

eared bats, Ozark big-eared bats, and Northern flying squirrel (*Glaucomys sabrinus*) throughout the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Delaware, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. The proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE07358A.

Applicant: Civil & Environmental Consultants, Inc., Indianapolis, IN.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release) Indiana bats and gray bats throughout the States of Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia. The proposed activities are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Permit Application Number: TE194099.

Applicant: Dr. Michael A. Hoggarth, Westerville, OH.

The applicant requests a permit renewal to take (capture and release) the following mussel species: Clubshell, Cracking pearlymussel, Cumberland bean, Cumberland combshell, Cumberland elktoe, Dromedary pearlymussel, Dwarf wedgemussel, Fanshell, Fat Pocketbook, James spinymussel, Littlewing pearlymussel, Oyster mussel, Orange-footed pimpleback pearlymussel, Pink mucket pearlymussel, Purple catspaw pearlymussel, Rabbitsfoot, Rayed bean, Ring pink, Rough pigtoe, Scaleshell, Sheepnose, Spectaclecase, Snuffbox mussel, Tan riffleshell, White catspaw, and White wartyback. Proposed activities may occur within the States of Kentucky, Indiana, Michigan, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and West Virginia, and are for the enhancement of survival of the species in the wild.

Public Comments

We seek public review and comments on these permit applications. Please refer to the permit number when you submit comments. Comments and materials we receive are available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section. 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.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

In compliance with NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in these permits are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1, 1.4C(1)).

Dated: January 3, 2012.

Lynn Lewis,

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

DATES: We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before February 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358-2280; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2280 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an email or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

B. May I review comments submitted by others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. 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.

II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and

in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), along with Executive Order 13576, "Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government," and the President's Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; January 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by disclosing information to the public, we invite public comment before final action on these permit applications before final action is taken.

III. Permit Applications

A. Endangered Species

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, San Diego, CA; PRT-62113A

The applicant requests a permit to import one captive-born male Aye-aye (*Daubentonia madagascariensis*) from Japan, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha, NE; PRT-62434A

The applicant requests a permit to import one captive-born male snow leopard (*Uncia uncia*) from Canada for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Houston Zoo, Inc., Houston, TX; PRT-697763

The applicant requests amendment to their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to include the red-crowned crane (*Grus japonensis*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: ADLSeven Hunting Ranch LLC, Crystal City, TX; PRT-62429A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the barashigha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), Eld's deer (*Rucervus eldii*), Arabian oryx (*Oryx leucoryx*), scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Hahn Laboratory/University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia, PA; PRT-54173A

The applicant requests a permit to import chimpanzee (*Pan troglodytes*) biological samples from Cameroon for

the purpose of enhancement to the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request 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: Donald Hotter, Colstrip, MT; PRT-30686A

Applicant: Stanley Coman, Clancy, MT; PRT-61274A

Correction

On January 4, 2012, we published a **Federal Register** notice inviting the public to comment on several applications for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species (77 FR 298). We provided an incorrect permit number in our description of the Feld Entertainment application, which starts in the second column on page 300. We printed the incorrect number of PRT-702230. That number should have been PRT-720230. All the other information we printed was correct. With this notice, we correct that error and extend the comment period for the Feld Entertainment application (see **DATES**). The complete corrected entry for this application is as follows:

Applicant: Feld Entertainment Inc., Vienna, VA; PRT-720230

The applicant requests renewal of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for leopard (*Panthera pardus*) and Asian elephant (*Elephas maximus*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Call for Nominations for the Pinedale Anticline Working Group, Wyoming

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Nominations are being solicited for one position representing transportation/rights-of-way or energy and mineral development interests on the Pinedale Anticline Working Group (PAWG).

DATES: Complete nominations must be received no later than February 16, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Mail or deliver nominations to Shelley Gregory, Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Field Office, 1625 West Pine Street, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, WY 82941, or email to ssgregory@blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shelley Gregory, Bureau of Land Management, Pinedale Field Office, 1625 West Pine Street, P.O. Box 768, Pinedale, WY 82941; (307) 315-0612, ssgregory@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PAWG was established by the Environmental Impact Statement Record of Decision (ROD) for the Pinedale Anticline Project Area (PAPA) on July 27, 2000, and carried forward with the release of the ROD for the PAPA Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement on September 12, 2008. The Secretary of the Interior renewed the PAWG charter on August 3, 2010.

The PAWG is a Federal Advisory Committee Act group which develops recommendations and provides advice to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) on mitigation, monitoring and adaptive management in the PAPA.

PAWG duties and responsibilities are as follows:

1. Develop recommendations for the BLM regarding matters relating to monitoring and mitigation of oil and gas development as described in the ROD for the PAPA. At the direction of the Designated Federal Officer, the PAWG may review and analyze information, recommend issues for evaluation and provide advice on the issues presented.

2. Review the implementation of construction and rehabilitation operations through an annual field inspection to provide advice to ensure that the mitigation measures are reasonable and effective.