

Facilitating rescues of stranded SONCC coho salmon and CCC coho salmon will result in conservation of the threatened salmonid ESUs by preserving life or furthering our understanding of the species. By the very nature of the circumstances that trigger these actions, NMFS concludes that facilitating rescue activities is necessary and advisable.

For Modification 1 to permit 1046, the following change was incorporated into the take limits for the permit: The NPS is authorized to capture, transport, and release of 5000 juvenile CCC coho salmon associated with fish rescue operations within drainages on, and proximate to, National Park Service lands in Marin County, CA. The NPS may rescue juvenile CCC coho salmon, found in habitat areas where conditions are likely to result in eminent mortality; the fish must be released into habitat areas within the same watershed where the chance of long-term survival is increased.

For Modification 3 to permit 1067, the following changes were incorporated into the take limits for the permit: (1) The CDFG is authorized to capture, transport, and release 7,500 juvenile SONCC coho salmon associated with fish rescue operations throughout the California portion of the SONCC coho salmon ESU; (2) the CDFG is authorized to capture, transport, and release 7,500 juvenile CCC coho salmon associated with fish rescue operations throughout the CCC coho salmon ESU. The CDFG may rescue juvenile SONCC coho salmon and/or CCC coho salmon found in habitat areas where conditions are likely to result in eminent mortality; the fish must be released into habitat areas within the same watershed where the chance of long-term survival is increased.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Amended notice for applications for scientific research permits 1156 and 1335.

SUMMARY: NMFS is amending the notice for applications for ESA scientific research permits from United States Environmental Protection Agency in Corvallis, OR (EPA) and United States Forest Service (USFS) in Corvallis, OR.

DATES: Comments or requests for a public hearing on any of the applications must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see address) no later than 5 p.m. Pacific daylight time on December 10, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the applications should be sent to Protected Resources Division (PRD), F/NWO3, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-2737 (503-230-5400).

Comments may also be sent via fax to 503-230-5435. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cherelle Blazer, Portland, OR, phone: 503-231-2001, fax: 503-230-5435, e-mail: Cherelle.Blazer@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Species Covered in This Notice

Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): Endangered Upper Columbia River (UCR), Threatened Lower Columbia River (LCR), Threatened Puget Sound (PS)

Steelhead (*O. mykiss*): Endangered UCR, Threatened Middle Columbia River (MCR), Threatened LCR, Threatened Upper Willamette River (UWR)

Chum salmon (????): Threatened Columbia River (CR), Threatened Hood Canal summer-run (HC)

Amended Notice

On April 19, 2000, NMFS published a notification (65 FR 20954) that EPA requested an amendment to a modification request for permit 1156. The request was to take LCR chinook salmon associated with research designed to collect data to enforce the Clean Water Act in the Pacific Northwest. EPA had also requested take of UW steelhead associated with the research but it was not included in the notice. The additional species were requested because an additional sampling location was added to the research to accommodate and coordinate with the Regional Environmental Monitoring and Assessment Program in the Cascades Ecoregion. The EPA proposes to capture (using electrofishing), examine, and release fish. The modification as

amended is requested to be valid for the duration of the permit, which expires on December 31, 2002.

On July 20, 2001, NMFS published a notice (66 FR 37947) that USFS requested 5-year permit (1335) to take adult and juvenile CR chum salmon in three tributaries of the Columbia River in Washington state. EPA had also requested take of juvenile UCR, LCR, and PS chinook salmon; UCR, MCR, and LCR steelhead; and CR and HC chum salmon associated with the research but they were not included in the notice. USFS proposes to capture (using backpack electrofishing), anesthetize, measure, and release fish. USFS also requests juvenile fish indirect mortality associated with the research.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Performance Review Board (PRB)

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; update membership list of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Performance Review Board.

SUMMARY: In conformance with the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978, 5 U.S.C. 4314(c)(4), the United States Patent and Trademark Office announces the appointment of persons to serve as members of its Performance Review Board.

ADDRESSES: Director, Office of Human Resources, United States Patent and Trademark Office, One Crystal Park, Suite 707, Washington, DC 20231.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sydney Rose at (703) 305-8062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The membership of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Performance Review Board is as follows:

Clarence Crawford, Chair, Chief Financial Officer and Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231, Term expires September 30, 2003.

Nicholas Godici, Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC