

A. Endangered Species

Applicant: John Warren, Austin, TX; PRT-47139C

The applicant requests a permit to import one male sport-hunted cape mountain zebra (*Equus zebra zebra*) from a captive herd in Ezulu Game Reserve, South Africa, for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

Applicant: Craig B. Stanford, South Pasadena, CA; PRT-47036C

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

Applicant: 777 Ranch, Inc., Hondo, TX; PRT-017404

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for barasingha (*Cervus duvaucelii*), Eld's Brow-antler deer (*Cervus eldii*), red lechwe (*Kobus lechwe*), and Arabian oryx (*Oryx leucoryx*) to enhance species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Houston Zoo, Inc., Houston, TX; PRT-44006C

The applicant requests a permit to export samples of blue-billed curassow (*Crax alberti*) to the Museum of Zoology, University of Sao Paulo, Brazil, for scientific research. This notification is for a single export.

Single Trophy

The applicant requests a permit to import a sport-hunted trophy of one 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: Fred Jack Perret, Collierville, TN; PRT-47953C

B. Marine Mammals

Applicant: Stephen Kuhn-Hendricks, Tallahassee, FL; PRT-27209C

The applicant requests a permit to acquire manatee mandibles (*Trichechus manatus*) from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be

conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Mote Marine Laboratory, Sarasota, Florida; PRT-100361

The applicant requests authorization to renew and amend their permit to take Florida manatees (*T. m. latirostris*) and import manatees (*Trichechus manatus*, *T. m. latirostris*, *T. m. manatus*, *T. inunguis*, and *T. senegalensis*) and dugongs (*Dugong dugon*) for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

IV. Next Steps

If the Service decides to issue permits to any of the applicants listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**. You may locate the **Federal Register** notice announcing the permit issuance date by searching in www.regulations.gov under the permit number listed in this document.

V. Public Comments

You may submit your comments and materials concerning this notice by one of the methods listed in **ADDRESSES**. We will not consider comments sent by email or fax or to an address not listed in **ADDRESSES**.

If you submit a comment via <http://www.regulations.gov>, your entire comment, including any personal identifying information, will be posted on the Web site. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

We will post all hardcopy comments on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

VI. Authorities

Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*);

Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*).

Joyce Russell,

Government Information Specialist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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International Wildlife Conservation Council Establishment; Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) is establishing and seeking nominations for the International Wildlife Conservation Council (Council). The Council will provide advice to the Federal Government, through the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary), on increasing public awareness domestically regarding the conservation, wildlife law enforcement, and economic benefits that result from U.S. citizens traveling to foreign nations to engage in hunting. Additionally, the Council shall advise the Secretary on the benefits international hunting has on foreign wildlife and habitat conservation, anti-poaching and illegal wildlife trafficking programs, and other ways in which international hunting benefits human populations in these areas.

DATES: Comments regarding the establishment of this Council must be submitted no later than November 24, 2017. Nominations for the Council must be submitted by *December 8, 2017*.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments and/or nominations by any of the following methods:

- Mail or hand-carry nominations to Joshua Winchell, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Refuge System, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803; or
- Email nominations to: joshua_winchell@fws.gov

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joshua Winchell, Council Designated Federal Officer, by U.S. mail at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Wildlife Refuge System, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803; by telephone at (703) 358-2639; or by email at joshua_winchell@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council is established under the authority of the Secretary and regulated by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). The duties of the Council are solely advisory and include, but are not limited to: Developing a plan for public engagement and education on the benefits of international hunting;

reviewing and making recommendations for changes, when needed, on all Federal programs, and/or regulations, to ensure support of hunting as: (a) An enhancement to foreign wildlife conservation and survival, and (b) an effective tool to combat illegal trafficking and poaching; recommending strategies to benefit the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's permit office in receiving timely country data and information so as to remove barriers that impact consulting with range states; recommending removal of barriers to the importation into the United States of legally hunted wildlife; ongoing review of import suspension/bans and providing recommendations that seek to resume the legal trade of those items, where appropriate; reviewing seizure and forfeiture actions/practices, and providing recommendations for regulations that will lead to a reduction of unwarranted actions; reviewing the Endangered Species Act's foreign listed species and interaction with the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna, with the goal of eliminating regulatory duplications; and recommending methods for streamlining/expediting the process of import permits.

