

except North Atlantic right whales (*Eubalaena glacialis*), and up to 700 ft. (213 m) directly above and at slant range in fixed- and rotary-winged aircraft, and 500 ft. (152 m) directly above and 350 ft. (107 m) slant range using an aerostat (blimp) for right whales. The permit holder requested an amendment to the permit to allow approaching North Atlantic right whales up to 100 ft. (31 m) in a variety of small vessels, including kayaks, for the purpose of photo-identification.

Dated: November 26, 2001.

**Ann D. Terbush,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 112001B]

#### Marine Mammals; File No. 1022-1659

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Doyle A. Hanan, Ph.D., P.O. Box 8914, Rancho Santa Fe, California 92067, has applied in due form for a permit to take California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) for purposes of scientific research.

**DATES:** Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before December 31, 2001.

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

Permits and Documentation 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:** Amy Sloan or Ruth Johnson, (301) 713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and

Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The applicant proposes to test the hypothesis that relatively few local California sea lions break through bait receiver walls and damage bait fish at various California harbors. To test this, the applicant proposes to radio tag and track sea lions that exhibit territorial behavior near bait receivers and document interaction patterns at bait receivers. The results of this study will help institute measures to eliminate intentional or accidental feeding of sea lions at selected bait receivers.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or by other electronic media.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: November 26, 2001.

**Ann D. Terbush,**

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072600B]

#### Marine Mammals; File Application No. 1004-1656

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Funtime, Inc. d/b/a Six Flags Worlds of Adventure, 1060 North Aurora Road, Aurora, OH 44202, has applied in due form for a permit to import two killer whales (*Orcinus orca*) for the purposes of public display.

**DATES:** Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before December 31, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** The application 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 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA, 01930-2298 (978/281-9116).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this request should be submitted to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular permit request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or other electronic media.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Skidmore or Amy Sloan, (301/713-2289).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject application for Permit No. 1004-1656-00 is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The applicant requests authorization to import two killer whales (*Orcinus orca*), one adult female from Marineland S.A., Antibes, France and one adult male from Mundo Marino, Buenos Aires, Argentina, to Funtime, Inc. d/b/a Six Flags Worlds of Adventure in Aurora, Ohio. The applicant requests these imports for the purpose of public display. The receiving facility, Six Flags Worlds of Adventure, 1060 North

Aurora Road, Aurora, OH 44202 is: (1) open to the public on regularly scheduled basis with access that is not limited or restricted other than by charging an admission fee; (2) offers an educational program based on professionally accepted standards of the AZA and the Alliance for Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums; and (3) holds an Exhibitor's License, number 31-C-0137, issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act.

In addition to determining whether the applicant meets the three public display criteria, NMFS must determine whether the applicant has demonstrated that the proposed activity is humane and does not represent any unnecessary risks to the health and welfare of marine mammals; that the proposed activity by itself or in combination with other activities, will not likely have a significant adverse impact on the species or stock; and that the applicant's expertise, facilities and resources are adequate to accomplish successfully the objectives and activities stated in the application.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: November 26, 2001.

**Ann D. Terbush,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0035]

### Federal Acquisition Regulation; Proposed Collection; Claims and Appeals

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA),

and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning claims and appeals. The clearance currently expires on March 31, 2002.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before January 29, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), 1800 F Street, NW., Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rhonda Cundiff, Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-0044.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### A. Purpose

It is the Government's policy to try to resolve all contractual issues by mutual agreement at the contracting officer's level without litigation. Contractor's claims must be submitted in writing to the contracting officer for a decision. Claims exceeding \$100,000 must be accompanied by a certification that (1) the claim is made in good faith; (2) supporting data are accurate and complete; and (3) the amount requested accurately reflects the contract adjustment for which the contractor believes the Government is liable. Contractors may appeal the contracting

officer's decision by submitting written appeals to the appropriate officials.

### B. Annual Reporting Burden

*Respondents:* 4,500.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 3.

*Annual Responses:* 13,500.

*Hours Per Response:* 1.

*Total Burden Hours:* 13,500.

### Obtaining Copies of Proposals

Requester may obtain a copy of the proposal from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVP), Room 4035, 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0035, Claims and Appeals, in all correspondence.

Dated: November 26, 2001.

**Al Matera,**

*Director, Acquisition Policy Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Army; Corps of Engineers

### Intent To Prepare A Joint Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (SEIS/R) for the Hamilton Army Airfield Wetland Restoration Project To Include The Bel Marin Keys Unit V Property, Marin County, CA

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DOD.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District (Corps) in collaboration with the California Coastal Conservancy (Conservancy) and the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (BCDC) are proposing to restore wetlands on the 1,610-acre Bel Marin Keys Unit V (BMKV) property as an expansion of the Hamilton Wetland Restoration Project at the Hamilton Army Air Field (HAAF). This SEIS/R will supplement the combined EIS/R, which was prepared for the Hamilton Wetland Restoration Project in 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions about the proposed action and SEIS/R can be answered by: Eric Jolliffe, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, San Francisco District, 333 Market St., 7th floor, San Francisco, CA 94105, [ejolliffe@spd.usace.army.mil](mailto:ejolliffe@spd.usace.army.mil), (415) 977-8543. Information on the project can be found on the web at <http://www.coastalconservancy.ca.gov/belmarin>. Written comments can also be