

(*Ursus maritimus*) which are collected throughout the range of the species and imported from Queen's University, Ontario, Canada, for the purpose of scientific research on the development of genetic markers that would be useful in monitoring polar bear populations. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Concurrent with publishing this notice in the **Federal Register**, we are forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R6-ES-2013-N115;
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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered or threatened species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by July 22, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments or requests for copies or more information by any of the following methods. Alternatively, you may use one of the following methods to request hard copies or a CD-ROM of the documents. Please specify the permit you are interested in by number (e.g., Permit No. TE-067397).

• *Email:* permitsR6ES@fws.gov. Please refer to the respective permit number (e.g., Permit No. TE-067397) in the subject line of the message.

• *U.S. Mail:* Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486-DFC, Denver, CO 80225.

• *In-Person Drop-off, Viewing, or Pickup:* Call (303) 236-4212 to make an appointment during regular business hours at 134 Union Blvd., Suite 645, Lakewood, CO 80228.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathy Konishi, Permit Coordinator, Ecological Services, (303) 236-4212 (phone); permitsR6ES@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR part 17, the Act provides for permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with United States endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes, enhancement of propagation or survival, or interstate commerce (the latter only in the event that it facilitates scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival). Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Application Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following applications. Documents and other information the applicant has submitted are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Application Number: TE-067397

Applicant: Wyoming Game and Fish Department, 5400 Bishop Blvd., Cheyenne, WY 82006.

The applicant requests the amendment of an existing permit to take (capture, handle, and release) black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) for research and presence/absence surveys within the State of Wyoming under permit TE-067397 for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit Application Number: TE-06665B

Applicant: Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, 1594 W. North Temple, STE 2110, Salt Lake City, UT 84114.

The applicant requests a new permit to take (capture, handle, and release) woundfin (*Plagopterus argentissimus*) under permit TE-06665B for experimental stocking in the Virgin River within the State of Utah, and outside their perceived historic range, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit Application Number: TE-165829

Applicant: Bureau of Land Management, Utah State Office, 440 West 200 South, STE 500, Salt Lake City, UT 84145-0155.

The applicant requests the renewal of an existing permit to take (collect, handle, and propagate) Barneby ridge-cress (*Lepidium barnebyanum*), Barney reed-mustard (*Schoenocrambe barnebyi*), Holmgren milk-vetch (*Astragalus holmgreniorum*), Kodachrome bladderpod (*Lesquerella tumulosa*), San Rafael cactus (*Pediocactus despainii*), Shivwitz milk-vetch (*Astragalus ampullarioides*), shrubby reed-mustard (*Schoenocrambe suffrutenscens*), and Wright fishhook cactus (*Sclerocactus wrightiae*) under permit TE-165829 for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit Application Number: TE-049748

Applicant: Utah State University, Ecology Center, 5205 Old Main Hill, Logan, UT 84322-5210.

The applicant requests the renewal of an existing permit to take (collect, handle, and take) June sucker (*Chasmistes liorus*) under permit TE-049748 for research on larval June sucker in Utah Lake and its tributaries for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

National Environmental Policy Act

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in these permits are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1, 1.4C(1)).

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to these requests will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business

hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*)

Dated: June 4, 2013.

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Assistant Regional Director, Mountain-Prairie Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered Species; Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have issued the following permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species. We issue these permits under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203;

fax (703) 358-2280; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2280 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On the dates below, as authorized by the provisions of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), as amended, and/or the MMPA, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), we issued requested permits subject to certain conditions set forth therein. For each permit for an endangered species, we 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 ESA.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

Permit No.	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
89067A	Coleman Ranches, Ltd	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
76016A	Richard Gracy	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
85304A	David Brigham	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
83485A	Coleman Ranches, Ltd	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
83683A	Sheila Emerson	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
76015A	Richard Gracy	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
226351	Herrmann, Eugene Jerry & Janelle Patrice	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
88840A	Jonathan Stewart	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	December 28, 2012.
71447A	Global Health And Education Foundation	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
86609A	Hondeaux Oaks, LLC	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
86676A	Rafter O Ranch	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
86465A	Campo De Rio Medio Ranch	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
734011	Festival Fun Parks LLC	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
86469A	Hondeaux Oaks, LLC	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
680582	Life Fellowship Bird Sanctuary	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
86456A	Rafter O Ranch	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
84309A	Daniel Ray	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
677573	Reid Park Zoo	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
002692	Springhill Wildlife Park	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
680356	Utah's Hogle Zoo	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 4, 2013.
88651A	Circle E Ranch	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 10, 2013.
88044A	Double Arrow Bow Hunting	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 10, 2013.
88290A	Still Fox Ranch	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 10, 2013.
88649A	Circle E Ranch	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 10, 2013.
88038A	Double Arrow Bow Hunting	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 10, 2013.
88901A	Clifton Lincoln	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 10, 2013.
88288A	Still Fox Ranch	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 10, 2013.
88909A	Living Treasures Wild Animal Park	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	January 22, 2013.
88777A	Wild Wonders Zoofari	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	February 20, 2013.
88756A	Lionshare Farm Zoological LLC	77 FR 68809; November 16, 2012	March 12, 2013.
84317A	Diane Hitchcock	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 10, 2013.
83682A	Brian Holeman	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 10, 2013.
748351	Endangered Species Propagation	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 11, 2013.
027091	Alan Flynn	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 11, 2013.
713600	Kingdom Of The Mammals	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 11, 2013.
89824A	Terry Owen	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 15, 2013.
89321A	Johnny B Corporation	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 15, 2013.
89708A	Terry Owen	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 15, 2013.
89123A	Tony Roach	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 15, 2013.
89821A	James Sillers	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 15, 2013.
89715A	Karla White	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 15, 2013.
073270	Robert Opferman	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 16, 2013.
680444	Roosevelt Park Zoo	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 16, 2013.
813047	Staten Island Zoological Society	77 FR 70457; November 26, 2012	January 16, 2013.