

Kentucky. Indiana bat surveys are also conducted throughout the species range in the southeast and midwestern United States.

**Applicant:** Geosyntac Consultants, Inc., Kennesaw, Georgia, TE095972

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to capture, identify, and release Conasauga logperch (*Percina jenkinsi*), blue shiner (*Cyprinella caerulea*), amber darter (*Percina antesella*), goldline darter (*Percina aurolineata*), Etowah darter (*Etheostoma etowahae*), snail darter (*Percina tanasi*), and Cherokee darter (*Etheostoma scotti*) for presence/absence surveys throughout the species ranges in Georgia. The applicant requests amendment of this authorization to add eleven species of mussels and to add flatwoods salamander (*Ambystoma cingulatum*) and eastern indigo snake (*Drymarchon corais couperi*) for presence/absence surveys throughout the species ranges in Georgia.

**Applicant:** The University of Florida, Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center, Davie, Florida, TE077258

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to capture, tag, salvage, collect blood and tissue, and release American crocodiles (*Crocodylus acutus*) for research and monitoring populations throughout the species range in Florida.

**Applicant:** Mark Merchant, McNeese State University, Lake Charles, Louisiana, TE196632

The applicant requests authorization to capture, collect blood and tissue, and release American crocodiles for research purposes throughout the species range in Florida.

**Applicant:** Register-Nelson, Inc., McDonough, Georgia, TE114088

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to capture, identify, and release blue shiner (*Cyprinella caerulea*), Etowah darter (*Etheostoma etowahae*), Cherokee darter (*Etheostoma scotti*), amber darter (*Percina antesella*), goldline darter (*Percina aurolineata*), snail darter (*Percina tanasi*), Conasauga logperch (*Percina jenkinsi*), and the eastern indigo snake (*Drymarchon corais couperi*) for presence/absence surveys throughout the species ranges in Georgia.

**Applicant:** Hopi Hoekstra, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, TE095962

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to capture, tag,

collect tissue samples, and release, Perdido Key (*Peromyscus polionotus trissyllepsis*), Choctawhatchee (*P.p. polionotus*), and St. Andrews (*P.p. peninsularis*) beach mice while conducting research activities throughout Florida.

**Applicant:** Christopher Skelton, Athens, Georgia, TE121073

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to capture, identify, and release seven species of fish and seventeen species of mussel for presence/absence surveys throughout the species ranges in Georgia.

**Applicant:** Tampa's Lowry Park Zoo, Tampa, Florida, TE763742

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to receive and maintain in captivity Florida panthers (*Felis concolor coryi*) in cooperation with the State of Florida and the Service for species recovery activities.

**Applicant:** Ronald Rohrbaugh, Cornell Lab of Ornithology, Ithaca, New York, TE108852

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to harass ivory-billed woodpeckers (*Campephilus principalis*) for survey and research purposes throughout the species potential range in the southeastern and Midwestern United States.

**Applicant:** James B. Layzer, Tennessee Cooperative Fishery Research Unit, Cookeville, Tennessee, TE078207

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to capture, retain for captive propagation, and release seventeen species of mussels while conducting research and recovery-related activities throughout the species ranges in Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina, and Kentucky.

**Applicant:** Sunlight Gardens, Anderson, Tennessee, TE125626

The applicant requests renewal of existing authorization to sell in interstate commerce artificially propagated specimens of Tennessee purple coneflower (*Echinaceae tennesseensis*) and Cumberland rosemary (*Conradina verticillata*).

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**Cynthia K. Dohner,**

*Acting Regional Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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### Receipt of Applications for Permit

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The public is invited to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species.

**DATES:** Written data, comments or requests must be received by December 1, 2008.

**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 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 212, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

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

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Endangered Species

The public is invited to comment on the following applications for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

**Applicant:** Michael A. Jarvis, Oregon Health and Science University, Portland, OR, PRT-190313

The applicant requests a permit to acquire fibroblast cell cultures from one female captive born gorilla (*Gorilla gorilla*) in interstate commerce from Coriell Cell Repository, Camden, NJ, for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers the one-time acquisition only.

**Applicant:** Fred H. Gage, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, San Diego, CA, PRT-191132

The applicant requests a permit to acquire fibroblast cell cultures from one male captive born chimpanzee (*Pan troglodytes*) and one male and one

female bonobo (*Pan paniscus*) in interstate commerce from Coriell Cell Repository, Camden, NJ, for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers the one-time acquisition only.

**Applicant:** Sherry V. Nelson,  
Department of Anthropology,  
University of New Mexico,  
Albuquerque, NM, PRT-194491

The applicant requests a permit to import powdered tooth enamel from chimpanzees (*Pan troglodytes*) found dead in the wild in Uganda, for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers the one-time importation only.

**Applicant:** Wildlife Conservation Society, Bronx, NY, PRT-195916

The applicant requests a permit to export two male and two female captive born Western gorillas (*Gorilla gorilla*) to the Calgary Zoo, Canada for the purpose of enhancement of the species through captive breeding and conservation education.

**Applicant:** University of Florida, Florida Museum of Natural History, Gainesville, FL, PRT-193170

The applicant requests a permit to import specimens from endangered Crocodilian species from various museums and scientific institutions around the world for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a five-year period.

**Applicant:** Kenneth E. Buch, Silver Spring, MD, PRT-193458

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** David Clemente, Laredo, TX, PRT-195244

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** Wesley E. Hixon, Wildwood, GA, PRT-195911

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** Trent B. Latshaw, Tulsa, OK, PRT-196067

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** Roger D. Barker,  
Birmingham, AL, PRT-196611

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** Russell C. Murphy, Little Rock, AR, PRT-196610

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** Gary L. Joeris, San Antonio, TX, PRT-196633

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** Robert W. Barnes, San Antonio, TX, PRT-195287

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

**Applicant:** Raymond M. Waters, III, Columbus, MS, PRT-196478

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) 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.

Dated: October 17, 2008.

**Lisa J. Lierheimer,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Rate Adjustments for Indian Irrigation Projects

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed rate adjustments.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) owns, or has an interest in, irrigation projects located on or associated with various Indian reservations throughout the United States. We are required to establish irrigation assessment rates to recover the costs to administer, operate, maintain, and rehabilitate these projects. We request your comments on the proposed rate adjustments.

**DATES:** Interested parties may submit comments on the proposed rate adjustments on or before *December 29, 2008*.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments on the proposed rate adjustments must be in writing and addressed to: John Anevski, Chief, Division of Irrigation, Power and Safety of Dams, Office of Trust Services, Mail Stop 4655-MIB, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, Telephone (202) 208-5480.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For details about a particular irrigation project, please use the tables in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section to contact the regional or local office where the project is located.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The first table in this notice provides contact information for individuals who can give further information about the irrigation projects covered by this notice. The second table provides the current 2008 irrigation assessment rates, the proposed rates for the 2009 irrigation season, and proposed rates for subsequent years where these are available.

#### What is the meaning of the key terms used in this notice?

In this notice:

*Administrative costs* means all costs we incur to administer our irrigation projects at the local project level and is a cost factor included in calculating your O&M assessment. Costs incurred at the local project level do not normally include Agency, Region, or Central Office costs unless we state otherwise in writing.

*Assessable acre* means lands designated by us to be served by one of our irrigation projects, for which we collect assessments in order to recover