

OMB for a revision in compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. Specifically, the collection involves the submission of data concerning pipeline security incidents.

DATES: Send your comments by April 25, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be emailed to TSAPRA@dhs.gov or delivered to the TSA PRA Officer, Office of Information Technology (OIT), TSA-11, Transportation Security Administration, 601 South 12th Street, Arlington, VA 20598-6011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christina A. Walsh at the above address, or by telephone (571) 227-2062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The ICR documentation is available at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Therefore, in preparation for OMB review and approval of the following information collection, TSA is soliciting comments to—

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed information requirement is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Information Collection Requirement

OMB Control Number 1652-0055; Pipeline Operator Security Information. Under the Aviation and Transportation Security Act (ATSA) (Pub. L. 107-71, 115 Stat. 597 (November 19, 2001)) and delegated authority from the Secretary of Homeland Security, TSA has broad responsibility and authority for “security in all modes of transportation * * * including security responsibilities * * * over modes of transportation that are exercised by the Department of Transportation.” In executing its responsibility for modal

security, TSA produced the Pipeline Security Guidelines in December 2010.

As the lead Federal agency for pipeline security, TSA desires to be notified of all incidents which are indicative of a deliberate attempt to disrupt pipeline operations or activities that could be precursors to such an attempt. The Pipeline Security Guidelines encourage pipeline operators to notify the Transportation Security Operations Center (TSOC) via phone at 866-615-5150 or email at TSOC.ST@dhs.gov as soon as possible if any of the following incidents occurs or if there is other reason to believe that a terrorist incident may be planned or may have occurred:

- Explosions or fires of a suspicious nature affecting pipeline systems, facilities, or assets.
- Actual or suspected attacks on pipeline systems, facilities, or assets.
- Bomb threats or weapons of mass destruction (WMD) threats to pipeline systems, facilities, or assets.
- Theft of pipeline company vehicles, uniforms, or employee credentials.
- Suspicious persons or vehicles around pipeline systems, facilities, assets, or right-of-way.
- Suspicious photography or possible surveillance of pipeline systems, facilities, or assets.
- Suspicious phone calls from people asking about the vulnerabilities or security practices of a pipeline system, facility, or asset operation.
- Suspicious individuals applying for security-sensitive positions in the pipeline company.
- Theft or loss of Sensitive Security Information (SSI) (detailed pipeline maps, security plans, etc.).
- Actual or suspected cyber-attacks that could impact pipeline Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA) or enterprise associated IT systems.

When contacting the TSOC, the Guidelines request pipeline operators to provide as much of the following information as possible:

- Name and contact information (email address, telephone number).
- The time and location of the incident, as specifically as possible.
- A description of the incident or activity involved.
- Who has been notified and what actions have been taken.
- The names and/or descriptions of persons involved or suspicious parties and license plates as appropriate.

In addition to the reporting of security incident data to the TSOC, the Pipeline Security Guidelines previously included recommendations for the voluntary submission of pipeline operator security

manager contact information to TSA. See 74 FR 37723 (July 29, 2009) and 75 FR 49943 (August 16, 2010). TSA is revising the collection of information and will no longer collect the security manager contact information; however, the agency will continue to collect information on the reporting of security incident data to TSOC.

TSA expects reporting of pipeline security incidents will occur on an irregular basis. TSA estimates that approximately 30 incidents will be reported annually, requiring a maximum of 30 minutes to collect, review, and submit event information. The potential burden to the public is estimated to be 15 hours (30 incidents × 30 minutes = 15 hours).

Dated: February 22, 2016.

Christina A. Walsh,

TSA Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of Information Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

**[FWS-R8-ES-2016-N028;
FXES11130800000-167-FF08E00000]**

Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comment.

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 (Act) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing recovery permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species.

DATES: Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before March 28, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Endangered Species Program Manager, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 8, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2606, Sacramento, CA 95825 (telephone: 916-414-6464; fax: 916-414-6486). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Marquez, Fish and Wildlife

Biologist; see **ADDRESSES** (telephone: 760-431-9440; fax: 760-431-9624).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following applicants have applied for scientific research permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). We seek review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies and the public on the following permit requests.

Applicants

Permit No. TE-157221

Applicant: UC Berkeley, Berkeley, California

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture, measure, handle, and release) the giant kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys ingens*) in conjunction with surveys and research in the Carrizo Plain National Monument, San Luis Obispo County, California, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-843381

Applicant: California Department of Parks and Recreation, Mendocino, California

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (harass/harm while conducting habitat restoration activities) the Behren's silverspot butterfly (*Speyeria zerene behrensii*); and take (harass by survey, and harass/harm while conducting habitat restoration activities) the Point Arena mountain beaver (*Aplodontia rufa nigra*) in conjunction with survey and restoration activities in California State lands within Mendocino and Sonoma Counties for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-23162B

Applicant: Eric L. Herman, Cochise, Arizona

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (harass by survey and conduct nest monitoring) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in conjunction with survey activities throughout the range of the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-86356B

