

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.8. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) suggestions to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) suggestions to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses. The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the request for approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

**Title:** Entry and Manifest of Merchandise Free of Duty, Carrier's Certificate and Release.

**OMB Number:** 1651-0013.

**Form Number:** CBP Form 7523.

**Current Actions:** CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection. There is no change to the burden hours or the information collected.

**Type of Review:** Extension (without change).

**Affected Public:** Businesses.

**Abstract:** CBP Form 7523, *Entry and Manifest of Merchandise Free of Duty, Carrier's Certificate and Release*, is used by carriers and importers as a manifest for the entry of merchandise free of duty under certain conditions. CBP Form 7523 is also used by carriers to show that articles being imported are to be released to the importer or consignee, and as an inward foreign manifest for a vehicle or a vessel of less than 5 net tons arriving in the United States from Canada or Mexico with merchandise conditionally free of duty. CBP uses this form to authorize the entry of such merchandise. CBP Form 7523 is authorized by 19 U.S.C. 1433, 1484 and

1498. It is provided for by 19 CFR 123.4 and 19 CFR 143.23. This form is accessible at <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/publications/forms?title=7523&=Apply>.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 4,950.

**Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:** 20.

**Estimated Total Annual Responses:** 99,000.

**Estimated Time per Response:** 5 minutes.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:** 8,247.

Dated: September 19, 2018.

**Seth D Renkema,**

*Branch Chief, Economic Impact Analysis Branch, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

**[Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2018-0041; FXIA1671090000-178-FF09A30000]**

### Foreign Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permit

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

**DATES:** We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before October 24, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** *Submitting Comments:* You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on *Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2018-0041*.

- *U.S. mail or hand-delivery:* Public Comments Processing, Attn: *Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2018-0041*; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters, MS: BPHC; 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

When submitting comments, please indicate the *name of the applicant and the PRT#* you are commenting on. We will post all comments on <http://www.regulations.gov>. This generally means that we will post any personal

information you provide us (see the *Public Comments* section below for more information).

**Viewing Comments:** Comments and materials we receive will be available for public inspection on <http://www.regulations.gov>, or by appointment, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803; telephone 703-358-2095.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov) (email).

## II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), we invite public comment on permit applications before final action is taken. With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities. Permits issued under section 10 of the ESA allow activities for scientific purposes or to enhance the propagation or survival of the affected species.

## III. Permit Applications

*Applicant: Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Marquette, MI; Permit No. 38760B*

The applicant requests amendment of a current permit, to add wolf (*Canis lupus*), to export samples for scientific research purposes. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Duke University, Durham, NC; Permit No. 69393C*

The applicant requests a permit to re-export serum samples derived from bonobos (*Pan paniscus*) to Duke-NUS Medical School for scientific research purposes. This notification is for a single re-export.

*Applicant: Project Survival, Dunlap, CA; Permit No. 73174C*

The applicant requests a permit to import one female cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus*) from Cango Wildlife Ranch, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, to enhance the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

*Applicant: Animal Ark, Inc., Reno, NV; Permit No. 74719C*

The applicant requests a permit to import one female cheetah (*Acinonyx*

*jubatus*) from Cango Wildlife Ranch, Port Elizabeth, South Africa, to enhance the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

*Applicant: Dos Hijos Ranch—Operations, Inc., Benavides, TX; Permit No. 75297A*

The applicant requests renewal of a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), which is listed as swamp deer (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Double Arrow Bow Hunting, Harwood, TX; Permit No. 88038A*

The applicant requests renewal of a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), which is listed as swamp deer (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Species Survival, LLC, Indiantown, FL; Permit No. 70659C*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for golden parakeet (*Aratinga guarouba*) to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Andy Nguyen, Huntington Beach, CA; Permit No. 84343C*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for radiated tortoise (*Geochelone radiata*), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Coastal Exotics Inc., Jacksonville, FL; Permit No. 03596B*

The applicant requests renewal of a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for radiated tortoise (*Geochelone radiata*), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Nancy Speed, Benton, MS; Permit No. 84335C*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for golden parakeet (*Aratinga*

*guarouba*) and Vinaceous-breasted parrot (*Amazona vinacea*), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Alan Flynn, Brockton, MA; Permit No. 84338C*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for radiated tortoise (*Geochelone radiata*), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Circle E Ranch, Bedias, TX; Permit No. 88649A*

The applicant requests renewal of a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), which is listed as swamp deer (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), and red lechwe (*Kobus lechwe*), to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: International Crane Foundation, Baraboo, WI; Permit No. 85311C*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for hooded crane (*Grus monacha*), black-necked crane (*Grus nigricollis*), Siberian crane (*Grus leucogeranus*), red-crowned crane (*Grus japonensis*), and white-naped crane (*Grus vipio*) to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Louisiana State University Shirley C. Tucker Herbarium, Baton Rouge, LA; Permit No. 84873C*

The applicant requests a permit to export and reimport nonliving museum/herbarium specimens of endangered and threatened species (excluding animals) previously legally accessioned into the applicant's collection for scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Utah State University, Logan, UT; Permit No. 92157A*

