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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, written comments must be received on or before June 30, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Ecological Services, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act. Documents will be available for public inspection, by appointment only, during normal business hours at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 500 Gold Avenue SW., Room 4102, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chief, Endangered Species Division, (505) 248-6920.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Permit No. TE-069360

*Applicant:* Robert Forrest, Mesa, Arizona

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for the following species within Arizona: southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), cactus ferruginous pygmy owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*), Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*), northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*), California condor (*Gymnogyps californianus*),

Sonoran pronghorn (*Antilocapra americana sonoriensis*), humpback chub (*Gila cypha*), Virgin River chub (*Gila robusta semidnuda*), Yaqui chub (*Gila purpurea*), Colorado pikeminnow (*Ptychocheilus lucius*), desert pupfish (*Cyprinodon macularius*), razorback sucker (*Xyrauchen texanus*), Gila (incl. Yaqui) topminnow (*Poeciliopsis occidentalis*), Gila trout (*Oncorhynchus gilae*), and woundfin (*Plagopterus argentissimus*).

##### Permit No. TE-833868

*Applicant:* URS Corporation, Tucson, Arizona

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for the following species within Arizona: Colorado pikeminnow (*Ptychocheilus lucius*), desert pupfish (*Cyprinodon macularius*), and Gila (incl. Yaqui) topminnow (*Poeciliopsis occidentalis*).

##### Permit No. TE-045236

*Applicant:* SWCA Environmental, Inc., Phoenix, Arizona

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) within New Mexico.

##### Permit No. TE-041868

*Applicant:* Kevin Hamann, Tijeras, New Mexico.

Applicant request an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for cactus ferruginous pygmy owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*) within Arizona.

##### Permit No. TE-069320

*Applicant:* KBA EnviroScience, Inc., Lewisville, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys and baiting out activities for the American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) within Oklahoma.

##### Permit No. TE-799099

*Applicant:* Eagle Ecological Services, Inc., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for least tern (*Sterna antillarum*) within New Mexico and Texas.

##### Permit No. TE-020844

*Applicant:* Engineering and Environmental Consultants, Inc., Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/

absence surveys for Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*) within Arizona.

##### Permit No. TE-069849

*Applicant:* Phase One Technologies, LLC, Houston, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to allow presence/absence surveys for the following species within Texas: red-cockaded woodpecker (*Picoides borealis*), Attwater's greater prairie-chicken (*Tympanuchus cupido attwateri*), whooping crane (*Grus americana*), brown pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*), piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*), Eskimo curlew (*Numenius borealis*), and least tern (*Sterna antillarum*).

##### Permit No. TE-069848

*Applicant:* Ross Rasmussen, Plano, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to allow presence/absence surveys for golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*) and black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*) within Texas; northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) within Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas; and southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, and California.

##### Permit No. TE-069847

*Applicant:* Muukui-ci Cultural and Environmental Services, LLC., Aztec, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to allow presence/absence surveys for southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Arizona, New Mexico, Utah, and Colorado.

##### Permit No. TE-038608

*Applicant:* USGS, Biological Research Division, Sonoran Desert Field Station, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for razorback sucker (*Xyrauchen texanus*) within Arizona.

##### Permit No. TE-068896

*Applicant:* Cynthia Baker, Austin, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to allow presence/absence surveys and nest monitoring for golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*) and black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*) within Texas.

**Permit No. TE-022190**

*Applicant:* Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to allow presence/absence surveys for cactus ferruginous pygmy owl (*Glaucidium brasilianum cactorum*) within Arizona.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*

Dated: May 6, 2003.

**Susan MacMullin,**

*Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****Receipt of Application of Endangered Species Recovery Permits**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** We announce our receipt of an application to conduct certain activities pertaining to scientific research and enhancement of survival of endangered species.

**DATES:** Written comments on this request for a permit must be received June 30, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the Assistant Regional Director-Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, PO Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225-0486; telephone 303-236-7400, facsimile 303-236-0027.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above; telephone 303-236-7400.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following applicant has requested issuance of a scientific research and enhancement of survival permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

**TE-070027**

*Applicant:* Renae Held, Tern and Plover Conservation Partnership, University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska.

The applicant requests a permit to take Interior least terns (*Sterna antillarum athalassos*) and piping plovers (*Charadrius melodus*) in conjunction with recovery activities throughout the species' ranges for the purpose of enhancing their survival and recovery.

**TE-071662**

*Applicant:* Fred Lindzey, Laramie, Wyoming.

The applicant requests a permit to take Wyoming toads (*Bufo baxteri*) in conjunction with recovery activities throughout the species' range for the purposes of enhancing their survival and recovery.

Dated: April 22, 2003.

**John A. Blankenship,**

*Regional Director, Denver, Colorado.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****Receipt of Application for Endangered Species Permit: Permits for Scientific Purposes, Enhancement of Propagation or Survival i.e., Recovery Permits), and Interstate Commerce Permits**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of application for endangered species permit.

**SUMMARY:** The following applicants have applied for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

**DATES:** Written data or comments on these applications must be received, at the address given below, by June 30, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30345 (Attn: Victoria Davis,

Permit Biologist). Telephone: 404/679-4176; Facsimile: 404/679-7081.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Victoria Davis, Telephone: 404/679-4176; Facsimile: 404/679-7081.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** If you wish to comment, you may submit comments by any one of several methods. You may mail comments to the Service's Regional Office (*see ADDRESS*). You may also comment via the internet to "victoria\_davis@fws.gov." Please submit comments over the internet as an ASCII file avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption. Please also include your name and return address in your internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the Service that we have received your internet message, contact us directly at either telephone number listed above (*see FURTHER INFORMATION*). Finally, you may hand deliver comments to the Service office listed below (*see ADDRESS*). Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the administrative record. We will honor such requests to the extent allowable by law. There may also be other circumstances in which we would withhold from the administrative record a respondent's identity, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. However, we will not consider anonymous comments. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

**TE067738-0**

*Applicant:* Lowry Park Zoo, Jennifer Elizabeth Hackshaw, Tampa, Florida.

The applicant requests authorization to receive up to twelve injured and disabled Key Deer (*Odocoileus virginianus clavium*) for veterinary treatment and rehabilitation. The Key Deer will be identified by personnel at and transferred from the Key Deer National Wildlife Refuge, Monroe County, Florida. They will be housed at the Lowry Park Zoo, Hillsborough County, Florida.

*Applicant:* J.W. Jones Ecological Research Center, Ichauway, Inc., Newton, Georgia, TE066980-0.