Applicant: SeaWorld San Diego, San Diego, California

The applicant requests a new permit to take (perform rescue operations, capture, handle, collect, transport, rehabilitate, mark/tag, return to wild, display for educational purposes,

perform veterinarian care, and euthanize) the green sea turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), leatherback sea turtle (*Dermochelys coriacea*), loggerhead sea turtle (North Pacific Ocean Distinct Population Segment (DPS)) (*Caretta caretta*), Olive Ridley sea turtle (*Lepidochelys olivacea*), and Hawksbill sea turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) in conjunction with stranded sea turtle operations, research, and enhancement of wild populations throughout the range of the species in California, Oregon, and Washington, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-837760

Applicant: Kendall H. Osborne, Riverside, California

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (harass by survey, capture, mark, and perform telemetry) the Casey's June beetle (*Dinacoma caseyi*); and take (harass by survey, captive rear, and handle throughout the lifecycle) the Laguna Mountains skipper (*Pyrgus ruralis lagunae*) in conjunction with survey activities throughout the range of the species for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-86378B

Applicant: Thomas Gast & Associates Environmental Consultants, Arcata, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, perform biological sampling, capture, handle, and release) the tidewater goby (*Eucyclogobius newberryi*) in conjunction with survey activities in Humboldt County, California, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-018909

Applicant: Kelly M. Rios, Brea, California

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (harass by pursuit) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) and El Segundo blue butterfly (*Euphilotes battoides allyni*); and take (harass by capture, handle, and release) the San Bernardino Merriam's kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys merriami parvus*) in conjunction with survey activities throughout the range of the species for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-045994

Applicant: U.S. Geological Survey, San Diego, California

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (harass by capture, transport, hold in captivity, propagate, and translocate) the mountain yellow-legged frog (southern California DPS) (*Rana muscosa*), in conjunction with research activities in Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino Counties, California, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-86461B

Applicant: Cirrus Ecological Solutions, LC, Logan, UT

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey by pursuit) the Mount Charleston blue butterfly (*Plebejus shasta charlestonensis*) in conjunction with survey activities in Clark County, Nevada, for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-072650

Applicant: Jennifer C. Michaud-Laired, Sebastopol, California

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (harass by survey, capture, handle, and release) the California freshwater shrimp (*Syncaris pacifica*) in Sonoma, Marin, and Napa Counties, California; and take (survey, capture, handle, and release) the California tiger salamander (Santa Barbara County and Sonoma County DPS) (*Ambystoma californiense*) in Sonoma County, California, in conjunction with surveys and demographic studies for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-825573

Applicant: Brian L. Cypher, Bakersfield, California

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture, measure, sex, weigh, ear-tag, radio-collar, and collect biological samples) the San Joaquin kit fox (*Vulpes macrotis mutica*); take (capture, handle, mark, passive integrated transponder (PIT) tag, attach/remove radio transmitters, take biological samples, hold in captivity, and release) the blunt-nosed leopard lizard (*Gambelia silus*), Fresno kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys nitratoideis exilis*), giant kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys ingens*), and Tipton kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys nitratoideis nitratoideis*); take (capture, handle, mark, take biological samples, and release) the Buena Vista Lake shrew (*Sorex ornatus relictus*); and remove/reduce to possession *Opuntia basilaris* var. *treleasei* (*O. treleasei*) (Bakersfield cactus) from Federal lands in

conjunction with surveys and research throughout the range of the species for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-48210A

Applicant: Area West Environmental, Inc., Orangevale, California

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (harass by survey, capture, handle, release, collect adult vouchers, and collect branchiopod cysts) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), longhorn fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta longiantenna*), San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*), Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus woottoni*), and vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*); and take (harass by survey, capture, handle, and release) the California tiger salamander ((central DPS, Santa Barbara County DPS, and Sonoma County DPS) (*Ambystoma californiense*)) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-56889A

Applicant: Melissa Odell, Oakhurst, California

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (harass by survey, capture, handle, release, collect adult vouchers, and collect branchiopod cysts) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), longhorn fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta longiantenna*), San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*), Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus woottoni*), and vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*); and take (harass by survey, capture, handle, and release) the California tiger salamander ((central DPS, Santa Barbara County DPS, and Sonoma County DPS) (*Ambystoma californiense*)) in conjunction with surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit No. TE-36109B

Applicant: Lenny Grimaldo, San Francisco, California

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture, handle, collect, and release) the delta smelt (*Hypomesus transpacificus*) in conjunction with research activities in the San Francisco Bay Estuary in California for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Public Comments

We invite public review and comment on each of these recovery permit applications. Comments and materials we receive 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.

Angela Picco,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific Southwest Region, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2016-N043; FXIA16710900000-156-FF09A30000]

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) prohibit 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 March 28, 2016.

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-2016-N043.

- *U.S. mail or hand-delivery:* Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2016-N043; 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); (703) 358-2281 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an email or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).