

acres burned in Bastrop County, Texas, much of which was habitat for the endangered Houston toad. The Houston toad usually emerges and becomes active at the end of January or in early February. Without authorized personnel to salvage individuals, the ongoing Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) clean-up may be delayed or Houston toads may be needlessly harmed or killed. We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have authorized researchers employed by FEMA, under an Endangered Species Act (ESA) permit, to survey for, collect, and relocate Houston toads that may be affected by the FEMA clean-up.

ADDRESSES: Documents and other information concerning the permit are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act. Documents will be available for public inspection, by appointment only, during normal business hours at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 500 Gold Ave. SW., Room 6034, Albuquerque, NM 87103.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Jacobsen, Chief, Endangered Species Division, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, NM 87103; (505) 248-6920.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) clean-up in Bastrop County, Texas, after the September 4 through October 10, 2011, fire may be delayed or the endangered Houston toad (*Bufo houstonensis*) may be needlessly harmed or killed without authorized personnel to salvage individuals. Because the Houston toad usually emerges and becomes active at the end of January or in early February, we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have authorized Jacob T. Jackson and James H. Bell (TE-64710A), under an Endangered Species Act (ESA) permit, to immediately aid Houston toads that may be affected by the FEMA clean-up. Efforts to salvage adults, juveniles, tadpoles, or egg masses are currently taking place and will continue on an ongoing basis until the FEMA clean-up is completed.

Salvage of Houston toads may include the following activities: collect as adults, juveniles, tadpoles, or eggs from areas or under conditions that will likely result in their dessication or destruction; transport to the Welsh property in Bastrop County, Texas, and release into exclosures or the headstarting facility until they can be returned to the wild; or transported to the Houston toad captive breeding or captive assurance colony at the Houston Zoo.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: February 2, 2012.

Joy E. Nicholopoulos,

*Acting Regional Director, Southwest Region,
Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

**[FWS-R9-IA-2012-N035;
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Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

DATES: We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before March 12, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358-2280; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2280 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an email or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please

confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

B. May I review comments submitted by others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), along with Executive Order 13576, “Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government,” and the President’s Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; January 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by disclosing information to the public, we invite public comment on these permit applications before final action is taken.

III. Permit Applications

A. Endangered Species

Applicant: Thomas Moore, Kerrville, TX; PRT-690098

The applicant requests amendment and renewal of his captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to include the barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Kyle Wildlife Limited Partnership, Bandera, TX; PRT-731315

The applicant requests amendment of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to add scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Kyle Wildlife Limited Partnership, Bandera, TX; PRT-828861

The applicant requests amendment of their permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export and cull to include scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*) from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Hatada Enterprises, Inc., Valley Mills, TX; PRT-60391A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*) from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Cedar Hill Birds, Acampo, CA; PRT-63868A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the blue-throated parakeet (*Pyrrhura cruentata*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This

notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Bar H Bar Land & Cattle Company, Houston, TX; PRT-63871A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Bar H Bar Land & Cattle Company, Houston, TX; PRT-63872A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), from the captive herd maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: NH&S Holdings, LLC, Valley Mills, TX; PRT-64164A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: NH&S Holdings, LLC, Valley Mills, TX; PRT-64164A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), from the captive herd maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Indianhead Ranch, Inc., Del Rio, TX; PRT-64482A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Indianhead Ranch, Inc., Del Rio, TX; PRT-64481A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*) and Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*) from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Recordbuck Ranch, Utopia, TX; PRT-64161A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Recordbuck Ranch, Utopia, TX; PRT-64161A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*), from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: H&L Sales, Hunt, TX; PRT-667872

The applicant requests amendment of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to add addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: H&L Sales, Hunt, TX; PRT-704025

The applicant requests amendment of their permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export and cull to include addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*) from the captive herd maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Leslie Barnhart, Westhoff, TX; PRT-128054

The applicant requests amendment and renewal of his captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to include the barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*) and addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Leslie Barnhart, Westhoff, TX; PRT-128056

The applicant requests renewal and amendment of their permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export and cull to include barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*) and addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*) from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: John Ball Zoological Garden, Grand Rapids, MI; PRT-680321

The applicant requests renewal of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following families, genus, and species, to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Families:

- Callitricidae
- Felidae (*does not* include jaguar, margay, or ocelot)
- Canidae
- Lemuridae

