

² Best abundance estimate. For most taxa, the best abundance estimate for purposes of comparison with take estimates is considered here to be the model-predicted abundance (Roberts *et al.*, 2016). For those taxa where a density surface model predicting abundance by month was produced, the maximum mean seasonal abundance was used. For those taxa where abundance is not predicted by month, only mean annual abundance is available. For the Rice's whale and killer whale, the larger estimated SAR abundance estimate is used.

³ The final rule refers to the GOM Bryde's whale (*Balaenoptera edeni*). These whales were subsequently described as a new species, Rice's whale (*Balaenoptera ricei*) (Rosel *et al.*, 2021).

⁴ Modeled take of 1 decreased to zero. For rough-toothed dolphin, use of the exposure modeling produces results that are smaller than the average GOM group size (*i.e.*, estimated exposure value of 1, relative to assumed average group size of 14) (Maze-Foley and Mullin, 2006). NMFS' typical practice is to increase exposure estimates to the assumed average group size for a species in order to ensure that, if the species is encountered, exposures will not exceed the authorized take number. However, given the very short survey duration and small estimated exposure value NMFS has determined that is unlikely the species would be encountered at all. As a result, in this case NMFS has not authorized take for this species.

⁵ Modeled take of 7 increased to account for potential encounter with group of average size (Maze-Foley and Mullin, 2006).

⁶ Modeled take of less than 0.5 was rounded down to zero.

Based on the analysis contained herein of Echo's proposed survey activity described in its LOA application and the anticipated take of marine mammals, NMFS finds that small numbers of marine mammals will be taken relative to the affected species or stock sizes and therefore is of no more than small numbers.

Authorization

NMFS has determined that the level of taking for this LOA request is consistent with the findings made for the total taking allowable under the incidental take regulations and that the amount of take authorized under the LOA is of no more than small numbers. Accordingly, we have issued an LOA to Echo authorizing the take of marine mammals incidental to its geophysical survey activity, as described above.

Dated: December 2, 2022.

Kimberly Damon-Randall,

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XC595]

Marine Mammals; File No. 27029

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Echo Pictures Ltd., c/o Offspring Films, 1st & 2nd floor, Dock House, Welsh Back, Bristol, United Kingdom, BS1 4SB, has applied in due form for a permit to conduct commercial and educational photography on marine mammals.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or email comments must be received on or before January 6, 2023.

ADDRESSES: These documents are available upon written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov.

Written comments on this application should be submitted via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include File No. 27029 in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shasta McClenahan, Ph.D., or Carrie Hubard, (301) 427-8401.

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 film up to 24 species of non-listed marine mammals for a wildlife documentary series. Filming may occur on the U.S. east coast from Florida to Maine from platforms including vessels, unmanned aircraft systems, and underwater (snorkelers, divers, and towed, pole, or drop-in cameras). See the application for species and numbers of animals by filming platform. The permit is requested for 2 years.

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 the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: December 1, 2022.

Amy C. Sloan,

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

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 10 a.m. EST, Wednesday, December 14, 2022.

PLACE: CFTC headquarters office, Washington, DC.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

Enforcement matters. In the event that the time, date, or location of this meeting changes, an announcement of the change, along with the new time, date, and/or place of the meeting will be posted on the Commission's website at <https://www.cftc.gov/>.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Christopher Kirkpatrick, 202-418-5964.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552b.

Dated: December 5, 2022.

Christopher Kirkpatrick,

Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Charter Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committee—Defense Advisory Committee for the Prevention of Sexual Misconduct

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Charter renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the charter for the Defense Advisory

