

Switzerland
 Union
 Kentucky:
 Bracken
 Carroll
 Gallatin
 Grant
 Mason
 Pendleton
 Ohio:
 Adams
 Brown
 Butler
 Highland

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Dayton

Ohio:
 Champaign
 Clark
 Greene
 Miami
 Montgomery
 Preble

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Indiana:
 Randolph
 Wayne

Ohio:
 Auglaize
 Clinton
 Darke
 Logan
 Shelby

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WASHINGTON

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**Southeastern Washington-Eastern Oregon
 Survey Area**

Oregon:
 Umatilla
 Washington:
 Benton
 Franklin
 Walla Walla
 Yakima

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Oregon:
 Baker
 Grant
 Harney
 Malheur
 Morrow
 Union
 Wallowa
 Wheeler

Washington:
 Columbia
 Kittitas (Only includes the Yakima Firing
 Range portion)

Spokane

Survey Area

Washington:
 Spokane

Area of Application. Survey area plus:

Idaho:
 Benewah
 Bonner
 Boundary
 Clearwater
 Idaho
 Kootenai

Latah
 Lewis
 Nez Perce
 Shoshone
 Washington:
 Adams
 Asotin
 Chelan (Does not include the North Cas-
 cades National Park portion)
 Douglas
 Ferry
 Garfield
 Grant
 Kittitas (Does not include the Yakima
 Firing Range portion)
 Lincoln
 Okanogan
 Pend Oreille
 Stevens
 Whitman

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

**Animal and Plant Health Inspection
 Service**

9 CFR Parts 2 and 3

[Docket No. APHIS-2012-0107]

**Petition To Amend Animal Welfare Act
 Regulations To Prohibit Public Contact
 With Big Cats, Bears, and Nonhuman
 Primates**

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health
 Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; reopening of comment
 period.

SUMMARY: We are reopening the
 comment period for a petition
 requesting amendments to the Animal
 Welfare Act regulations and standards
 pertaining to physical contact with
 dangerous animals. We are especially
 interested in receiving public comments
 on the additional questions included in
 this notice. We are providing
 information about upcoming virtual
 stakeholder listening sessions and other
 efforts intended to gather additional
 public comment. This action will allow
 interested persons additional time to
 prepare and submit comments and
 further inform our thinking on the
 handling of dangerous animals.

DATES: The comment period for the
 notice published on August 5, 2013 (78
 FR 47215) and reopened on October 24,
 2013 (78 FR 63408) is reopened. We will
 consider all comments that we receive
 on or before August 31, 2016. The
 virtual listening sessions described in
 this notice will be held on Wednesday,
 June 29, 2016, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

eastern time (ET); Wednesday, July 6,
 2016, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. ET; and
 Thursday, August 4, 2016, from 1 p.m.
 to 3 p.m. ET. Registration is required to
 participate in the listening sessions.
 Links for registering to participate in the
 virtual listening sessions are included in
 the Web site in footnote 2 below.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments
 by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to
[http://www.regulations.gov/
 #!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2012-0107](http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2012-0107).

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:*

Send your comment to Docket No.
 APHIS-2012-0107, Regulatory Analysis
 and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station
 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118,
 Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any
 comments we receive on this docket
 may be viewed at [http://
 www.regulations.gov/
 #!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2012-0107](http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2012-0107) or

in our reading room, which is located in
 room 1141 of the USDA South Building,
 14th Street and Independence Avenue
 SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading
 room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
 Monday through Friday, except
 holidays. To be sure someone is there to
 help you, please call (202) 799-7039
 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr.
 Barbara Kohn, Senior Staff Veterinarian,
 Animal Care, APHIS, 4700 River Road
 Unit 84, Riverdale, MD 20737-1234;
 (301) 851-3751.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On August 5, 2013, we published in
 the **Federal Register** (78 FR 47215-
 47217, Docket No. APHIS-2012-0107) a
 notice¹ making available for comment a
 petition requesting amendments to the
 Animal Welfare Act (AWA) regulations
 and standards, including amendments
 to prohibit licensees from allowing
 individuals, with certain exceptions,
 from coming into direct or physical
 contact with big cats, bears, or
 nonhuman primates of any age, to
 define the term “sufficient distance,”
 and to prohibit the public handling of
 young or immature big cats, bears, and
 nonhuman primates.

Comments were required to be
 received on or before October 4, 2013.
 In a subsequent notice published
 October 24, 2013 (78 FR 63408), we
 reopened the comment period for an
 additional 45 days to November 18,
 2013. We received 15,379 comments.

We are again reopening the comment
 period and will accept all comments we
 receive on or before August 31, 2016.

¹ To view the notice, petition, and the comments
 we received, go to [http://www.regulations.gov/
 #!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2012-0107](http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2012-0107).