Applicant: Phoenix Zoo, Phoenix, AZ; PRT-678366

The applicant requests renewal of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following families, genus, and species, to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Families:

- Bovidae
- Callitricidae
- Canidae
- Cebidae
- Cercopithecidae
- Cervidae
- Equidae
- Felidae (*does not* include jaguar, margay, or ocelot)
- Hominidae
- Hylobatidae
- Lemuridae
- Macropodidae

- Tapiridae
- Cathartidae
- Columbidae
- Ploceidae
- Psittacidae (*does not* include thick-billed parrots)
- Rallidae
- Rheidae
- Strigidae
- Struthionidae
- Sturnidae (*does not* include *Aplonis pelzelni*)
- Tinamidae
- Alligatoridae
- Crocodylidae (*does not* include American crocodile)
- Pelomedusidae
- Testudinidae
- Species
- Asian elephant (*Elephas maximus*)

Applicant: Zoo Boise, Boise, ID; PRT-781629

The applicant requests amendment of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to add maned wolf (*Chrysocyon brachyurus*) and parma wallaby (*Macropus parma*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Bamberger Ranch Preserve, Johnson City, TX; PRT-64742A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Diamond J Game Ranch, Eden, TX; PRT-64775A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*) and scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Diamond J Game Ranch, Eden, TX; PRT-64776A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*) and scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Kent Creek Ranch, Inc., Leakey, TX; PRT-64653A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Kent Creek Ranch, Inc., Leakey, TX; PRT-64652A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), from the captive herd maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Palfam Ranch Management LLC, Giddings, TX; PRT-64737A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), and Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Palfam Ranch Management LLC, Giddings, TX; PRT-64737A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess barasingha (*Rucervus duvaucelii*), scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), and Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Mathias Family Investments LLC, Hext, TX; PRT-64743A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Mathias Family Investments LLC, Hext, TX; PRT-64744A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), from

the captive herd maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Larry Friesenhahn, Mico, TX; PRT-64724A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Larry Friesenhahn, Mico, TX; PRT-64723A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), from the captive herd maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Double Springs Partnership, Ltd., Walnut Springs, TX; PRT-64654A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Double Springs Partnership, Ltd., Walnut Springs, TX; PRT-64656A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), from the captive herd maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Jetton Ranch, Junction, TX; PRT-64740A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*), and Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Jetton Ranch, Junction, TX; PRT-64741A

The applicant requests a permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export, and cull of excess scimitar-horned oryx (*Oryx dammah*) and Addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*) from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Ricardo Longoria, Natalia, TX; PRT-192404

The applicant requests amendment of their captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) to add addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*) to enhance their propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Ricardo Longoria, Natalia, TX; PRT-192403

The applicant requests amendment of their permit authorizing interstate and foreign commerce, export and cull to include addax (*Addax nasomaculatus*), and dama gazelle (*Nanger dama*) from the captive herds maintained at their facility for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: National Museum of Natural History, Washington, DC; PRT-125284

The applicant requests a permit to export and re-import nonliving museum specimens of endangered and threatened species previously accessioned into the applicant's collection for scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Robin Thigpen, Jacksonville, FL; PRT-65030A

The applicant requests a permit to import a 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.

Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey.

SUMMARY: Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Alaska.

Survey Descriptions: The plat(s) and field notes, representing the retracement and dependent resurvey of portions of U.S. Survey No. 4615, Alaska, located within the Barrow Townsite, situated within Tps. 22 and 23 N., R. 18 W., Umiat Meridian, Alaska.

DATES: The plat of survey described above is scheduled to be officially filed in the Alaska State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Anchorage, Alaska, March 12, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office; 222 W. 7th Ave., Stop 13; Anchorage, AK 99513-7599.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael H. Schoder, Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Cadastral Survey, BLM-Alaska State Office; 222 W. 7th Ave., Stop 13; Anchorage, AK 99513-7599; Tel: 907-271-5481; fax: 907-271-4549; email: mschoder@blm.gov.

Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The survey plat(s) and field notes will be available for inspection in the Public Information Center, Alaska State Office, Bureau of Land Management, 222 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, 99513-7599; telephone (907) 271-5960. Copies may be obtained from this office for a minimum recovery fee.

If a protest against the survey is received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest. A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed.

A person or party who wishes to protest against this survey must file a written response with the Alaska State Director, Bureau of Land Management, stating that they wish to protest.