The Council will meet approximately two times per year. The Secretary will appoint members and their alternates to the Council to serve up to a 3-year term. The Council will not exceed 18 discretionary members and 4 ex officio members.

Ex officio members will include:

- Secretary of the Interior or designated DOI representatives; and
- Secretary of State or designated Department of State representatives.

The remaining members will be selected from among, but not limited to, the entities listed below. These members must be senior-level representatives of their organizations and/or have the ability to represent their designated constituency.

- Wildlife and habitat conservation/management organizations;
- U.S. hunters actively engaged in international and/or domestic hunting conservation;

- The firearms or ammunition manufacturing industry;
- Archery and/or hunting sports industry; and
- Tourism, outfitter, and/or guide industries related to international hunting.

Nominations should include a resume providing an adequate description of the nominee's qualifications, including information that would enable DOI to make an informed decision regarding meeting the membership requirements of the Council and to permit DOI to contact a potential member.

Members of the Council serve without compensation. However, while away from their homes or regular places of business, Council and subcommittee members engaged in Council or subcommittee business that the DFO approves may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5703, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in Federal Government service.

Public Disclosure of Comments: 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.

Certification Statement: I hereby certify that the International Wildlife Conservation Council is necessary and is in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed on the Department of the Interior 43 U.S.C. 1457, under the provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742a–742j), and other Acts applicable to specific bureaus.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2.

Dated: November 3, 2017.

Ryan K. Zinke,

Secretary, Department of the Interior.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Notice of Availability; Florida Trustee Implementation Group Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Draft Phase V.2 Restoration Plan and Supplemental Environmental Assessment; Florida Coastal Access Project

AGENCY: Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, the National Environmental Policy Act, the *Deepwater Horizon* Oil Spill Final Programmatic Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan and Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (Final PDARP/PEIS), and the resulting Consent Decree, the Federal and State natural resource trustee agencies for the Florida Trustee Implementation Group (Florida TIG) have prepared a Draft Phase V.2 Restoration Plan and Supplemental Environmental Assessment (Draft Phase V.2 RP/SEA). The Draft Phase V.2 RP/SEA supplements the 2016 Final Phase V Early Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment (Final Phase V ERP/EA) and describes and proposes the second phase of the Florida Coastal Access Project intended to continue the process of restoring natural resources and services injured or lost as a result of the *Deepwater Horizon* oil spill, which occurred on or about April 20, 2010, in the Gulf of Mexico.

DATES: The Florida TIG will consider public comments received on or before December 8, 2017.

Public Meeting: The Florida TIG has scheduled a public meeting to facilitate public review and comment on the Draft Phase V.2 RP/SEA. Both written and verbal comments will be taken at the public meeting. The Florida TIG will hold an open house followed by a public meeting. The public meeting will include a presentation of the Draft Phase V.2 RP/SEA. The public meeting schedule is as follows:

| Date | Time | Location |
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| November 16, 2017 | 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.: Open house—6:30 to 8:00 p.m.: Public meeting (presentations and discussion). | Robert M. Moore Administration Building, 1000 Cecil G. Costin Sr. Blvd., Port St. Joe, FL 32456. |

ADDRESSES: *Obtaining Documents:* You may download the Draft Phase V.2 RP/SEA at any of the following sites:

- <http://www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov>.
- <http://www.doi.gov/deepwaterhorizon>.

- <http://dep.state.fl.us/deepwaterhorizon/default.htm>.

Alternatively, you may request a CD of the Draft Phase V.2 RP/SEA (see **FOR**