We are especially interested in receiving public comments on the questions presented below. Responses to these questions will help further inform our thinking on the handling of dangerous animals:

1. What factors and characteristics should determine if a type of animal is suitable for public contact? When the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) describes an animal as dangerous, there are certain characteristics we use to classify the animals, such as the size, strength, and instinctual behavior of an animal, risk of disease transmission between animals and humans (*i.e.*, zoonoses such as Herpes B), and ability to safely and humanely handle (or control) the animal in all situations.

2. What animals should APHIS consider including under the definition of dangerous animals? For example, are all nonhuman primates dangerous? We currently identify some animals as dangerous, including, but not limited to, nondomestic felids (such as lions, tigers, jaguars, mountain lions, cheetahs, and any hybrids thereof), wolves, bears, certain nonhuman primates (such as gorillas, chimps, and macaques), elephants, hippopotamuses, rhinoceroses, moose, bison, camels, and common animals known to carry rabies.

3. What animals may pose a public health risk and why? What risks does public contact with dangerous animals present to the individual animal and the species and why?

4. What are the best methods of permanent, usable animal identification for dangerous animals?

5. What are the most humane training techniques to use with dangerous animals?

6. What scientific information (peer-reviewed journals preferred) is available that identifies the appropriate weaning ages for nondomestic felids, bears, elephants, wolves, nonhuman primates, and other dangerous animals?

7. What industry, organizational, or governmental standards have been published for the handling and care of dangerous animals?

8. What constitutes sufficient barriers for enclosures around dangerous animals to keep members of the public away from the animals? What methods (structures, distance, attendants, etc.) are needed to prevent entry of the public into an enclosure and keep the animal safe while still allowing for meaningful viewing?

In addition to inviting the public to comment on these questions, we are making available for the public a Web

site² containing background information on the topics explained in this notice. We also plan to convene three virtual listening sessions during the summer, allowing stakeholders to participate regardless of their location before the close of the public comment period. The dates of each virtual listening session are as follows:

- June 29, 2016, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. eastern time (ET);
- July 6, 2016, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. ET; and
- August 4, 2016, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. ET.

Persons wishing to participate in the virtual listening sessions are required to register prior to the session. Links for registering to participate in each listening session are included in the Web site in footnote 2. Upon registration, participants will be provided with a call-in number and access code. The virtual listening sessions will provide the public with opportunities to share their views on the handling of dangerous animals and provide us with additional material to inform our thinking on this topic.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2131–2159; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.7.

Done in Washington, DC, this 21st day of June 2016.

William H. Clay,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

10 CFR Part 72

[Docket No. PRM–72–6; NRC–2008–0649]

Petition for Rulemaking Submitted by C–10 Research and Education Foundation, Inc.

AGENCY: Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

ACTION: Petition for rulemaking; denial.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) is denying Requests 4 and 9 of a petition for rulemaking (PRM), dated November 24, 2008, filed by Ms. Sandra Gavutis, Executive Director of C–10 Research and Education Foundation, Inc. (the petitioner). The petitioner requested that the NRC amend its regulations concerning dry cask safety, security, transferability, and longevity. The petitioner made 12 specific requests.

² <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalwelfare/Handling-Dangerous-Animals-Feedback-Page>.

The NRC previously denied 9 of these requests and accepted 1 request for consideration in the rulemaking process. Two remaining requests were reserved for future rulemaking determinations. The purpose of this **Federal Register** notice is to announce the NRC's final decision to deny these two remaining requests.

DATES: The docket for the petition for rulemaking, PRM–72–6, is closed on June 24, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Please refer to Docket ID NRC–2008–0649 when contacting the NRC about the availability of information for this action. You may obtain publicly-available information related to this action by any of the following methods:

- *Federal Rulemaking Web site:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRC–2008–0649. Address questions about NRC dockets to Carol Gallagher; telephone: 301–415–3463; email: Carol.Gallagher@nrc.gov. For technical questions, contact the individuals listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this document.

- *NRC's Agencywide Documents Access and Management System (ADAMS):* You may obtain publicly-available documents online in the ADAMS Public Documents collection at <http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/adams.html>. To begin the search, select "ADAMS Public Documents" and then select "Begin Web-based ADAMS Search." For problems with ADAMS, please contact the NRC's Public Document Room (PDR) reference staff at 1–800–397–4209, 301–415–4737, or by email to pdr.resource@nrc.gov. The ADAMS accession number for each document referenced (if it is available in ADAMS) is provided the first time that it is mentioned in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

- *NRC's PDR:* You may examine and purchase copies of public documents at the NRC's PDR, Room O1–F21, One White Flint North, 11555 Rockville Pike, Rockville, Maryland 20852.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Torre Taylor, telephone: 301–415–7900, email: Torre.Taylor@nrc.gov; or Haile Lindsay, telephone: 301–415–0616, email: Haile.Lindsay@nrc.gov; both of the Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington DC 20555–0001.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. The Petition

Section 2.802 of title 10 of the *Code of Federal Regulations* (10 CFR), "Petition for rulemaking," provides an