gwmp/parkmgmt/documents.html)  
[www.nps.gov/gwmp/parkmgmt/](http://www.nps.gov/gwmp/parkmgmt/)  
[documents.html](http://www.nps.gov/gwmp/parkmgmt/).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr.  
David Vela, Superintendent, George  
Washington Memorial Parkway, Turkey  
Run Park, McLean, Virginia, 22102,  
(703) 289–2500, or Mr. Walter  
McDowney, Site Manager, Great Falls  
Park, Virginia, 9300 Old Dominion  
Drive, McLean, Virginia 22101, (703)  
285–2965.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FEIS/  
GMP analyzes two alternatives for  
managing Great Falls Park, Virginia. The  
plan is intended to provide a foundation  
to help park managers guide park  
programs and set priorities for the

management of Great Falls Park,  
Virginia, for the next 20 years. The  
FEIS/GMP evaluates the environmental  
consequences of the preferred  
alternative and the status quo  
alternative on natural and cultural  
resources, recreational opportunities,  
traditional park character and visitor  
experience, and public health and  
safety.

Alternative A, “Status Quo/  
Continuation of Current Conditions,”  
maintains the status quo in the park,  
and describes resource conditions  
where existing practices continue to  
guide park practices. This alternative  
does not address resource protection  
planning needs including a Climbing  
Management Plan and a Trail  
Management Plan.

Alternative B (Preferred Alternative  
[Modified]) is based on an overall goal  
for the park of balancing opportunities  
for recreation while protecting sensitive  
natural and cultural resources. The  
preferred alternative described in the  
DEIS/GMP has been modified based on  
public and agency Comments that were  
received, as well as additional review by  
the internal planning team.

All interested individuals, agencies,  
and organizations are urged to provide  
comments on the FEIS/GMP. The NPS,  
in making a final decision regarding this  
matter, will consider all comments  
received by the closing date.

Our practice is to make comments,  
including names and home addresses of  
respondents, available for public review  
during regular business hours. Before  
including your address, phone number,  
e-mail address, or other personal  
identifying information in your  
comment, be advised that your entire  
comment—including your personal  
identifying information—may be made