Committee for the Prevention of Sexual Misconduct (DAC-PSM).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, DoD Advisory Committee Management Officer, 703-697-1142.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DAC-PSM's charter is being renewed in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C., Appendix) and 41 CFR 102-3.55(a)(4). The charter and contact information for the DAC-PSM's Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The DAC-PSM provides the Secretary of Defense, Deputy Secretary of Defense ("the DoD Appointing Authority"), the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness (USD(P&R)), and, as applicable, the Secretary of Homeland Security, with independent advice and recommendations on the prevention of sexual assault (including rape, forcible sodomy, other sexual assault, and other sexual misconduct (including behaviors on the sexual assault continuum of harm)) involving members of the Armed Forces and the policies, programs, and practices of each Military Department, each Armed Force, each Military Service Academy (to include the United States Coast Guard Academy), at all DoD educational institutions and training facilities for the prevention of sexual assault, and other topics of special interest to the Department in response to specific tasks from the DoD Appointing Authority or the USD(P&R). The DAC-PSM is composed of no more than 20 members who are eminent authorities in the field and who have expertise in the prevention of sexual assault and behaviors on the sexual assault continuum of harm; adverse behaviors, including the prevention of suicide and the prevention of substance abuse; the change of culture of large organizations; implementation science; sexual assault prevention efforts of institutions of higher education, public health officials, and such other individuals as the DoD Appointing Authority considers appropriate. Members will consist of talented, innovative private sector leaders with a diversity of background, experience, and thought in support of the DAC-PSM missions.

Individual members are appointed according to DoD policy and procedures, and serve a term of service of one-to-four years with annual renewals. One member will be appointed as Chair of the DAC-PSM. No member, unless approved by the DoD Appointing Authority according to DoD policy and procedures, may serve more

than two consecutive terms of service on the DAC-PSM, or serve on more than two DoD Federal advisory committees at one time.

DAC-PSM members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees are appointed as experts or consultants, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109, to serve as special government employee members. DAC-PSM members who are full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees are designated pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.130(a), to serve as regular government employee members. In accordance with § 550B(b)(3) of the Fiscal Year 2020 National Defense Authorization Act, no active duty member of the Armed Forces shall be appointed as a DAC-PSM member.

All DAC-PSM members are appointed to provide advice based on their best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. Except for reimbursement of official DAC-PSM-related travel and per diem, members serve without compensation.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements about the DAC-PSM's mission and functions. Written statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the DAC-PSM. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the DAC-PSM, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: December 2, 2022.

Aaron T. Siegel,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees— Defense Health Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The DoD is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the Defense Health Board (DHB).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, DoD Advisory Committee Management Officer, 703-692-5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DHB is being renewed in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act

(FACA) (5 U.S.C., App.) and 41 CFR 102-3.50(d). The charter and contact information for the DHB's Designated Federal Officer (DFO) are found at <https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicAgencyNavigation>.

The DHB provides independent advice and recommendations to maximize the safety and quality of, as well as access to, health care for DoD health care beneficiaries. The DHB will focus on matters pertaining to a. DoD healthcare policy and program management; b. delivery of high-quality health care services to DoD beneficiaries; c. the promotion of health, wellness, and prevention within the DoD; d. the treatment of disease and injury by the DoD; e. health research priorities; and f. other health-related matters of special interest to the DoD, as determined by the Secretary of Defense, the Deputy Secretary of Defense, ("the DoD Appointing Authority"), or the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness. All DHB work will be in response to written terms of reference approved by the DoD Appointing Authority or the USD(P&R), unless otherwise provided by in statute or Presidential directive.

The DHB is composed of no more than 20 members, and as determined by the DoD Appointing Authority, the DHB's total parent-level and subcommittee level membership cannot exceed 50 members unless otherwise directed by the DoD Appointing Authority. Membership will consist of private and public healthcare leaders with a diversity of background, experience, and thought in support of the DHB's mission in one or more of the following disciplines: health systems, clinical health care, infectious disease, public health, trauma medicine, beneficiary representation, health informatics, patient care safety/quality care, neuroscience, and/or behavioral health. Individual members will be appointed according to DoD policy and procedures, and serve a term of service of one-to-four years with annual renewals. One member will be appointed as Chair of the DHB. No member, unless approved according to DoD policy and procedures, may serve more than two consecutive terms of service on the DHB, or serve on more than two DoD Federal advisory committees at one time.

DHB members who are not full-time or permanent part-time Federal civilian officers or employees, or active duty members of the Uniformed Services, will be appointed as experts or consultants pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3109 to serve as special government employee members. DHB members who are full-