

The following lenders paid civil money penalties of \$11,864.00:

1. *A Plus Mortgage Services, Inc., Muskego, WI* [Docket No. 23-3349-MRT];
2. *City National Bank of Florida, Miami, FL* [Docket No. 23-3010-MRT];
3. *Eagle Mortgage & Funding Inc., Memphis, TN* [Docket No. 23-3356-MRT];
4. *Essential Mortgage Partners, LLC, Kenner, LA* [Docket No. 23-3369-MRT];
5. *GreenState Credit Union, North Liberty, IA* [Docket No. 23-3374-MRT];
6. *ResMac, Inc., Delray Beach, FL* [Docket No. 23-3034-MRT]; and
7. *Statewide Funding Inc., Ontario, CA* [Docket No. 23-3370-MRT]

The following lenders paid a civil money penalty of \$6,000.00:

1. *American Heritage Lending, LLC, Irvine, CA* [Docket No. 23-3372-MRT];
2. *Bank of Idaho, Pocatello, ID* [Docket No. 23-3068-MRT];
3. *Mid Valley Financial Services, Fresno, CA* [Docket No. 23-3102-MRT]; and
4. *Southwest Bank, Odessa, TX* [Docket No. 23-3092-MR]

The following lenders paid civil money penalties of \$5,000.00:

1. *Ameritrust Mortgage Corp, Tustin, CA* [Docket No. 22-2045-MRT];
2. *Community First Bank, Kennewick, WA* [Docket No. 23-3063-MRT]; and
3. *Statebridge Company LLC, Greenwood Village, CO* [Docket No. 22-2050-MRT]

#### IV. Lenders That Failed To Meet Requirements for Annual Recertification of HUD/FHA Approval

*Action:* The Board voted to withdraw the FHA approval of each of the lenders listed below for a period of one (1) year.

*Cause:* The Board took this action based upon allegations that the lenders listed below were not in compliance with HUD's annual recertification requirements.

1. *Accelerate Mortgage, LLC, Newark, DE* [Docket No. 23-3040 MRT];
2. *American Bank of Missouri, Wright City, MO* [Docket No. 23-3087-MR];
3. *Graystone Funding Company Salt Lake City, UT*
4. *Interstate Bank, Perryton, TX*
5. *James B Nutter and Company, Kansas City, MO* [Docket No. 23-3088-MR];
6. *Loan Cabin, Inc., Lombard, IL* [Docket No. 23-3012-MRT];
7. *Mortgage Master Service Corporation, Kent, WA* [Docket No. 23-3321-MR];
8. *Republic First Bank d/b/a Republic Bank, Philadelphia, PA* [Docket No. 23-3075-MR];
9. *Rogue Credit Union, Medford, OR* [Docket No. 22-2066-MRT];

10. *Sprout Mortgage, LLC, Port Saint Lucie, FL* [Docket No. 23-3083-MR];
11. *The Home Loan Expert, LLC, Saint Louis, MO* [Docket No. 23-3072-MR];
12. *Tri-Emerald Financial Group Inc, Aliso Viejo, CA* [Docket No. 22-2077-MRT];
13. *US Employees OC Federal Credit Union, Oklahoma City, OK* [Docket No. 22-2047-MRT];
14. *Valley Exchange Bank of Lennox, Lennox, SD* [Docket No. 23-3098-MR]; and
15. *WestStar Credit Union, Las Vegas, NV* [Docket No. 23-3071-MR]

#### Julia R. Gordon,

Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Administration, Mortgagee Review Board, Chairperson.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2024-0048; FXIA1671090000-245-FF09A30000]

#### Foreign Endangered Species; Receipt of 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, invite the public to comment on applications to conduct certain activities with foreign species that are listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is issued that allows such activities. The ESA also requires that we invite public comment before issuing permits for any activity otherwise prohibited by the ESA with respect to any endangered species.

**DATES:** We must receive comments by April 29, 2024.

#### ADDRESSES:

*Obtaining Documents:* The applications, application supporting materials, and any comments and other materials that we receive will be available for public inspection at <https://www.regulations.gov> in Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2024-0048.

*Submitting Comments:* When submitting comments, please specify the name of the applicant and the permit number at the beginning of your comment. You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

- *Internet:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Search for and

submit comments on Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2024-0048.

