

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Marine Mammals

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Bruce Mate, PhD, Oregon State University, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Newport, OR has been issued a permit to conduct research on marine mammals.

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) 713-0376; and

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tammy Adams or Kristy Beard, (301) 713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 13, 2010, notice was published in the *Federal Register* (75 FR 39915) that a request for a permit to conduct research on gray whales (*Eschrichtius robustus*) had been submitted by the above-named applicant. The requested permit has been issued 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), 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).

The permit authorizes takes of marine mammals by level B harassment during a study to evaluate the effectiveness of an underwater acoustic deterrent device at diverting gray whales migrating past the coast of central Oregon between January and mid-April away from the sound source. The permit also authorizes incidental level B harassment of harbor porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*), Southern Resident and West Coast Transient killer whales (*Orcinus*

orca), harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina*), California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*), Eastern Distinct Population Segment Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*), and Northern elephant seals (*Mirounga angustirostris*). The permit is valid for five years from the date of issuance.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an environmental assessment (EA) was prepared analyzing the effects of the permitted activities on the human environment. Based on the analyses in the EA, NMFS determined that issuance of the permit would not significantly impact the quality of the human environment and that preparation of an environmental impact statement was not required. That determination is documented in a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), signed on October 29, 2010.

As required by the ESA, issuance of this permit was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: November 2, 2010.

P. Michael Payne,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Foreign-Trade Zones Board**

[Order No. 1721]

Reorganization of Foreign-Trade Zone 177 Under Alternative Site Framework; Mount Vernon/Evansville, Indiana

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Board adopted the alternative site framework (ASF) in December 2008 (74 FR 1170, 01/12/09; correction 74 FR 3987, 01/22/09) as an option for the establishment or reorganization of general-purpose zones;

Whereas, the Ports of Indiana, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 177, submitted an application to the Board (FTZ Docket 27-2010, filed 4/22/2010) for authority to reorganize under the ASF with a service area of Vanderburgh, Dubois, Pike, Gibson, Knox, Daviess, Spencer, Warrick and Posey Counties, Indiana,

adjacent to the Owensboro-Evansville Customs and Border Protection port of entry, and FTZ 177's existing Sites 1 through 4 would be categorized as magnet sites;

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the *Federal Register* (75 FR 24570-24571, 5/5/2010) and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations; and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and Board's regulations are satisfied, and that the proposal is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders:

The application to reorganize FTZ 177 under the alternative site framework is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28, to the Board's standard 2,000-acre activation limit for the overall general-purpose zone project, and to a five-year ASF sunset provision for magnet sites that would terminate authority for Sites 2, 3 and 4 if not activated by November 30, 2015.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 29th day of October 2010.

Ronald K. Lorentzen,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

Attest:

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Foreign-Trade Zones Board**

[Order No. 1720]

Reorganization of Foreign-Trade Zone 125 Under Alternative Site Framework; South Bend, Indiana

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Board adopted the alternative site framework (ASF) in December 2008 (74 FR 1170, 01/12/09; correction 74 FR 3987, 01/22/09) as an option for the establishment or reorganization of general-purpose zones;

Whereas, the St. Joseph County Airport Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 125, submitted an application to the Board (FTZ Docket