and Channel-billed Toucan (Ramphastos vitellinus). The applicant wishes to be an active participant in this program along with one other individual. If approved, the program will be overseen by the Zoological Association of America.

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 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

Dated: March 27, 2013.

#### Craig Hoover,

Chief, Branch of Operations, Division of Management Authority.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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# Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit Applications

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications for permits to conduct activities with the purpose of enhancing the survival of endangered species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing such permits.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by May 2, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Endangered Species Program Manager, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232–4181. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Grant Canterbury, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address or by

telephone (503–231–6131) or fax (503–231–6243).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### **Background**

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for certain permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits for endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities (including take or interstate commerce) with respect to U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act 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.

## Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following applications. Please refer to the appropriate permit number for the application when submitting comments.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review by request from the Endangered Species Program Manager at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

### Permit Number: TE-99474A

Applicant: Tyler Hicks, Ridgefield, Washington.

The applicant requests a new recovery permit to take (capture and release) the Fender's blue butterfly (*Icaricia icarioides fenderi*) in conjunction with research in Lane, Polk, Benton, Yamhill, and Washington Counties, Oregon, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

### Permit Number: TE-98468A

Applicant: Amnis Opes Institute, Bend, Oregon.

The applicant requests a new recovery permit to take (capture and release) the Modoc sucker (*Catostomus microps*), Lost River sucker (*Deltistes luxatus*), shortnose sucker (*Chasmistes brevirostris*), Mohave tui chub (*Gila* 

bicolor mohavensis), and Owens tui chub (Gila bicolor snyderi) in conjunction with research in Oregon and California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

#### **Public Availability of Comments**

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

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 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:** We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: March 25, 2013.

### Richard R. Hannan,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-HQ-IA-2013-N081; FXIA16710900000P5-123-FF09A30000]

# **Endangered Species; Marine Mammals; Issuance of Permits**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of permits.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have issued the following permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species, marine mammals, or both. We issue these permits under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA).

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358–2280; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Tapia, (703) 358–2104 (telephone); (703) 358–2280 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

 $\mbox{\sc Supplementary information:}\ On\ the\ dates\ below,\ as\ authorized\ by\ the$ 

provisions of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), as amended, and/or the MMPA, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), we issued requested permits subject to certain conditions set forth therein. For

each permit for an endangered species, we found that (1) The application was filed in good faith, (2) The granted permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) The granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

### **ENDANGERED SPECIES**

Permit no.	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
89704A	Hawkins Taxidermy, LLC	78 FR 9725; February 11, 2013	March 21, 2013.

### MARINE MAMMALS

Permit no.	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
053639	USFWS National Forensics Laboratory	78 FR 5481; January 25, 2013	March 18, 2013.

### **Availability of Documents**

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: Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358–2280.

### Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

### **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-HQ-IA-2013-N080; FXIA16710900000P5-123-FF09A30000]

# **Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permit**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species, marine mammals, or both. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

**DATES:** We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before May 2, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358–2280; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Tania (703) 358-2104

Brenda Tapia, (703) 358–2104 (telephone); (703) 358–2280 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under ADDRESSES. Please include the Federal Register notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an email or address not listed under ADDRESSES. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments 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.

We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

B. May I review comments submitted by others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the street address listed under ADDRESSES. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. 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 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.

### II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), along with Executive Order 13576, "Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government," and the President's Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; January 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by