

B. Endangered Marine Mammals and Marine Mammals

Applicant: Wild Space Productions, Pacific Grove, CA Permit No. 62285D

The applicant requests a permit to photograph southern sea otters (*Enhydra lutris nereis*) along the coast of California, at the locations listed below, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through educational photography.

- Monterey Harbour
- Cannery Row, Pacific Grove stretch
- Monterey Bay Inn, Cannery Row
- Pebble Beach (Point Joe—within Pebble Beach)
- Point Lobos (using boat launch Whalers Cove)
- Monterey Bay Aquarium: Hopkins Marine Station
- Carmel Beach, Carmel-by-the-Sea
- Sandshell Beach—behind Cypress Point
- Otter Point—Perkins Park, Pacific Grove
- Berwick Park
- Elkhorn Slough
- Moss Landing Harbor
- Pescadero

This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

IV. Next Steps

After the comment period closes, we will make decisions regarding permit issuance. If we issue permits to any of the applicants listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**. You may locate the notice announcing the permit issuance by searching <http://www.regulations.gov> for the permit number listed above in this document. For example, to find information about the potential issuance of Permit No. 12345A, you would go to [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and search for “12345A”.

V. Authority

We issue this notice under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and its implementing regulations, and the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and its implementing regulations.

Monica Thomas,

Management Analyst, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Species; Receipt of Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have received applications for permits to conduct activities intended to enhance the propagation or survival of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act. We invite the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on these applications. Before issuing any of the requested permits, we will take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

DATES: We must receive your written comments by June 22, 2020.

ADDRESSES: *Document availability and comment submission:* Use one of the following methods to request documents or submit comments. Requests and comments should specify

the applicant name(s) and application number(s) (e.g., TE123456):

- *Email:* permitsR6ES@fws.gov.
- *U.S. Mail:* Marjorie Nelson, Chief, Division of Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 134 Union Blvd., Suite 670, Lakewood, CO 80228.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Konishi, Recovery Permits Coordinator, Ecological Services, 303–236–4224 (phone), or permitsR6ES@fws.gov (email). Individuals who are hearing or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), prohibits certain activities with endangered and threatened species unless authorized by a Federal permit. The ESA and our implementing regulations in part 17 of title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) provide for the issuance of such permits and require that we invite public comment before issuing permits for activities involving endangered species.

A recovery permit issued by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with endangered species for scientific purposes that promote recovery or for enhancement of propagation or survival of the species. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these 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.

Permit Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies; Tribes; and the public to comment on the following applications.

| Application No. | Applicant | Species | Location | Take activity | Permit action |
|-----------------|--|--|-------------------------|---|---------------|
| TE183430–3 | Headwaters Corporation, Kearney, NE. | • Interior least tern (<i>Sternula antillarum athalassos</i>). | NE | Pursue for presence/absence surveys, nest monitoring, habitat management. | Renew. |
| TE045150–4 | Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK. | • American burying beetle (<i>Nicrophorus americanus</i>). | NE, SD, KS, OK, AR, TX. | Pursue for presence/absence surveys. Hold in captivity for captive breeding and rearing, for reintroduction purposes. | Renew. |

Public Availability of Comments

Written comments we receive become part of the administrative record. 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 request in your comment that we withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. All submissions

from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Next Steps

If we decide to issue permits to any of the applicants listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**.

Authority

We publish this notice under section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Stephen Small,

Assistant Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior Regions 5 and 7.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey, Colorado

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of official filing.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Colorado State Office, Lakewood, Colorado, 30 calendar days from the date of this publication. The surveys, which were executed at the request of the BLM, are necessary for the management of these lands.

DATES: Unless there are protests of this action, the plats described in this notice will be filed on June 22, 2020.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written protests to the BLM Colorado State Office, Cadastral Survey, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, CO 80215-7210.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randy Bloom, Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Colorado, (303) 239-3856; rbloom@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf may call the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The plat, in 3 sheets, incorporating the field notes of the dependent resurvey and subdivision of section 31 in Township 16 South, Range 67 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on April 23, 2020.

The plat and field notes of the dependent resurvey and survey in Township 6 South, Range 99 West, Sixth Principal Meridian, Colorado, was accepted on May 12, 2020.

A person or party who wishes to protest any of the above surveys must file a written notice of protest within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. A statement of reasons for the protest may be filed with the notice of protest and must be filed within 30 calendar days after the protest is filed. If a protest against the survey is received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest. A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed or otherwise resolved.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your protest, please be aware that your entire protest, 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: 43 U.S.C. Chap. 3.

Randy A. Bloom,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

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Termination of Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Navajo Generating Station-Kayenta Mine Complex

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is terminating preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Navajo Generating Station-Kayenta Mine Complex (NGS-KMC). The proposed action was modified in

2017, and Reclamation determined that an Environmental Assessment (EA) rather than an EIS was the appropriate level of environmental documentation for the modified proposed action. An EA was prepared on an Extension Lease by Reclamation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)-Navajo Region as joint lead agencies. Signed Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI) were announced to the public on November 30, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Leslie Meyers, Bureau of Reclamation, Phoenix Area Office, 6150 West Thunderbird Road, Glendale, AZ 85306-4001; telephone (623) 773-6211; facsimile (623) 773-6480; email lmeyers@usbr.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf may call the Federal Relay Service (Fed Relay) at 1-800-877-8339 TTY/ASCII to contact the above individual during normal business hours or to leave a message or question(s) after hours. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4231-4347; the Council on Environmental Quality's Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA, 40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508; and the Department of the Interior's regulations, 43 CFR part 46, a Notice of Intent to prepare the EIS for the NGS-KMC Project was published in the **Federal Register** on May 16, 2014 (79 FR 28546). Under the proposed action, Reclamation and other federal agencies would provide federal approvals and/or decisions necessary to continue the operation and maintenance of the NGS-KMC facilities through December 2044.

Publication of the **Federal Register** notice was followed with a public scoping period that ended on July 7, 2014. The Draft EIS was made available for public review and comment from September 30 to December 29, 2016.

On February 13, 2017, the utility owners of NGS-KMC (Lessees) issued a statement indicating they no longer intended to operate NGS-KMC after expiration of the existing 1969 Lease, on December 22, 2019, citing the rapidly changing economics of the energy industry. The statement also confirmed the Lessees would be willing to operate NGS-KMC through December 2019, if all necessary agreements were reached with the Navajo Nation, to allow for retirement of NGS-KMC within 5 years. The EIS proposed action was modified and Reclamation determined that an EA, rather than an EIS, was the appropriate