abundance and distribution in the North Fork Toutle River and monitor juvenile salmonids in watersheds affected by the 1980 eruption of Mt. St. Helens. The information collected would be used to help develop and implement effective forest management practices and regulations. The research would benefit listed species by contributing information that would help Weyco maintain high quality habitat and develop recovery plans for listed species. Permit 1330 has been in place for almost five years and is due to expire on December 31, 2006. Weyco proposes to capture fish using backpack electrofishing, measure, and release them. They does not intend to kill any of the fish being captured, but a small number may die as an unintended result of the activities.

Permit 1333

The Oregon State University (OSU) Department of Fisheries and Wildlife is requesting a 5–year research permit to take adult and juvenile UWR Chinook and steelhead during the course of research designed to evaluate floodplain and riparian restoration activities, test the effectiveness of new assessment tools for conservation planning, and improve aquatic habitat. The study would benefit listed salmonids by helping determine what actions are needed to restore ecological processes in salmon and steelhead habitat. Permit 1333 has been in place for almost five years and is due to expire on December 31, 2006. The OSU proposes to capture (using boat electrofishing), measure, examine for abnormalities, and release juvenile fish. Adult fish may be encountered but would not be netted. The OSU does not intend to kill any of the fish being captured, but a few may die as an unintended result of the activities.

Permit 1461

The USGS is requesting a 5–year research permit that would allow them to take all fish species covered in this notice while conducting research at Crims Island and the Julia Butler Hanson National Wildlife Refuge in the lower Columbia River. The purpose of the research is to determine fish species composition, habitat use, and salmon diet composition in the areas sampled. The data gathered would be used to guide and determine the effectiveness of habitat restoration activities in the lower Columbia River. The species would benefit from well-planned and monitored habitat restoration activities as well as (ultimately) the restored habitat itself. Permit 1461 has been in place since 2004; the USGS is requesting that the permit be issued for an additional five years. Juvenile salmonids would be collected (using beach seines, Fyke nets, backpack electrofishing, and boat electrofishing), and variously anesthetized, measured for length and weight, sampled for stomach contents and scales, marked (using fluorescent elastomers, Pan-jet needle-less inocculators, or batch-marked with a flourochrome dye), PIT-tagged, allowed to recover from the anesthesia, and released. Not all fish would undergo all these procedures, but all would be anesthetized. The USGS does not intend to kill any fish, but a small number may die as an unintended result of the activities.

This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the ESA. NMFS will evaluate the application, associated documents, and comments submitted to determine whether the application meets the requirements of section 10(a) of the ESA and Federal regulations.The final permit decisions will not be made until after the end of the 30–day comment period. NMFS will publish notice of its final action in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 1, 2006.

Angela Somma,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072506A]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Issuance of scientific research permits.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has issued Permit 1047 - Modification 1 to Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD) in Corte Madera, CA; Permit 1079 - Modification 2 to Campbell Timberland Management, LLC. (CTM) in Fort Bragg, CA; Permit 1162 - Modification 3 to Salmon Protection and Watershed Network (SPAWN) in Forest Knolls, CA; and Permit 1181 - Modification 1 to Mendocino Redwood Company, LLC. (MRC) in Fort Bragg, CA.

ADDRESSES: The applications, permits, and related documents are available for review by appointment at: Protected Resources Division, NMFS, 777 Sonoma Avenue, Room 315, Santa Rosa, CA 95404 (ph: 707–575–6097, fax: 707–578–3435, e-mail: *Jeffrey.Jahn@noaa.gov*).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeffrey Jahn at phone number 707–575–6097, or e-mail: *Jeffrey.Jahn@noaa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531–1543) (ESA), is based on a finding that such permits/modifications: (1) are applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the subject of the permits; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits and modifications are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222–226).

Species Covered in This Notice

This notice is relevant to federally threatened Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*), endangered Central California Coast coho salmon (*O. kisutch*), threatened California Coastal Chinook salmon (*O. tshawytscha*), threatened Northern California steelhead (*O. mykiss*), and threatened Central California Coast steelhead (*O. mykiss*).

Permits Issued

Permit 1047 - Modification 1 was issued to MMWD on July 11, 2006, authorizing capture (by electrofishing or rotary screw trap), handling, sampling (by collection of scales or fin clips), marking (using fin clips or fin dye), and release of juvenile Central California Coast coho salmon, California Coastal Chinook salmon, and Central California Coast steelhead. Permit 1047 Modification 1 also authorizes MMWD to capture, handle, sample (by collection of scales, fin clips, or other tissue), mark, and release adult carcasses of Central California Coast coho salmon, California Coastal Chinook salmon, and Central California Coast steelhead. Permit 1047 - Modification 1 is for research to be conducted in the Walker Creek and Lagunitas Creek watersheds in Marin

County, California. Permit 1047 - Modification 1 does not authorize take of live adult ESA-listed salmonids or intentional lethal take of ESA-listed salmonids. Permit 1047 - Modification 1 authorizes unintentional lethal take of juvenile ESA-listed salmonids associated with research activities not to exceed 5 percent of ESA-listed salmonids captured. The purpose of the research is to provide scientific data on ESA-listed salmonid populations and salmonid habitat and assist MMWD in assessing the effects of water diversion practices on ESA-listed salmonids. Permit 1047 Modification 1 expires on June 30, 2011.

