

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of decision and availability of decision documents.

SUMMARY: Between April 21, 2004, and May 31, 2005, the Pacific Region and California/Nevada Operations Office of the Fish and Wildlife Service (encompassing Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Hawaii, California, and Nevada) issued 14 permits in response to applications for incidental take of threatened and endangered species, pursuant to sections 10(a)(1)(B) and 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). Copies of the permits and associated decision documents are available upon request.

ADDRESSES: Documents are available from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon

97232; facsimile (503) 231-6243. Charges for copying, shipping, and handling may apply.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you would like copies of any of the documents cited in this notice, please contact Shelly Sizemore, Administrative Assistant, at telephone (503) 231-6241.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 9 of the Act and Federal regulations prohibit the take of fish and wildlife species listed as endangered or threatened (16 U.S.C. 1538). The term "take" means to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect listed wildlife, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct (16 U.S.C. 1532). The Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) may, under limited circumstances, issue permits to authorize take that is incidental to, and not the purpose of, carrying out an otherwise lawful activity. Regulations governing permits for threatened and endangered species are found in 50 CFR 17.32 and 17.22, respectively.

Although not required by law or regulation, it is Service policy to notify the public of its permit application decisions. Between April 21, 2004 and May 31, 2005, we issued the following permits within the Pacific Region and California/Nevada Operations Office of the Service for incidental take of threatened and endangered species subject to certain conditions set forth therein, pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) and section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act. We issued each permit after determining that: (1) The permit application was submitted in good faith; (2) all permit issuance criteria were met, including the requirement that granting the permit will not jeopardize the continued existence of listed species; and (3) the permit was consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in the Act and applicable regulations, including a thorough review of the environmental effects of the action and alternatives pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

| Approved plan or agreement | Permit No. | Issuance date |
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| Habitat Conservation Plans: | | |
| Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan | TE088609-0 | 06/22/04 |
| Newhall Farm Seasonal Crossings | TE018244-0 | 09/17/04 |
| City of Carlsbad, Multiple Habitat Conservation Plan | TE022606-0 | 11/12/04 |
| Permit transfer from Office Max (formerly known as Boise Cascade Corp.) to Boise Central Washington Land & Timber, LLC. | TE098525-0 | 12/29/04 |
| City of Chula Vista, Multiple Species Conservation Plan | TE075235-0 | 01/12/05 |
| Shaw Mira Loma LLC | TE099137-0 | 02/01/05 |
| Southern California Edison, Etiwanda-Mira Loma Reconductor Project | TE103476-0 | 04/20/05 |
| Whiskey Creek (3 permits) | TE095539-0 | 04/20/05 |
| | TE095548-0 | 04/20/05 |
| | TE095550-0 | 04/20/05 |
| Westlake Ranch LLC | TE096373-0 | 05/18/05 |
| Safe Harbor Agreements: | | |
| Starck Savanna Restoration | TE079352-0 | 07/08/04 |
| Pi'i'iholo Ranch Nene Reintroduction | TE093924-0 | 09/21/04 |
| Candidate Conservation Agreements with Assurances: | | |
| Southern Idaho Ground Squirrel Programmatic Agreement | TE097632-0 | 03/17/05 |

Copies of these permits, the accompanying Habitat Conservation Plan, Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances, and associated documents are available upon request. Decision documents for each permit include a Findings and Recommendation; a Biological Opinion; and either a Record of Decision, Finding of No Significant Impact, or an Environmental Action Statement. Associated documents may also include an Implementing Agreement, Environmental Impact Statement, or Environmental Assessment, as applicable.

Dated: June 6, 2005.
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Deputy Regional Director, Regional Office, Portland, Oregon
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following applications

to conduct certain activities with endangered species.

DATES: Written data, comments or requests must be received by August 10, 2005.

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 within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax (703) 358-2281.