

Number of Respondents: 150.
Average Hours Per Response: 1.
Needs and Uses: Section 315 of the National Marine Sanctuaries Act (16 U.S.C. 1445a) allows the Secretary of Commerce to establish one or more advisory councils to provide advice to the Secretary regarding the designation and management of national marine sanctuaries. Councils are individually chartered for each sanctuary to meet the needs of that sanctuary. Once a council has been chartered, the Sanctuary Manager starts a process to recruit members for that Council by providing notice to the public and asking interested parties to apply for the available seats. An application form and answers to guidelines for a narrative submission must be submitted to the Sanctuary Manager.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other for-profit organizations, and not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: January 31, 2003.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 012903D]

Marine Mammals; File No. 859-1680

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the United States Air Force,

Environmental Management Office, Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA 93437 has been issued a permit to take California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*), northern elephant seals (*Mirounga angustirostris*), northern fur seals (*Callorhinus ursinus*), and Pacific harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina richardsi*) for purposes of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376; and

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4001; fax (562)980-4018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Tammy Adams or Amy Sloan, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On October 10, 2002, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 63079) that a request for a scientific research permit to take the above listed species had been submitted by the above-named organization. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*).

The permit is valid for 5 years and authorizes annual takes of up to 1200 California sea lions, 750 northern elephant seals, 300 northern fur seals, and 700 harbor seals inhabiting Vandenberg Air Force Base and the northern Channel Islands annually by harassment during various activities including capture, sedation, blood sampling, skin biopsy, physiological measurements, hearing sensitivity tests, attachment of scientific instruments, temporary captive maintenance, recapture for retrieval of instruments, surveys of abundance and distribution, incidental harassment, and accidental mortality. The movements and foraging behavior of seals exposed to launch noise and/or sonic booms will be compared with non-exposed control animals using remote VHF radio-telemetry, satellite transmitters, and electronic data loggers.

Dated: February 3, 2003.

Stephen L. Leathery,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 10, 2003.

Title and OMB Number: Defense Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 243, Contract Modification and related clause at DFARS 252.243-7002; OMB Number 0704-0397.

Type of Request: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection

Number of Respondents: 440

Responses Per Respondent: 1

Annual Responses: 440

Average Burden Per Response: 4.8 hours (average)

Annual Burden Hours: 2,120

Needs and Uses: This request concerns information collection requirements related to certification of contractor requests for equitable adjustment.

Affected Public: Business or Other Not-For-Profit and Not-for-Profit Institutions

Frequency: On Occasion

Respondent's Obligation: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jacqueline Zeiher

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Zeiher at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.