The applicant requests renewal of a permit for the export/re-export and reimport nonliving museum/herbarium specimens of endangered and threatened species (excluding animals) previously legally accessioned into the applicant's collection for scientific

research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Double Arrow Bow Hunting, Harwood, TX; Permit No. 88044A*

The applicant requests a permit authorizing the culling of excess barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), which is listed as swamp deer (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), from the captive herd maintained at the applicant's facility, to enhance the species' propagation and survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Circle E Ranch, Bedias, TX; Permit No. 88651A*

The applicant requests a permit authorizing the culling of excess barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), which is listed as swamp deer (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), and red lechwe (*Kobus lechwe*) from the captive herd maintained at the applicant's facility, to enhance the species' propagation and survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

#### Trophy Applicants

The following applicants each request a permit to import sport-hunted trophies of a male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species.

*Applicant: Haroutyun Alajayan, Chatsworth, CA; Permit No. 83079C*

*Applicant: Robert Boyce, Baton Rouge, LA; Permit No. 78626C*

*Applicant: Kirk Woodward, Vernal, UT; Permit No. 84909C*

*Applicant: Robert Gwin, Oklahoma City, OK; Permit No. 78721C*

*Applicant: Roger Ditto, Snohomish, WA; Permit No. 84786C*

*Applicant: Jason Soulliere, Romeo, MI; Permit No. 80967C*

*Applicant: Michael Habel, Taylorsville, UT; Permit No. 81189C*

*Applicant: Jorge Vazquez, Homestead, FL; Permit No. 78078C*

*Applicant: Brian Spicer, Prosper, TX; Permit No. 70061C*

#### IV. Next Steps

If we issue permits to any of the applicants listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**. You may locate the notice announcing

the permit issuance date by searching <http://www.regulations.gov> for the permit number listed above in this document (e.g., 12345A).

#### V. Authority

We issue this notice under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and its implementing regulations.

#### 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-R8-ES-2018-N086;  
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#### Endangered and Threatened Species; Receipt of Recovery Permit Applications

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have received applications for permits to conduct activities intended to enhance the propagation or survival of endangered or threatened species under the Endangered Species Act. We invite the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on these applications. Before issuing any of the

requested permits, we will take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments on or before October 24, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** *Document availability and comment submission:* Submit requests for copies of the applications and related documents and submit any comments by one of the following methods. All requests and comments should specify the applicant name(s) and application number(s) (e.g., TXXXXXX).

- *Email:* [permitsr8es@fws.gov](mailto:permitsr8es@fws.gov).
- *U.S. Mail:* Daniel Marquez,

Endangered Species Program Manager, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 8, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2606, Sacramento, CA 95825.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel Marquez, via phone at 760-431-9440, via email at [permitsr8es@fws.gov](mailto:permitsr8es@fws.gov), or via the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY assistance.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on applications for permits under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The requested permits would allow the applicants to conduct activities intended to promote recovery of species that are listed as endangered or threatened under the ESA.

#### Background

With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits activities that constitute take

of listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activity. The ESA's definition of "take" includes such activities as pursuing, harassing, trapping, capturing, or collecting in addition to hunting, shooting, harming, wounding, or killing.

A recovery permit issued by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes that promote recovery or for enhancement of propagation or survival of the species. These activities often include such prohibited actions as capture and collection. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found in the Code of Federal Regulations 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.

#### Permit Applications Available for Review and Comment

Proposed activities in the following permit requests are for the recovery and enhancement of propagation or survival of the species in the wild. The ESA requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits. Accordingly, we invite local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies and the public to submit written data, views, or arguments with respect to these applications. The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are those supported by quantitative information or studies.

Application No.	Applicant, city, state	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
TE-082237	California State Parks, San Luis Obispo Coast District, San Simeon, California.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Morro shoulderband snail (Banded dune) (<i>Helminthoglypta walkeriana</i>).</li> <li>• Morro Bay kangaroo rat (<i>Dipodomys heermanni morroensis</i>).</li> </ul>	CA .....	Survey .....	Capture, handle, and release.	Renew.
TE-13703B	California Living Museum, Bakersfield, California.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Arroyo toad (arroyo southwestern) (<i>Anaxyrus californicus</i> (<i>Bufo microscaphus</i> c.)).</li> <li>• Mountain yellow-legged frog (southern California DPS) (<i>Rana muscosa</i>).</li> <li>• California tiger salamander (Sonoma County and Santa Barbara DPS) (<i>Ambystoma californiense</i>).</li> <li>• Blunt-nosed leopard lizard (<i>Gambelia silus</i>).</li> <li>• California condor (<i>Gymnogyps californianus</i>).</li> <li>• Riparian brush rabbit (<i>Sylvilagus bachmani riparius</i>).</li> </ul>	CA .....	Rehabilitation, public education, public display, captive propagation, research.	Collect and acquire injured and/or sick animals, captive rear, perform general husbandry, release healthy individuals, and retain animals unfit for reintroduction.	Renew.