

Permit Application Number: TE102292-10

Applicant: Jeremy Jackson, Richmond, Kentucky

The applicant requests authorization to amend his current permit to take (capture, mark, apply transmitters, track, survey) the Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), gray bat (*M. grisescens*), and Virginia big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii virginianus*) in West Virginia, Virginia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Alabama, Arkansas, Tennessee, North Carolina, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, New York, Georgia, and Mississippi, while conducting presence/absence surveys, studies to document habitat use, and population monitoring.

Permit Application Number: TE054963-6

Applicant: Heather Barron, Sanibel, Florida

The applicant requests authorization to hold for veterinary treatment, to retain unreleasable specimens, or to euthanize specimens of Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*), hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), leatherback (*Dermochelys coriacea*), green (*Chelonia mydas*), loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*) and olive ridley (*Lepidochelys olivacea*) sea turtles. Treatment facilities are at CROW Wildlife Hospital, but specimens may be accepted from authorized sources throughout Florida and other southeastern states.

Permit Application Number: TE26395B-0

Applicant: Montgomery Zoo, Montgomery, Alabama

The applicant requests authorization to purchase in interstate commerce six American crocodiles (*Crocodylus acutus*) from Jerry Motta, Bushnell, Florida.

Permit Application Number: TE-27608B

Applicant: McGehee Engineering Incorporated, Jasper, Alabama

Applicant requests authorization to conduct presence/absence surveys and other research activities on aquatic species throughout Alabama. The applicant also requests authorization to capture, examine, and release gray bat (*Myotis grisescens*) and Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), to survey for occurrences throughout Alabama.

Dated: February 24, 2014.

Cynthia K. Dohner,
Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered or threatened species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activities. The Act and the National Environmental Policy Act also require that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be received on or before April 10, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Wendy Brown, Chief, Recovery and Restoration Branch, by U.S. mail at Division of Classification and Restoration, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, NM 87103 at 505-248-6920. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Jacobsen, Chief, Division of Classification and Restoration, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, NM 87103; 505-248-6665.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activities. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes applicants to conduct activities with U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes, enhancement of survival or propagation, or interstate commerce. Our regulations regarding implementation of section 10(a)(1)(A) permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies and the public to comment on the following applications. Please refer to the appropriate permit number (e.g., Permit No. TE-123456) when requesting application documents and when submitting comments.

Documents and other information the applicants have submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit TE-082492

Applicant: AZTEC Engineering Group, Inc., Phoenix, Arizona.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) in Arizona and New Mexico; southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in Arizona, New Mexico, and Texas; and Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*) in Arizona.

Permit TE-061127

Applicant: Tierra Right of Way Services, Tucson, Arizona.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of lesser long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris yerbabuena*), Mexican long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris nivalis*), and southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), and to conduct transplanting activities for Pima pineapple cactus (*Coryphantha scheeri* var. *robustispina*) within Arizona.

Permit TE-819491

Applicant: Ecosphere Environmental Services, Inc., Durango, Colorado.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for black-footed ferret (*Mustela nigripes*) within Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming, and southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) within Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, Texas, and Utah.

Permit TE-842583

Applicant: La Tierra Environmental Consulting, LLC., Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of southwestern willow

flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) and northern aplomado falcon (*Falco femoralis septentrionalis*) within New Mexico and Texas.

Permit TE-819458

Applicant: Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument, Ajo, Arizona.

Applicant requests a renewal to an expired permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of lesser long-nosed bat (*Leptonycteris yerbabuenae*), southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), and Sonoran pronghorn (*Antilocapra americana sonoriensis*); to maintain a refugium population of Quitobaquito pupfish (*Cyprinodon macularius*); and to conduct population monitoring, salvage, and seed collection of Acuña cactus (*Echinomastus erectocentrus* var. *acunensis*) at the Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument in Arizona.

Permit TE-33921A

Applicant: City of San Antonio, San Antonio, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapilla*) and golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*) within Texas.

Permit TE-051581

Applicant: David Baggett, Huntsville, Texas.

Applicant requests reissuance of an expired permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of red-cockaded woodpecker (*Picoides borealis*) within Texas.

Permit TE-26066A

Applicant: Rudy Bazan, Helotes, Texas.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*) within Texas.

Permit TE-076050

Applicant: McAlester Army Ammunition Plant, McAlester, Oklahoma.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys and other research activities of American burying beetle (*Nicrophorus americanus*) within Oklahoma.

Permit TE-25736A

Applicant: Regina Overath, Corpus Christi, Texas.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys; collect seeds, leaves, and voucher specimens; and conduct genetic analysis on the following species of listed plants from Federal lands within Texas: South Texas ambrosia (*Ambrosia cheirathifolia*), slender rush-pea (*Hoffmannseggia tenella*), and black lace cactus (*Echinocereus reichenbachii* var. *albertii*).

Permit TE-98704A

Applicant: Dogs for Conservation, Washington, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of Houston toads (*Bufo houstonensis*) using trained canines within Texas.

Permit TE-24625A

Applicant: Wendy Leonard, San Antonio, Texas.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of golden-cheeked warbler (*Dendroica chrysoparia*) and black-capped vireo (*Vireo atricapilla*) within Texas.

Permit TE-127287

Applicant: Loren Ammerman, San Angelo, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to add passive integrated transponder (PIT) tagging of 250 adult and juvenile Mexican long-nosed bats (*Leptonycteris nivalis*) at Emory Cave, Texas.

Permit TE-012642

Applicant: Blue Earth Ecological Consultants, Inc., Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*), loach minnow (*Tiaroga cobitis*), and spikedace (*Meda fulgida*) within Arizona and New Mexico.

Permit TE-815409

Applicant: New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Applicant requests a renewal to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of Jemez Mountains salamander (*Plethodon neomexicanus*) within New Mexico.

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)).

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

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.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*)

Dated: February 20, 2014.

Joy E. Nicholopoulos,

Acting Regional Director, Southwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meeting for the John Day—Snake Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Public Meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, and the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the John Day—Snake Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The John Day—Snake RAC will hold a public meeting Friday, March 14, 2014. The meeting will run from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. An agenda will be posted