

Marine Mammals

The public is invited to comment on the following application(s) for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application(s) was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

Written data, comments or requests for copies of these complete applications or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281. These requests must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Applicant: Circo Hermanos Suarez S.A., San Juan, PR, PRT-036843.

Permit Type: Import for public display.

Name and Number of Animals: Polar bear, (*Ursus maritimus*) 7

Summary of Activity to be Authorized: The applicant requests to import for Public Display purposes.

Source of Marine Mammals: Captive and wild born.

Period of Activity: 5 years.

Applicant: United States Fish and Wildlife Service/Marine Mammal Management, Anchorage, AK PRT-039386.

Permit Type: Take for scientific research.

Name and Number of Animals: Walrus, (*Odobenus rosmarus divergens*), Variable

Summary of Activity to be Authorized: The applicant requests a permit to conduct aerial fly overs of walrus hauled-out on sea ice, that may result in Level B harassment, for the purpose of developing new survey techniques using ventricle digital video imagery.

Source of Marine Mammals: Free ranging.

Period of Activity: 5 years.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Division of Management Authority is forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife has information collection approval from

OMB through February 28, 2001. OMB Control Number 1018-0093. Federal Agencies may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a current valid OMB control number.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: February 23, 2001.

Anna Barry,

Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**U.S. Geological Survey**

Application Notice Describing the Areas of Interest and Establishing the Closing Date for Receipt of Applications Under the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002

AGENCY: Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Applications are invited for research projects under the NEHRP.

The purpose of this Program is to support the USGS Earthquake Hazards Program by providing products for earthquake loss reduction to the public and private sectors and by carrying out research on earthquake occurrence and effects.

Applications may be submitted by educational institutions, private firms, private foundations, individuals, and agencies of state and local governments.

ADDRESSES: The program announcement is expected to be available on or about March 1, 2001. You may obtain a copy of Announcement No. 02HQPA0001 from the USGS Contracts and Grants Information Site at <http://www.usgs.gov/contracts/nehpr/> or by writing to Sherri Newman, U.S. Geological Survey, Office of Acquisition and Grants—Mail Stop 205G, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive,

Reston, Virginia 20192, or by fax (703) 648-7901.

DATES: The closing date for receipt of applications will be on or about May 1, 2001. The actual closing date will be specified in Announcement No. 02HQPA0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Unger, Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program—U.S. Geological Survey, Mail Stop 905, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192. Telephone: (703) 648-6701.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Authority for this program is contained in the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act of 1977, Public Law 95-124 (42 U.S.C. 7701, *et seq.*). The Office of Management and Budget Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number is 15.807.

Dated: February 15, 2001.

Patricia P. Dunham,

Deputy Chief, Office of Administrative Policy and Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[AZ-030-3130 EU; AZA-29652]

Notice of Realty Action Direct Sale of Public Lands in Mohave County, Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of realty action, direct sale.

SUMMARY: The following public lands have been found suitable for a direct sale under Section 214 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (90 Stat. 2750; 43 U.S.C. 1713), at not less than the estimated fair market value of \$1,000. The land will not be offered for sale for at least 60 days after the date of this notice.

T. 24 N., R. 13 W., Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

Section 34: E $\frac{1}{2}$ E $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Consisting of 1.25 acres.

The land described above is hereby segregated from appropriation under the public land laws including the mining laws, pending disposition of this action 270 days from the date of publication of this notice, whichever occurs first.

This land will be offered to a private landowner due to the need to resolve an inadvertent unauthorized use or occupancy of the lands, and must be for