

to use agreements with no specified end date. Use of such “renewable” agreements enables the grantee to merely notify affected participating UGLGs in writing that their agreement will automatically be renewed unless the UGLG terminates the agreement in writing, rather than executing a new agreement every three years.

Average of 2 new urban counties qualify per year $2 \times 120 \text{ hrs} = 240 \text{ hrs}$.

195 grantees requalify on triennial basis; average annual number of respondents = 65 $65 \times 67 \text{ hrs} = 4,355 \text{ hrs}$.

Total combined burden hours: 4,595 hours

This total number of combined burden hours can be expected to increase annually by 1,200 hours, given the average of two new urban counties becoming eligible entitlement grantees each year.

B. Solicitation of Public of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

C. Authority

Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35.

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Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2024-0138; 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 October 24, 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-2024-0138.

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-2024-0138.
- *U.S. mail:* Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2024-0138; 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:

Timothy MacDonald, by phone at 703-358-2185 or via email at 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: University of Washington dba Center for Environmental Forensic Science, Seattle, WA; Permit No. PER3472978

The applicant requests a permit to import biological specimens derived from animals of unknown origin within the family Rhinocerotidae for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: San Diego Zoo Wildlife Alliance, San Diego, CA; Permit No. PER11846441

The applicant requests a permit to import one wild Fiji banded iguana (*Brachylophus fasciatus*) from Saipan for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

Applicant: Cornell University Museum of Vertebrates, Ithaca, NY; Permit No. PER12124015

The applicant requests authorization to export and re-import nonliving museum specimens of endangered species previously accessioned into the applicant's collection for scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Panther Ridge Conservation Center Inc., Loxahatchee, FL; Permit No. PER10708981

The applicant requests a permit to import two captive-bred ocelots

(*Leopardus pardalis*), one male and one female, from Mystic Monkeys and Feathers Wildlife Park, Rust de Winter, Limpopo, South Africa, for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

Applicant: SeaWorld California, San Diego, CA; Permit No. PER11660838

The applicant requests a permit to import and release into the wild one loggerhead sea turtle (*Caretta caretta*), which was rescued from the wild in Canada, for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

Applicant: Michael Damron, Houston, TX; Permit No. PER12034353

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male black rhinoceros (*Diceros bicornis*) from Namibia for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

Applicant: Tucker Knight, Houston, TX; Permit No. PER12034355

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male black rhinoceros (*Diceros bicornis*) from Namibia for the purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single import.

Applicant: University of Texas-Austin, Austin, TX; Permit No. PER11948527

The applicant requests authorization to import up to 120 tubes containing 2-millimeter (mm) or 3-mm wild-collected Verreaux's sifaka (*Propithecus verreauxi*) ear tissue samples, for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Thomas Motlow, Dallas, TX; Permit No. PER11844490

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for radiated tortoise (*Geochelone 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: Center for the Conservation of Tropical Ungulates, Punta Gorda, FL; Permit No. PER12064268

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
Lowland anoa	<i>Bubalus depressicornis.</i>
Banteng	<i>Bos javanicus.</i>
Red lechwe	<i>Kobus leche.</i>
South American tapir	<i>Tapirus terrestris.</i>
Asian tapir	<i>Tapirus indicus.</i>
Great Indian rhinoceros.	<i>Rhinoceros unicornis.</i>
Black rhinoceros	<i>Diceros bicornis.</i>
Southern white rhino	<i>Ceratotherium simum simum.</i>

Multiple Trophy Applicants

The following applicants request permits to import sport-hunted trophies of 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 enhancing the propagation or survival of the species.

- Applicant: Keith R. Warren, Seguin, TX; Permit No. PER12017464
- Applicant: Daniel Macerelli, McKeesport, PA; Permit No. PER12034356

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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