

enhancement of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a three-year period and the import of any potential progeny born while overseas.

PRT-761887

Applicant: American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY.

The applicant requests a permit to export and re-import non-living museum specimens of endangered and threatened animals and plants species that was previously accessioned into the applicant's collection for scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

Endangered Marine Mammals and Marine Mammals

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered marine mammals and marine mammals. The applications were submitted to satisfy requirements of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing endangered species (50 CFR part 17) and marine mammals (50 CFR part 18). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of the complete applications or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Director (address above). Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

PRT-113725

Applicant: Mark T. Clementz, University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY.

The applicant requests a permit to take and import biological samples from wild and captive populations of the following species: dugong (*Dugong dugon*), West Indian manatee (*Trichechus manatus*), Amazonian manatee (*T. inunguis*), and African manatee (*T. senegalensis*) for the purpose of scientific research on sirenian dietary isotope fractionation. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Division of Management Authority is forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

PRT-118770

Applicant: Kenneth B. Crary, Verona, WI.

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population in Canada for personal, noncommercial use.

Applicant: Wallace T. Schafer, Queen Creek, AZ.

PRT-112563

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport hunted from the Northern Beaufort Sea polar bear population in Canada for personal, noncommercial use.

Dated: February 10, 2006.

Monica Farris,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permit for endangered species.

SUMMARY: The following permit was issued.

ADDRESSES: 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 to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358-2104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that on the dates below, as authorized by the provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the Fish and Wildlife Service issued the requested permit(s) subject to certain conditions set forth therein. For each permit for an endangered species, the Service found that (1) the application was filed in good faith, (2) the granted permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) the granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in Section 2 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

| Permit No. | Applicant | Receipt of application Federal Register notice | Permit issuance date |
|--------------|-------------------------------|---|----------------------|
| 108887 | Darlene R. Ketten, Ph.D | 70 FR 51839, August 31, 2005 | January 25, 2006. |

Dated: February 17, 2006.

Michael L. Carpenter,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits for endangered species.

SUMMARY: The following permits were issued.

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: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

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amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the Fish and Wildlife Service issued the requested permits subject to certain conditions set forth therein. For each permit for an endangered species, the Service found that (1) the application was filed in good faith, (2) the granted

permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) the granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in Section 2 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

| Permit No. | Applicant | Receipt of application Federal Register notice | Permit issuance date |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| 008519 | Zoo Atlanta | 70 FR 15117; March 24, 2005 | December 15, 2005. |
| 013008 | 777 Ranch, Inc. | 70 FR 41783; July 20, 2005 | December 12, 2005. |
| 062075 and 064075 ... | The Hawthorn Corporation | 70 FR 75213; December 19, 2005 | January 27, 2006. |
| 103443 | Chembio Diagnostic Systems, Inc. | 70 FR 38190; July 1, 2005 | November 14, 2005. |
| 107782 | High Delta LLC | 70 FR 51838; August 31, 2005 | December 12, 2005. |
| 811776 | Wildlife Conservation Society | 70 FR 75213; December 19, 2005 | January 24, 2006. |

Dated: February 10, 2006.

Monica Farris,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Draft Recovery Plan for the Carson Wandering Skipper (*Pseudocopaeodes eunus obscurus*)

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability for review and comment.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service ("we") announces the availability of the Draft Recovery Plan for the Carson Wandering Skipper for public review and comment.

DATES: Comments on the draft recovery plan must be received on or before May 31, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the draft recovery plan are available for inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the following location: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Nevada Fish and Wildlife Office, 1340 Financial Boulevard, Suite 234, Reno, Nevada 89502 (telephone: 775-861-6300). Requests for copies of the draft recovery plan and written comments and materials regarding this plan should be addressed to Robert Williams, Field Supervisor, at the above Reno address. An electronic copy of the draft recovery plan is also available at: <http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Marcy Haworth, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Reno address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of our endangered species program. The Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) (ESA) requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Recovery plans help guide the recovery effort by describing actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establishing criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimating time and cost for implementing the measures needed for recovery.

Section 4(f) of the ESA requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development in fulfillment of this requirement. We will consider all information presented during the public comment period prior to approval of each new or revised recovery plan. Substantive technical comments may result in changes to the recovery plan. Substantive comments regarding recovery plan implementation may not necessarily result in changes to the recovery plan, but will be forwarded to appropriate Federal or other entities so that they can take these comments into account during the course of implementing recovery actions. Individual responses to comments will not be provided.

The Carson wandering skipper (*Pseudocopaeodes eunus obscurus*) is a small butterfly in the subfamily Hesperiniinae (grass skippers). This subspecies is federally listed as endangered. Only three extant populations are known from Washoe

County and Douglas County, Nevada, and Lassen County, California. A fourth known population of the subspecies, from Carson City, Nevada, is considered extirpated as of 1998.

The goal for this subspecies is to recover it to point where downlisting and eventually delisting would be appropriate. Recovery criteria include protection and management in perpetuity of the existing populations without downward population trends, development and implementation of adaptive management plans, and discovery or establishment of one or more additional populations.

Public Comments Solicited

We solicit written comments on the draft recovery plan described. All comments received by the date specified above will be considered in developing a final recovery plan.

Authority

The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: December 8, 2005.

Steve Thompson,

Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits for marine mammals.

SUMMARY: The following permits were issued.