

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review in the following office, by appointment:

Protected Resources Division (PRD), F/NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-4169 (503-230-5400).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be submitted to the Chief, PRD in Portland, OR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Koch (503-230-5424).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: WDFW requests a permit modification under the authority of section 10 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

Permit 1094 authorizes WDFW an annual take of adult and juvenile, endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, upper Columbia River (UCR) steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) associated with a hatchery supplementation program in the mid- to upper Columbia River Basin. Incidental takes of ESA-listed species resulting from WDFW hatchery operations and hatchery produced fish releases are also authorized by the permit. WDFW believes the artificial propagation of ESA-listed steelhead will benefit the species by enhancing the population, which is not currently able to naturally replace itself. For modification 1, WDFW requests an increase in the number of ESA-listed juvenile steelhead releases from the program in 1999 for scientific research and enhancement purposes, which may result in an increase in incidental takes of ESA-listed species. Also for modification 1, WDFW requests incidental takes of juvenile, endangered, UCR spring chinook salmon (*O. tshawytscha*) associated with the program. WDFW has provided a revised conservation plan designed to minimize and mitigate the potential increase in incidental takes of ESA-listed species. The revised conservation plan includes a strategy to manage adult returns. The increases in hatchery produced fish releases is requested to be valid in 1999 only. Takes of endangered, UCR spring chinook salmon are requested to be valid for the duration of the permit, which expires on May 31, 2003.

Those individuals requesting a hearing on this application should set out the specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in

the above application summary are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Dated: March 19, 1999.

Kevin Collins,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 031899C]

Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of applications for permits (1201, 1204, 1205, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1209, 1210, 1211, 1212, 1213); receipt of applications to modify permits (1038, 1048, 1050, 1060, 1131, 1141, 1166, 1181); and issuance of permits (1190, 1193).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following actions regarding permits for takes of endangered and threatened species for the purposes of scientific research and/or enhancement: NMFS has received permit applications from: Dr. Thane Wibbels, of the University of Alabama at Birmingham (TW-UAB) (1201), the East Bay Municipal Utility District in Orinda, CA (EBMUD) (1204),

Oregon Department of Environmental Quality in Portland, OR (ODEQ) (1205), United States Forest Service, Klamath National Forest in Fort Jones, CA (USFS) (1206), Camm Swift, of Arcadia, CA (SWIFT) (1207), Robert Leidy, of San Francisco, CA (LEIDY) (1208), Mr. Ken Alfieri, of Cypress Gardens, FL (KA-CG) (1209), Mr. John Ritgers, NMFS Northeast Region (NER) (1210), East Bay Regional Park District, in Oakland, CA (EBRPD) (1211), and the Fish Ecology Division of the Northwest Fisheries Science Center, NMFS at Seattle, WA (NWFSC) (1212, 1213); NMFS has received applications for modifications to existing permits from: Trihey & Associates, Inc., of Walnut Creek, CA (TRIHEY) (1038), Sonoma County Water Agency, in Santa Rosa, CA (SCWA) (1048), Entrix, Inc., in Walnut Creek, CA (ENTRIX) (1050), Simpson Timber Company, in Korb, CA (STC) (1060), the Port of Portland at Portland, OR (POP) (1131), the Public Utility District Number 2 of Grant County in Ephrata,

WA (PUD GC) (1141), Alice A Rich and Associates (AAR) San Anselmo, CA (1166), and Mendocino Redwood Company (MRC) in Capella, CA (1181); and NMFS has issued permits to Charles Karnella, of the Pacific Islands Area Office, NMFS Southwest Region (SWR-PIAO) (1190), and the Fish Passage Center, in Portland, OR (FPC) (1193).

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on any of the new applications or modification requests must be received on or before April 26, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The applications and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

For permit 1209: Protected Resources Division, F/SER3, 9721 Executive Center Dr., St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (813-570-5312).

For permits 1131, 1141, 1193, 1205, 1212, 1213: Protected Resources Division, F/NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-4169 (503-230-5400).

For permits 1038, 1048, 1050, 1060, 1166, 1181 1204, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1211: Protected Species Division, NMFS, 777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 325, Santa Rosa, CA 95404-6528 (707-575-6066).

For permits 1190, 1201, 1210: Office of Protected Resources, Endangered Species Division, F/PR3, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301-713-1401).

All documents may also be reviewed by appointment in the Office of Protected Resources, F/PR3, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For permit 1209: Terri Jordan, Silver Spring, MD (301-713-1401).

For permits 1190, 1201, 1210: Karen Salvini, Silver Spring, MD (301-713-1401).

For permits 1038, 1048, 1050, 1060, 1166, 1181 1204, 1206, 1207, 1208, 1211: Dan Logan, Protected Resources Division, Santa Rosa, CA (707-575-6053).

