

The proposed Agreement clarifies management responsibilities and expectations of the Service, WDFW, and prospective participants. When signed, the Agreement may serve as the basis for additional enhancement of survival permit applications. To be considered for a permit, each participant will need to complete and submit to the Service a Federal Fish and Wildlife Permit Application Form. An issued permit would authorize incidental take of CBPRs that are above the baseline conditions of their enrolled property.

In addition to submitting a Permit application, prospective participants would also need to develop a Site Plan, in cooperation with the Service, that identifies the specific properties to be enrolled and documents the baseline conditions, existing and proposed future land-use activities, and agreed-upon conservation measures that would be expected to provide a net conservation benefit for the CBPR on the enrolled properties. Each prospective participant and the Service would need to sign the completed Site Plan, which will remain within the scope of, and tiered to, the proposed Agreement.

We anticipate that the proposed Agreement would result in the following benefits to the CBPR: (1) Appropriate habitats will be maintained on enrolled properties and be available for use by CBPRs released at the recovery emphasis areas; (2) habitats on enrolled properties will facilitate dispersal of newly released CBPRs and enhance connectivity of recovery emphasis areas; (3) new subpopulations of CBPRs may form on enrolled properties through natural population expansion; (4) additional wild CBPRs may be located on properties being

considered for enrollment and be secured for captive breeding and/or translocation efforts, which will improve the overall recovery outlook for the species; (5) monitoring and future collection of biological information concerning the CBPR (e.g., dispersal, survival, productivity) will be improved through cooperative management efforts on enrolled properties; (6) research and adaptive management for the CBPR can be made more comprehensive if implemented at a broader scale through facilitated access to enrolled properties; and (7) successful implementation of cooperative, voluntary conservation measures will increase public awareness and support for CBPR recovery efforts.

This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the ESA and NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6). The Service will evaluate the permit applications, associated documents, and comments submitted thereon to determine whether the proposed Agreement and permit applications meet the requirements of NEPA regulations and section 10(a) of the ESA. If it is determined that the requirements are met, the Agreement will be finalized and signed and these permits will be issued to the Applicants for incidental take of the covered species. The final NEPA and permit determinations will not be completed until after the end of the 30-day comment period, and will fully consider all public comments received during the comment period.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Issuance of Permits

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

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of permits for marine mammals.

**SUMMARY:** The following permits were issued.

**ADDRESSES:** 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: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358-2104.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that on the dates below, 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 issued the requested permits subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

#### Marine Mammals

Permit number	Applicant	Receipt of application <b>Federal Register</b> notice	Permit issuance date
121219 .....	Michael J. Wilmet .....	71 FR 28881; May 18, 2006 .....	August 16, 2006.
123246 .....	Richard J. Edelen .....	71 FR 31197; June 1, 2006 .....	August 14, 2006.
123490 .....	Gibson D. Lewis .....	71 FR 31197; June 1, 2006 .....	August 14, 2006.
125092 .....	John W. Hoose, Jr. ....	71 FR 31197; June 1, 2006 .....	August 14, 2006.
125138 .....	Carl O. Clapp, III .....	71 FR 31197; June 1, 2006 .....	August 15, 2006.

Dated: August 18, 2006.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Availability of the Proposed Roan Plateau Resource Management Plan Amendment/Final Environmental Impact Statement, Colorado

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1701 *et seq.*), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Proposed Resource Management Plan Amendment/Final Environmental Impact Statement (PRMPA/FEIS) for the Roan Plateau planning area.

**DATES:** The BLM Planning Regulations (43 CFR 1610.5-2) state that any person