

mission, and goals are to achieve full participation by Minority Serving Institutions (MSI) in order to advance the development of human potential, to strengthen the Nation's capacity to provide high-quality education, and to increase opportunities for MSIs to participate in and benefit from Federal Financial Assistance programs. DOC/NOAA encourages all applicants to include meaningful participation of MSIs. Institutions eligible to be considered HBCU/MSIs are listed at the following Internet website: <http://www.ed.gov/offices/OCR/99minin.html>.

(10) For awards receiving funding for the collection or production of geospatial data (e.g., GIS data layers), the recipient will comply to the maximum extent practicable with E.O. 12906, Coordinating Geographic Data Acquisition and Access, The National Spatial Data Infrastructure, 59 FR 17671 (April 11, 1994). The award recipient must document all new geospatial data collected or produced using the standard developed by the Federal Geographic Data Center and make that standardized documentation electronically accessible. The standard can be found at the following Internet website: (<http://www.fgdc.gov/standards/standards/html>).

Classification

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comments are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for this notice concerning grants, benefits, and contracts (See 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required for purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

This notice contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Sea Grant Budget Form, 90-4, and Sea Grant Summary Form, 90-2, have been approved under Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 0648-0362, with estimated times per response of 20 and 15 minutes respectively. The use of Standard Forms 424, 424b, and SF-LLL have been approved by OMB under the respective control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0040, and 0348-0046. The response time estimates above include the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments on these estimates or any other aspect of these collections to the National Sea Grant

College Program, R/SG, NOAA, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (Attention: Francis M. Schuler). Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Dated: June 18, 2001.

Louisa Koch,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Dated: June 11, 2001.

Cathleen Short,

Assistant Director—Fisheries and Habitat Conservation, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 051801C]

Marine Mammals; Permit No. 821-1588-00

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Texas A&M University, Department of Marine Biology, P.O. Box 1675, Galveston, Texas 77551 [Principal Investigator: Dr. Randall W. Davis] has been issued a permit to take sperm whales (*Physeter macrocephalus*), various small cetacean species, and Weddell seals (*Leptonychotes weddelli*) 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 and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376;

Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432; phone (727)570-5301; fax (727)570-5320.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 20, 2000, notice was

published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 69737) that a request for a scientific research permit to take marine mammals had been submitted by the above-named organization. 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). 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 the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: June 18, 2001.

Ann D. Terbush,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Air Force

GPS L2/L5 Public Forum—Information on the New Global Positioning System (GPS) L2 and L5 Civil Signals

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice, announcement of opportunity to attend.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a Global Positioning System (GPS) L2/L5 CivilSignal GPS L2/L5 Public Forum on June 29, 2001 in Washington, DC. The Department of Transportation, in cooperation with the GPS Joint Program Office (JPO), will provide information on the new civil signals being planned for the GPS L2 frequency (1227.60 MHz) and the new GPS L5 (1176.45 MHz) frequency. The information presented will be important to those in the government and industry involved in the development, production, support or use of satellite navigation products and services for the civil and military users. No new GPS JPO procurements are being announced or are anticipated in the near term for this work.

The agenda will be divided into a morning session (9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.) for the GPS Program overview and L2

and L5 overview presentations, and an afternoon session (1 p.m. to 4 p.m.) for technical presentations on both new signals. The morning agenda includes: Overview of GPS Modernization Program; the New L2 Civil Signal; the New L5 Civil Signal and the GPS JPO Interface Control Document (ICD) Review and Approval Process. The afternoon agenda includes: Technical Description of the Planned L2 Design; Laboratory Implementation of the New L2 Civil Signal; Technical Description of the Planned L5 Signal Design. Copies of the April 16, 2001 "NAVSTAR GPS Space Segment/User Segment L5 Interfaces (ICD-GPS-705)," the May 31, 2001 "Pre-Proposed Interface Revision Notice to ICD-GPS-200C for L2 Civil (L2C) Signal (PPIRN-200C-007)" and the briefing charts to the May 2, 2001 "GPS L2 and L5 Civil Signal Industry Day" presentations are now available on the GPS JPO public website https://gps.losangeles.af.mil/gpslibrary/2000_public/2100_html/documents.html.