For permit 1193: Leslie Schaeffer, Portland, OR (503-230-5433).

For permits 1131, 1212, 1213: Robert Koch, Portland, OR (503-230-5424).

For permits 1141, 1205: Tom Lichatowich, Portland, OR (503-230-5438).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the ESA, is based on a finding that such permits/modifications: (1) Are applied for in

good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the subject of the permits; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits and modifications are issued in accordance with and are subject to the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531–1543) and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217–227).

Those individuals requesting a hearing on an application listed in this notice should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see ADDRESSES). The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in this application summary are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Species Covered in this Notice

The following species and evolutionarily significant units (ESU's) are covered in this notice:

1. Green turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), Hawksbill turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), Kemp's ridley turtle (*Lepidochelys kempi*), Leatherback turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*), Loggerhead turtle (*Caretta caretta*), Olive ridley sea turtle (*Lepidochelys olivacea*), Shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*).
2. Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): Snake River (SnR) spring/summer, SnR fall, Upper Columbia River (UCR) spring.
3. Coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*): Central California Coast (CCC), Southern Oregon/Northern California coast (SONCC).
4. Sockeye salmon (*Oncorhynchus nerka*): SnR.
5. Steelhead trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*): California Central Valley (CV), CCC, Lower Columbia River (LCR), SnR, Southern California coast (SoCC), South-Central California coast (SCCC), UCR.

To date, protective regulations for threatened LCR steelhead under section 4(d) of the ESA have not been promulgated by NMFS. This notice of receipt of applications requesting takes of LCR steelhead is issued as a precaution in the event that NMFS issues LCR steelhead protective regulations. The initiation of a 30-day public comment period on the applications, including their proposed takes of LCR steelhead, does not

presuppose the contents of the eventual protective regulations.

New Applications Received

TW-UAB (1201) requests a 2-year permit to authorize takes of juvenile green, Kemp's ridley, and loggerhead sea turtles in the estuaries of Alabama, while conducting studies to potentially identify specific foraging areas. TW-UAB proposes to: (1) Identify potential foraging areas by conducting sampling surveys, and measuring and tagging all captured turtles, (2) perform radio tracking on some of the turtles to determine short term movements, home range, and identify foraging areas, (3) collect samples of fecal and stomach materials in order to identify and document the diets of juvenile turtles, and (4) collect blood samples to estimate the sex ratio.

EBMUD (1204) requests a 5-year permit to authorize takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, steelhead associated with fish population, migration, growth studies, dietary studies, and spawning studies within the CCC steelhead ESU. The applicant is requesting the intentional killing of targeted ESA-listed juveniles for a dietary studies; direct mortalities of 120 CCC juvenile steelhead annually are requested.

ODEQ (1205) requests a 5-year permit to authorize annual takes of juvenile, threatened, SONCC coho salmon and juvenile, threatened, LCR steelhead associated with water quality assessment studies in western Oregon. ODEQ proposes to capture juvenile fish in the Rogue River Basin and tributaries of the LCR with backpack electrofishing equipment; anesthetize them; collect biological information; tag a subsample; and release them. Data collected from these studies will be valuable in assessing the productivity status of these streams and the effectiveness of measures being taken to restore fish populations. Indirect mortalities of ESA-listed juvenile fish associated with the scientific research activities are also requested.

USFS (1206) requests a 5-year permit to authorize takes of juvenile, threatened, coho salmon associated with presence/absence and migration studies within the SONCC coho salmon ESU.

SWIFT (1207) requests a 5-year permit to authorize takes of adult and juvenile, endangered, steelhead associated with presence/absence studies throughout the SoCC steelhead ESU, and threatened, steelhead associated with presence/absence studies throughout the CCC and SCCC steelhead ESUs.

LEIDY (1208) requests a 5-year permit to authorize takes of adult and juvenile,

threatened, steelhead associated with presence/absence surveys throughout the CV, CCC, SCCC steelhead ESUs, endangered, steelhead associated with presence/absence studies throughout the SoCC steelhead ESU, and threatened, coho salmon associated with presence/absence studies throughout the CCC coho salmon ESU.

KA-CG (1209) requests a 5-year permit to authorize maintenance of a population of six to eight shortnose sturgeon in a captive environment for educational purposes. This application meets Recovery Task 2.5 C concerning public education and raising public awareness of sturgeon issues.

NER (1210) requests a five-year research/enhancement permit to take listed green, Kemp's ridley, leatherback, and loggerhead sea turtles. The purpose of the activities will be to aid sick, injured, entangled, or stranded sea turtles through the activities of the Northeast Regional Stranding Network. The turtles will be collected opportunistically at sea and on coastal beaches from the Canadian border through Virginia. If possible, the turtles will be rehabilitated, tissue and blood sampled, tagged, and released in the area of collection; dead specimens will be used for scientific research or education.

EBRPD (1211) requests a 5-year permit to authorize takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, steelhead associated with presence/absence and migration studies within the CCC steelhead ESU. The applicant also requests minor takes of eggs from areas that are unsuitable for successful reproduction, to hatch the eggs and rear the juveniles in public school classrooms, and release the juveniles to their parent streams within the CCC steelhead ESU.

NWFSC (1212) requests a 5-year permit to authorize takes of juvenile, endangered, SnR sockeye salmon; juvenile, threatened, naturally produced and artificially propagated, SnR spring/summer chinook salmon; juvenile, threatened, SnR fall chinook salmon; juvenile, endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, UCR steelhead; juvenile, threatened, SnR steelhead; and juvenile, endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, UCR spring chinook salmon associated with four studies at the hydropower dams on the Snake and Columbia Rivers in the Pacific Northwest. The goal of Study 1 is to provide up-to-date survival estimates of juvenile salmonids as they migrate past McNary Dam on the Columbia River. The goal of Study 2 is to evaluate the specific trouble areas in

the juvenile fish bypass system at Lower Monumental Dam on the Snake River. The goal of Study 3 is to compare the performance of juvenile salmonids tagged with Sham radiotransmitters with juvenile salmonids tagged with passive integrated transponders (PIT) at Lower Granite Dam on the Snake River. The goal of Study 4 is to determine tailrace residence times of radio-tagged hatchery chinook salmon under varying operational conditions at Lower Monumental Dam and to identify spill conditions that utilize the smallest volumes of water to maximize fish passage efficiency at Ice Harbor Dam on the Snake River. The research will provide information that will be used to develop corrective measures to improve juvenile fish passage at the dams. ESA-listed juvenile fish are proposed to be captured, handled (examined or tagged), and released. ESA-listed juvenile fish indirect mortalities are also requested. The take authorization for Study 1 is requested to be valid for five years. The take authorization for Studies 2–4 is requested to be valid for 2 years.

NWFSC (1213) requests a 1-year permit to authorize takes of juvenile, endangered, SnR sockeye salmon; juvenile, threatened, naturally produced and artificially propagated, SnR spring/summer chinook salmon; juvenile, threatened, SnR fall chinook salmon; juvenile, endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, UCR steelhead; juvenile, threatened, SnR steelhead; juvenile, threatened, LCR steelhead; and juvenile, endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, UCR spring chinook salmon associated with seven studies at the hydropower dams on the Snake and Columbia Rivers in the Pacific Northwest. The goal of Study 1 is to evaluate the extended length bar screen at Little Goose Dam on the Snake River. The goal of Study 2 is to evaluate a prototype separator at Ice Harbor Dam. The goal of Study 3 is to establish biological design criteria for the fish passage facility at McNary Dam. The goal of Study 4 is to evaluate an orifice shelter, an outlet-flow control device, and methods of debris control at McNary Dam. The goal of Study 5 is to evaluate the modified extended-length bar screens at John Day Dam on the Columbia River. The goal of Study 6 is to evaluate the juvenile fish bypass system at John Day Dam. The goal of Study 7 is to evaluate the modified juvenile fish bypass system at the second powerhouse of Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River. The research will provide information that will be used to develop corrective measures to

improve juvenile fish passage at the dams. ESA-listed juvenile fish are proposed to be captured, handled (examined and fin-clipped or tagged with PITs or radiotransmitters), and released. ESA-listed juvenile fish indirect mortalities are requested. A lethal take of ESA-listed juvenile fish associated with Studies 5 and 7 are also requested.

Modification Requests Received

TRIHEY requests modification 1 to permit 1038 for authorization to include takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, steelhead associated with presence/absence studies, fish population and habitat studies, and genetic studies throughout the CCC and CV steelhead ESUs for the duration of the permit which expires on June 30, 2002.

SCWA requests modification 1 to permit 1048 for authorization to include takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, coho salmon associated with fish population and habitat studies throughout the Russian River Basin within the CCC coho ESU for the duration of the permit which expires on June 30, 2002.

ENTRIX requests modification 1 to permit 1050 for authorization to include takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, steelhead associated with fish population and habitat studies throughout the CCC steelhead ESU for the duration of the permit which expires on June 30, 2002.

STC requests modification 1 to permit 1060 for authorization to include takes of adult and juvenile, threatened, SONCC coho salmon associated with fish population, migration studies, and habitat studies in Little River Basin in Humboldt County, California for the duration of the permit which expires on June 30, 2003.

POP requests modification 1 to permit 1131 for authorization of an increase in the take of juvenile, threatened, naturally produced and artificially propagated, SnR spring/summer chinook salmon and juvenile, threatened, SnR fall chinook salmon associated with research designed to determine the presence and distribution of fish in shallow water habitats between the lower end of Hayden Island and the Sandy River delta on the Columbia River. An associated increase in ESA-listed juvenile fish indirect mortalities are also requested. Modification 1 is requested to be valid for the duration of the permit which expires on January 31, 2000.