- *U.S. mail:* Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2024-0048; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters, MS: PRB/3W; 5275 Leesburg Pike; Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

For more information, see Public Comment Procedures under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Tapia, by phone at 703-358-2185 or via email at [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov). Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Public Comment Procedures

*A. How do I comment on submitted applications?*

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.

You may submit your comments and materials by one of the methods in **ADDRESSES**. We will not consider comments sent by email or to an address not in **ADDRESSES**. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**).

When submitting comments, please specify the name of the applicant and the permit number at the beginning of your comment. Provide sufficient information 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.

*B. May I review comments submitted by others?*

You may view and comment on others' public comments at <https://www.regulations.gov> unless our allowing so would violate the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) or Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

**C. Who will see my comments?**

If you submit a comment at <https://www.regulations.gov>, your entire comment, including any personal identifying information, will be posted on the website. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, such as your address, phone number, or email address, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Moreover, 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.

**II. Background**

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), we invite public comments on permit applications before final action is taken. With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits certain activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is issued that allows such activities. Permits issued under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA allow otherwise prohibited activities for scientific purposes or to enhance the propagation or survival of the affected species. Service regulations regarding prohibited activities with endangered species, captive-bred wildlife registrations, and permits for any activity otherwise prohibited by the ESA with respect to any endangered species are available in title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations in part 17.

**III. Permit Applications**

We invite comments on the following applications.

*Applicant: Toledo Zoo, Toledo, OH; Permit No. PER9252324*

The applicant requests a permit to import from Canada one captive-bred male Amur leopard (*Panthera pardus orientalis*) for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

*Applicant: Loma Linda University, Loma Linda, CA; Permit No. PER9040983*

The applicant requests to import blood and/or skin samples from live

specimens and parts and/or carcasses from dead wild found specimens. The imported specimens will consist of the following sea turtles: hawksbill sea turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), green sea turtle (*Chelonia mydas*), olive ridley sea turtle (*Ledipochelys olivacea*), leatherback sea turtle (*Demochelys coriacea*), and loggerhead sea turtle (*Caretta caretta*), for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Duke University Lemur Center, Durham, NC; Permit No. PER3848559*

The applicant requests a permit to export four live captive-bred Mongoose lemur (*Eulemur mongoz*) to Tierpark Berlin Zoo, Berlin, Germany, for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single export.

*Applicant: Kent State University, Kent, OH; Permit No. PER2139364*

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples taken from accessioned specimens of Diana monkey (*Cercopithecus diana*), red-eared guenon (*Cercopithecus erythrotis*), and L'hoest's monkey (*Cercopithecus lhoesti*) from the Royal Museum for Central Africa, Tervuren, Belgium, for the purpose of scientific research. This notification is for a single import.

*Applicant: Cornell University New York State Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory/Animal Health Diagnostic Center, Ithaca, NY; Permit No. PER9378141*

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples taken from wild African wild dogs (*Lycaon pictus*) in South Africa for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, Powell, OH; Permit No. PER8970502*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following species, to enhance the propagation or survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

| Common name            | Scientific name           |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Cheetah .....          | <i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> . |
| Black rhinoceros ..... | <i>Diceros bicornis</i> . |
| Asian elephant .....   | <i>Elephas maximus</i> .  |
| Western gorilla .....  | <i>Gorilla gorilla</i> .  |

| Common name                   | Scientific name                     |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Japanese (red-crowned) crane. | <i>Grus japonensis</i> .            |
| Koala .....                   | <i>Phascolarctos cinereus</i> .     |
| African lion .....            | <i>Panthera leo melanochaita</i> .  |
| Pygmy chimpanzee (bonobo).    | <i>Pan paniscus</i> .               |
| Bornean orangutan .....       | <i>Pongo pygmaeus pygmaeus</i> .    |
| Mandrill .....                | <i>Mandrillus (=Papio) sphinx</i> . |
| African penguin .....         | <i>Spheniscus demersus</i> .        |
| Siberian tiger .....          | <i>Panthera tigris altaica</i> .    |

*Applicant: Fairplay Pythons, Punta Gorda, FL; Permit No. PER9244630*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for radiated tortoise (*Astrochelys radiata*), to enhance the propagation or survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant: Pinola Conservancy, Shreveport, LA; Permit No. PER9314361*

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for Japanese crane (*Grus japonensis*) and Cabot's tragopan pheasant (*Tragopan caboti*), to enhance the propagation or survival of the species. 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 <https://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](https://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.

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