

The applicant requests a permit to re-export biological samples collected in the wild in Mexico from aquatic box turtles (*Terrapene coahuila*) to the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico, for scientific research.

Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Society, Bronx, NY, PRT-147321

The applicant requests a permit to import one male and one female captive-born lesser slow loris (*Nycticebus pygmaeus*) from the Calgary Zoo, Alberta, Canada for the purpose of enhancement of the species through captive propagation and conservation education.

Applicant: National Zoological Park, Washington, DC, PRT-134405

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples from leatherback sea turtles (*Dermochelys coriacea*) collected in the wild in Gabon, for scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

Applicant: Richard J. Lullo, Houston, TX, PRT-147381

The applicant requests a permit to import the 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 enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Daniel H. Braman, III, Refugio, TX, PRT-147382

The applicant requests a permit to import the 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 enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Shelby C. Fischer, Victoria, TX, PRT-147383

The applicant requests a permit to import the 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 enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Stella W. Braman, Refugio, TX, PRT-147384

The applicant requests a permit to import the 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 enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Jerry A. Jaeger, Plant City, FL, PRT-146588

The applicant requests a permit to import the 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 enhancement of the survival of the species.

Marine Mammals

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The applications were submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing 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.

Applicant: James R. Gabrick, Fountain City, WI, PRT-143422

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

Applicant: Dennis C. Campbell, Dora, AL, PRT-145886

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

Applicant: Manuel F. Camacho, Jr., Miami, FL, PRT-147469

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: Dennis R. Kallash, Troy, MO, PRT-147415

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 23, 2007.

Michael S. Moore,

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 and/or marine mammals.

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.

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.*), and/or the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *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
134777	Kenneth E. Clifton	71 FR 76685; December 21, 2006	February 1, 2007.
138944	Anson M. K. Lum	71 FR 76685; December 21, 2006	February 1, 2007.
139635	Tommy E. Morrison	71 FR 76682; December 21, 2006	February 1, 2007.

Marine Mammals

Permit No.	Applicant	Receipt of application FEDERAL REGISTER Notice	Permit issuance date
133772	Richard H. Gebhard	71 FR 60561; October 13, 2006	February 5, 2007.
137715	Philip S. Majerus	71 FR 66187; November 13, 2006	February 5, 2007.
125179	Warren L. Strickland	71 FR 35692; June 21, 2006	January 4, 2007.
130142	Jerry L. Brenner	71 FR 76684; December 21, 2006	February 21, 2007.
137039	Kelly J. Powell	71 FR 76682; December 21, 2006	February 21, 2007.
138216	Michael J. Lenarduzzi	71 FR 76682; December 21, 2006	February 12, 2007.
141939	Philip M. Ripepi	72 FR 2539; January 19, 2007	February 21, 2007.

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DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

List of Programs Eligible for Inclusion in Fiscal Year 2007 Funding Agreements To Be Negotiated with Self-Governance Tribes

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists programs or portions of programs that are eligible for inclusion in fiscal year 2007 funding agreements with self-governance tribes and lists programmatic targets pursuant to section 405(c)(4) of the Tribal Self-Governance Act.

DATES: This notice expires on September 30, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Inquiries or comments regarding this notice may be directed to Sue Marcus, American Indian/Alaska Native Liaison, U.S. Geological Survey, 104 National Center, Reston, VA 20192.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Title II of the Indian Self-Determination Act amendments of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-413, the "Tribal Self-Governance Act" or the "Act") instituted a permanent self-governance program at the Department of the Interior (DOI). Under the self-governance program certain programs, services, functions, and activities, or portions thereof, in DOI bureaus other than the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) are eligible to be planned, conducted, consolidated, and administered by a self-governance tribal government.

Under section 405(c) of the Act, the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) is required to publish annually: (1) A list of non-BIA programs, services,

functions, and activities, or portions thereof, that are eligible for inclusion in agreements negotiated under the self-governance program; and (2) programmatic targets for these bureaus.

Under the Act, two categories of non-BIA programs are eligible for self-governance funding agreements (AFAs):

(1) Under section 403(b)(2) of the Act, any non-BIA program, service, function or activity that is administered by COI that is "otherwise available to Indian tribes or Indians," can be administered by a tribal government through a self-governance funding agreement. The DOI interprets this provision to authorize the inclusion of programs eligible for self-determination contracts under Title I of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Pub. L. 93-638, as amended). Section 403(b)(2) also specifies "nothing in this subsection may be construed to provide any tribe with a preference with respect to the opportunity of the tribe to administer programs, services, functions and activities, or portions thereof, unless such preference is otherwise provided by law."

(2) Under section 403(c) of the Act, the Secretary may include other programs, services, functions, and activities or portions thereof that are of "special geographic, historical, or cultural significance" to a self-governance tribe.

Under section 403(k) of the Act, funding agreements cannot include programs, services, functions, or activities that are inherently Federal or where the statute establishing the existing program does not authorize the type of participation sought by the tribe. However, a tribe (or tribes) need not be identified in the authorizing statutes in order for a program or element to be included in a self-governance funding agreement. While general legal and policy guidance regarding what constitutes an inherently Federal function exists, we will determine whether a specific function is inherently Federal on a case-by-case basis considering the totality of circumstances.

Response to Comments

The DOI Office of Self-Governance requested comments on the proposed list on June 14, 2006. A number of editorial and technical changes were provided by DOI bureaus and incorporated into this Notice. While the Notice of June 14, 2006 illustrated all eligible non-BIA programs for DOI, this Notice is specific to the U.S. Geological Survey.

II. Eligible Non-BIA Programs of the U.S. Geological Survey

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) will consider for inclusion in funding agreements activities which, upon request of a self-governance tribe, USGS determines to be eligible under either sections 403(b)(2) or 403(c) of the Act. Tribes with an interest in such potential agreements are encouraged to being such discussions.

The mission of USGS is to collect, analyze, and provide information on biology, geology, hydrology, and geography that contributes to the wise management of the Nation's natural resources and to the health, safety, and well-being of the American people. This information is usually publicly available and includes maps, data bases, and descriptions and analyses of the water, plants, animals, energy, and mineral resources, land surface, underlying geologic structure, and dynamic processes of the earth. The USGS does not manage lands or resources. Self-governance tribes may potentially assist USGS in the data acquisition and analysis components of its activities through a funding agreement.

For questions regarding self-governance contact Sue Marcus, American Indian/Alaska Native Liaison, U.S. Geological Survey, 104 National Center, Reston, VA 20192, telephone 703-648-4437, fax 703-648-4454, e-mail smarcus@usgs.gov.

III. Programmatic Targets

During fiscal year 2007, upon request of a self-governance tribe, the U.S. Geological Survey will negotiate