PUD GC requests modification 1 to permit 1141 for authorization of annual takes of adult and juvenile UCR spring chinook salmon associated with PUD

GC's fish salvage operation and scientific research studies at Wanapum and Priest Rapids Dams located on the Columbia River in anticipation of a possible listing decision of this species by NMFS. PUD GC also requests takes of adult and juvenile, endangered, naturally produced and artificially propagated, UCR steelhead and adult and juvenile UCR spring chinook salmon associated with two additional research studies (studies 3 and 4). For Study 3, PUD GC proposes to evaluate the fish fauna in the Priest Rapids project area during 1999. Fish will be collected with electrofishing equipment, seines, gill nets and minnow traps; anesthetized; sampled for biological information; and released. Results from this study will be used to evaluate the status of listed and non-listed fish inhabiting the project area. For study 4, PUD GC proposes to assess the survival of juvenile, endangered, artificially propagated, UCR steelhead as they migrate past Wanapum and Priest Rapids Dams. Fish will be collected with dip nets at dam gateways, anesthetized, tagged with radio tags, released downstream, and tracked electronically. The results from this study will provide dam operators with valuable information on the survival of ESA-listed steelhead in the UCR. Juvenile fish indirect mortalities associated with the proposed activities are also requested. Study 4 is requested to be valid for the duration of the permit which expires on December 31, 2002.

MRC requests modification 1 to permit 1181 for authorization to include takes of juvenile, threatened, coho salmon associated with fish migration studies in several watersheds within the CCC coho salmon ESU for the duration of the permit which expires on June 30, 2004.

Permits Issued

Notice was published on January 4, 1999 (64 FR 148) that SWR-PIAO had requested a 5-year research permit. Permit 1190 was issued on March 8, 1999, and authorizes takes of loggerhead, green, hawksbill, leatherback, and olive ridley sea turtles in the Pacific Basin associated with studies to determine take rates of sea turtles incidental to the Hawaiian longline fishery, and to determine the fate of sea turtles released alive after incidental capture. Permit 1190 expires March 31, 2004.

Notice was published on February 2, 1999 (64 FR 5030), that FPC had requested a 5-year research permit. Permit 1193 was issued on March 12, 1999 and authorizes takes of juvenile, endangered, SnR sockeye

salmon; juvenile, threatened, SnR fall chinook salmon; juvenile, threatened, artificially propagated and naturally produced, SnR spring/summer chinook salmon; and juvenile, endangered, artificially propagated and naturally produced, UCR steelhead associated with the Smolt Monitoring Program (SMP). The objective of the SMP is to generate information on the migrational characteristics of various salmon and steelhead stocks in the Columbia River Basin, to provide advice on the implementation of flow and spill measures to improve fish passage conditions in the Snake and Columbia Rivers, to provide a long-term consistent database for year-to-year comparisons, and to monitor gas bubble trauma as required by the states' water quality agencies. Permit 1193 expires on December 31, 2003.

Dated: March 19, 1999.

Kevin Collins,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Marine Mammals; File No. 932-1489

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce and Office of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Interior.

ACTION: Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), Office of Protected Resources (OPR), Marine Mammal Health and Stranding Response Program, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 has applied in due form for a permit to take various marine mammal species for scientific research and enhancement.

DATES: Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before April 26, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment, see "Address Information" under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or by other electronic media.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sara Shapiro or Ruth Johnson, 301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 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.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222.23), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*).

NMFS/OPR/MMHSRP (File No. 932-1489) requests authorization to oversee the collecting, preserving, labeling, and transporting of all species of marine mammal cadavers or tissue and fluid samples for physical, chemical, or biological analyses, import, and export, and the taking of stranded or distressed endangered or threatened marine mammals, and the salvage of specimens from dead threatened or endangered marine mammals. The animals for which they are requesting authorization include all species of the Orders Cetacea, Pinnipedia, Sirenia, and polar bears (*Ursus maritimus*), sea otters (*Enhydra lutris*), and marine otters (*Lontra felina*).

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Address Information

The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4001);

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221);

Regional Administrator, Northeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, One Blackburn Dr., Gloucester, MA 01930-2298 (978/281-9250);

Regional Administrator, Southeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (727/570-5301);

Regional Administrator, Northwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0020 (206/526-6150); and

Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 2570 Dole St., Room 106, Honolulu, HI 96822-2396 (808/943-1221).

Dated: March 3, 1999.

Ann D. Terbush,

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

Dated: March 18, 1999.

Margaret Tieger,

Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals; File No. 77-1#73_967

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.