

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus dorcus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has information collection approval from OMB through March 31, 2004, 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 within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281.

Dated: September 7, 2001.

Michael S. Moore,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

On July 3, 2001, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 35265), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Charles W. Helscel for a permit (PRT-044695) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*), taken from the Northern Beaufort Sea population, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on August 20, 2001, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On August 7, 2001, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 41260), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Fish and Wildlife Service/Marine Mammal Management, Anchorage, AK

for a permit (PRT-046081) to take (harass) polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*), for the purpose of scientific research while conducting aerial population surveys.

Notice is hereby given that on August 21, 2001 as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein. This permit was issued prior to the close of the formal comment period, as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 1374 Section 104 (c)(3)(A), after it was determined that a delay in issuing the permit could result in the loss of unique research opportunities.

Documents and other information submitted for these applications are available for review by any party who submits a written request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone (703) 358-2104 or fax (703) 358-2281.

Dated: September 7, 2001.

Michael S. Moore,

Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Technology Transfer Act of 1986

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed Cooperative Research & Development Agreement (CRADA) Negotiations.

SUMMARY: The United States Geological Survey (USGS) is contemplating entering into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with Alpha DVD, LLC for the development of DVD formats relating to earth science topics.

Inquiries: If any other parties are interested in similar activities with the USGS, please contact Jerry McFaul, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, MS 918, Reston, Virginia, 20192, telephone (703) 648-7126.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is submitted to meet the USGS

requirements stipulated in Survey Manual Chapter 500.20.

P. Patrick Leahy,

Associate Director for Geology, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Technology Transfer Act of 1986

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed Cooperative Research & Development Agreement (CRADA) Negotiations.

SUMMARY: The United States Geological Survey (USGS) is contemplating entering into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with MarketPoint, Inc. for the development of regionalized Resource Analysis and Economic Models based on various USGS energy data bases.

Inquiries: If any other parties are interested in similar activities with the USGS, please contact Donald Gautier, U.S. Geological Survey, Bldg. 15 McKelvey Bldg—MS 975., 345 Middlefield Rd., Menlo Park, CA 94025, telephone (650) 329-4909.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is submitted to meet the USGS requirements stipulated in Survey Manual Chapter 500.20.

P. Patrick Leahy,

Associate Director for Geology, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Technology Transfer Act of 1986

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of proposed Cooperative Research & Development Agreement (CRADA) Negotiations.

SUMMARY: The United States Geological Survey (USGS) is contemplating entering into a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with the Northwest Geophysical Associates to develop Northern Alaska Geophysical Models.

Inquiries: If any other parties are interested in similar activities with the USGS, please contact Richard W. Saltus,

U.S. Geological Survey, Energy Resources Team, MS 939 Box 25046 Denver Federal Center, telephone (303) 236-1647.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is submitted to meet the USGS requirements stipulated in Survey Manual Chapter 500.20.

P. Patrick Leahy,

Associated Director for Geology, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Rescheduled Scoping Meetings for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Renewal of the Federal Agreement and Grant of Right-of-Way for the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS).

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of rescheduled Scoping Meetings for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Renewal of the Federal Agreement and Grant of Right-of-Way for the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System (TAPS).

SUMMARY: The BLM is rescheduling scoping meetings originally scheduled to occur on September 12, 2001, in Barrow, Alaska and September 13, 2001, in Fairbanks, Alaska, and is extending the scoping period. The Notice of Intent establishing the original scoping period and notifying the public of meeting times was published in the **Federal Register** on July 31, 2001 (Vol. 66, No. 147, p. 39529). The tragic events of September 11, 2001 and the resultant disruption of air traffic made the postponement and extension necessary.

The BLM will hold rescheduled public scoping meetings for the EIS in these communities as listed below (specific meeting times and places will be announced through local media, project web site, and by e-mail): Fairbanks, Alaska: Wednesday, October 10, 2001

Barrow, Alaska: Friday, October 12, 2001

The public scoping period, originally scheduled to end on September 29, is extended to October 19.

DATES: The BLM will accept written comments on the EIS scope postmarked by October 19, 2001; and electronic, faxed, and voice comments received by October 19, 2001. Written comments

may also be hand-delivered to the Joint Pipeline Office in Anchorage, Alaska, by 4 p.m. on October 19, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be mailed to BLM TAPS Renewal Scoping, Argonne National Laboratory EAD/900, 9700 S. Cass Avenue, Argonne, IL 60439. As an alternative, written comments can be hand-delivered to BLM TAPS Renewal Scoping, 411 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 2, Anchorage, AK. (Do not mail them to this address.) Comments also can be e-mailed to tapseis@anl.gov, submitted through the "Public Comment Form" feature on the TAPS Renewal EIS Web site at <http://tapseis.anl.gov>, by fax toll free to 866-386-7350, or by voice message toll free at 866-386-7331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Rob McWhorter, 907-271-3664, Joint Pipeline Office, 411 W 4th Avenue, Suite 2, Anchorage, AK 99501, rmcwhort@jpo.doi.gov, or visit the TAPS Right-of-Way Renewal Web site at <http://www.tapsrenewal.jpo.doi.gov> or the TAPS Renewal EIS Web site at <http://tapseis.anl.gov>.

Withholding of Personal Information: It is the BLM's practice to make comments, including names and addresses of commenters, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual commenters may request that we withhold their home address from the scoping record, and we will honor such requests to the extent allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: September 13, 2001.

Francis R. Cherry, Jr.,

State Director, Alaska.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Veterans' Employment and Training Service; Proposed Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Eligibility Data Form: Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act and Veteran's Preference (USERRA/VP)

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) [44 U.S.C. 3506 C (2)(A)]. This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently the Veterans' Employment and Training Service (VETS) is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection request for the VETS USERRA/VP Form 1010.

DATE: Comments are to be submitted by November 20, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Comments are to be submitted to the Veterans' Employment and Training Service, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-1316, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20210, telephone (202) 693-4711. Written comments limited to 10 pages or fewer may also be transmitted by facsimile to (202) 693-4755. Receipt of submissions, whether by U.S. mail, e-mail or FAX transmittal, will not be acknowledged; however, the sender may request confirmation that a submission has been received, by telephoning VETS at (202) 693-4711.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Contact Charles N. Dawson, Office of Compliance, Veterans' Employment and Training Service, U.S. Department of Labor, Room S-1316, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20210, telephone: (202) 693-4711 (Voice) or (800) 670-7008 (TTY/TDD). Copies of the referenced information collection request are available for inspection and copying through VETS and will be mailed to persons who request copies by telephoning Mr. Charles N. Dawson at (202) 693-4711.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The purposes of the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act (USERRA) and this information collection requirement include: protect and facilitate the prompt reemployment of members of the uniformed services (to include National Guard and Reserves); to minimize disruption to the lives of persons who perform service in the