This event will be held in the FAA Auditorium, 800 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20591. The Industry Day conference is unclassified and formal visit requests are not necessary, but for security purposes, the GPS JPO must provide a list of all attendees to the FAA not later than June 22, 2001. Therefore, attendees should provide attendance notification to Veronique Benjamins (SAIC), phone (310) 363-6515, fax (310) 363-1581 by June 20, 2001. To expedite check-in security procedures, all attendees should provide e-mail notification to Veronique.Benjamins@LOSANGELES.AF.MIL. Please include the words, "29 June 2001 GPS L2/L5 Civil Signal Public Forum Attendee" in the subject line of your e-mail. The FAA Auditorium allows seating for 175 attendees and seating will be on a first come basis. The Government will not pay for any costs associated with attending this briefing or for any information. Picture identification will be required for admittance.

ADDRESSES: JPO Point of Contact: SMC/CZC, 2420 Vela Way, Suite 1467, El Segundo, CA 90245-4659, ATTN: Lieutenant Commander Richard Fontana, USCG.

DATES: If you intend to participate in these meetings, please submit your e-mail notification not later than June 21, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Veronique Benjamins, (310) 363-6515, or Lieutenant Commander Richard Fontana, USCG, (310) 363-1703, GPS

Deputy Program Manager, Department of Transportation.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Global Positioning System employs a constellation of 24 satellites and associated ground stations to provide continuously transmitted world-wide positioning, navigation, and timing signals for use with appropriately configured GPS user equipment. The current generation GPS space vehicles transmit signals at the L1 and L2 frequencies. In the future, new civil signals will be transmitted on the L2 and L5 frequencies. The international civilian and military communities employ the dual use Global Positioning System.

Janet A. Long,

Air Force Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Summer Study will meet in closed session August 13-24, 2001, at the Beckman Center, Irvine, CA. At these meetings, the Defense Science Board will discuss interim findings and recommendations resulting from two ongoing Task Force activities: Defense Science & Technology (S&T) and Precision Targeting.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Board will address the issues involved in assuring that the U.S. continues to gain access to and develop technology from which to gain military advantage. They will consider future technologies that should be developed and exploited for military applications, particularly potential technologies that provide the U.S. military an asymmetric advantage in conflict, in deployment, and at home; the appropriate mix of in-house, contractor, university and commercial providers of basic and applied research and of advanced development; how DoD can leverage technology that is under

development and produced globally in commercial industry, as well as that which is being discovered and demonstrated in the S&T programs funded by both other U.S. agencies and other nations; the situation of and the contribution of the DoD laboratories in this changing world; and how to maintain excellence in in-house S&T endeavors.

The Board will also examine the full range of the precision weapons targeting in tactical military operations, from target execution, location, and identification through mission execution and damage assessment. Specifically, all planned precision weapons programs and procurements will be examined to determine the degree to which these weapons are compatible with targeting requirements for different target classes; the degree to which existing and planned reconnaissance and surveillance assets are used to effectively develop target sets, real time targeting data and perform battle damage assessment under varied degrees of cover, concealment and deception; our ability to identify and precisely locate targets while minimizing false alarms using automatic target recognition techniques and precision location technologies; and our ability to attack moving targets.

In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, P.L. No. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that these Defense Science Board meetings, concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1), and that accordingly these meetings will be closed to the public.

Dated: June 14, 2001.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Advisory Committee Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board (DSB) Task Force on E-Commerce will meet in closed session on September 25-26, 2001, and October 23, 2001, at SAIC, Inc., 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA. This Task Force will review the DoD's current implementation status of e-commerce tools and make any appropriate