Permit 1079 Modification 2 was issued to CTM on July 14, 2006, authorizing capture (by electrofishing), handling, and release of juvenile Southern Oregon/Northern California Coasts coho salmon, Central California Coast coho salmon, and Northern California steelhead. Permit 1079 Modification 2 is for research to be conducted in numerous watersheds on CTM managed property in Mendocino County, California, including: South Fork Eel River, Usal Creek, Dehaven Creek, Wages Creek, Abalobadiah Creek, Ten Mile River, Pudding Creek, Noyo River, Big River, and Big Salmon Creek. Permit 1079 Modification 2 does not authorize take of live adult ESA-listed salmonids or intentional lethal take of ESA-listed salmonids. Permit 1079 Modification 2 authorizes unintentional lethal take of juvenile ESA-listed salmonids associated with research activities not to exceed 2 percent of ESA-listed salmonids captured. The purpose of the research is to provide scientific data on ESA-listed salmonid populations and salmonid habitat and assist CTM in assessing the effects of timber harvest practices on ESA-listed salmonids. Permit 1079 Modification 2 expires on November 30, 2011.

Permit 1162 Modification 3 was issued to SPAWN on July 11, 2006, authorizing capture (by dip-net, pipe-trap, or funnel-trap), handling, sampling (by collection of fin clips), marking (using fin clips or fin dye), and release of juvenile Central California Coast coho salmon and Central California Coast steelhead. Permit 1162 Modification 3 also authorizes SPAWN to capture, handle, sample (by collection of scales, fin clips, or other tissue), mark, and release adult carcasses of Central California Coast coho salmon, California Coastal Chinook salmon, and Central California Coast steelhead. Permit 1162 Modification 3 is for research to be conducted in the Lagunitas Creek and San Geronimo Creek watersheds in Marin County, California. Permit 1162 Modification 3 does not authorize take of live adult ESA-listed salmonids or intentional lethal take of ESA-listed salmonids. Permit 1162 Modification 3 authorizes unintentional lethal take of juvenile ESA-listed salmonids associated with research activities not to exceed 3 percent of ESA-listed salmonids captured. The purpose of the research is to provide scientific data on ESA-listed salmonid populations, distribution, and salmonid habitat. The research will also result in the rescue and relocation of juvenile ESA-listed salmonids that are under an imminent threat of mortality from stranding in drying streams. Permit 1162 Modification 3 expires on June 30, 2011.

Permit 1181 Modification 1 was issued to MRC on July 14, 2006, authorizing capture (by electrofishing or rotary screw trap), handling, sampling (by collection of fin clips), and release of juvenile Southern Oregon/Northern California Coasts coho salmon, Central California Coast coho salmon, Northern California steelhead, and Central California Coast steelhead. Permit 1181 Modification 1 also authorizes MRC to capture, handle, mark, and release adult carcasses of Southern Oregon/Northern California Coasts coho salmon, Central California Coast coho salmon, California Coastal Chinook salmon, and Northern California steelhead. Permit 1181 Modification 1 is for research to be conducted in numerous watersheds on MRC property ranging from Hollow Tree Creek (a tributary to the South Fork Eel River) in Mendocino County, California, south to the Russian River and Gualala River in Sonoma County, California. Permit 1181 Modification 1 does not authorize take of live adult ESA-listed salmonids or intentional lethal take of ESA-listed salmonids. Permit 1181 Modification 1 authorizes unintentional lethal take of juvenile ESA-listed salmonids associated with research activities not to exceed 3.5 percent of ESA-listed salmonids captured. The purpose of the research is to provide scientific data on ESA-listed salmonid populations and salmonid habitat and assist MRC in assessing the effects of timber harvest practices on ESA-listed salmonids. Permit 1181 Modification 1 expires on November 30, 2011.

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Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 60–50)

36(b)(1) Arms Sales Notification

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Defense Security Cooperation Agency.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense is publishing the unclassified text of a section 36(b)(1) arms sales notificaiton. This is published to fulfill the requirements of section 155 of Public Law 104–164 dated 21 July 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. J. Hurd, DSCA/DBO/ADM, (703) 604–6575.

The following is a copy of a letter to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, Transmittal 60–50 with attached transmittal, policy justificaiton, and Sensitivity of Technology.

Dated: August 1, 2006.

C.R. Choate,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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