

five consecutive years resulting from the capture (by boat electrofisher, angling, trot line, gill/trammel net, beach seine), handling, anesthetizing, enumerating, measuring, tagging (pittag, radio tag, acoustic telemetry tag, Hallprint floy-tag), tissue (scale, otolith) sampling and analysis, releasing, and non-intentional mortality of fish, in association with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project No. 2100 Settlement Agreement for the re-licensing of the Oroville- Thermalito Complex Project:

Project 1 researches wild steelhead site-fidelity and growth through mark-recapture methods. Research activities associated with Project 1 include the capture of juvenile steelhead by boat electrofishing or seine block nets, tagging adult steelhead with radio and acoustic telemetry tags for tracking, recapture of tagged steelhead to calculate individual growth rates and to estimate population survival rates, taking length-weight measurements for calculating condition, and collecting scales and otoliths from adult steelhead to provide life history information on the Feather River population.

Project 2 researches characteristics of spring-run Chinook salmon holding pools and spawning habitats, spring-run migration timing, and spring-run salmon holding survival to spawning. Research activities associated with Project 2 include the capture of spring-run by angling, the tagging of spring-run with radio, acoustic tags and Hallprint tags, and the tracking of spring-run to understand movement and holding patterns of spring-run migration within the Feather River.

Project 3 researches impacts to green sturgeon in the lower Feather River from operational effects of Oroville Dam on river flow, temperature and green sturgeon habitat. Research activities associated with Project 3 include the capture of green sturgeon by fyke trap, gill/trammel net, trot line, and boat electrofisher; acoustic-tagging and tracking of green sturgeon to evaluate migration patterns, residence times, migration barriers; and identifying potential spawning grounds for green sturgeon egg and larval surveys.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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

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

**ACTION:** Notice, issuance of permit.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Natural Resource Scientists, Incorporated (NRS), P.O. Box 1210, Red Bluff, CA, 96080, has been issued a permit to take Sacramento River winter-run Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*), Central Valley spring-run Chinook salmon (*O. tshawytscha*), and California steelhead (*O. mykiss*) 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, 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; and NMFS, Protected Resources Division, 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 8-300, Sacramento, CA 95814-4706; phone (916) 930-3600; fax (916) 930-3629.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shirley Witalis, phone (916)930-3606.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 18, 2008, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 77009), that a request for a scientific research permit to take Sacramento River winter-run Chinook salmon, Central Valley spring-run Chinook salmon, Central Valley steelhead, and southern DPS of North American green sturgeon (*Acipenser medirostris*) had been submitted by the above-named organization. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of 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).

Researchers will annually conduct site specific research at three irrigation diversion canal sites off the Sacramento River, within the Colusa, Sutter, and Yolo counties of the Central Valley, California. Entrained fish will be captured by fyke net, identified as to species/race, enumerated, measured for length, and placed back into the

diversion canals; all entrained live fish will be placed back into the Sacramento River. This research is part of an ongoing investigation into developing criteria for prioritizing fish screening projects, and will correlate fish entrainment with the physical, hydraulic, and habitat variables at each diversion site. The permit is issued for 2 years.

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 any endangered or threatened species, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 23-2009]

#### Foreign-Trade Zone 119—Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN; Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Greater Metropolitan Area Foreign Trade Zone Commission, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 119, requesting authority to expand its zone to include additional sites in the Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota area. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the FTZ Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on May 21, 2009.

FTZ 119 was approved by the Board on July 24, 1985 (Board Order 305, 50 FR 31404, 8/2/85) and was expanded on April 14, 1994 (Board Order 690, 59 FR 19692, 4/25/94). The general-purpose zone consists of the following sites: *Site 1* (3,238 acres)—two adjacent parcels—Parcel 1A within the 3,002-acre Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport, 6040 28th Avenue (500-acre activation limit) and Parcel 1B (236 acres) within the Bloomington Airport Industrial Park, southeast corner of the intersection of I-494 and State Highway 77, Bloomington; *Site 2* (960 acres)—Mid-City Industrial Park, 701 24th Avenue, Minneapolis; *Site 3* (13 acres)—Eagan Industrial Park, 3703 Kennebec Drive, Eagan; *Site 4* (20