

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 050802B]

**Marine Mammals; Permit No. 848-1335-09**

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of permit amendment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that The Honolulu Laboratory, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 2570 Dole Street, Honolulu, Hawaii 96822-2396 (Dr. R. Michael Laurs, Director; Principal Investigator), has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 848-1335-08 to extend the expiration date through December 31, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** The amendment 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;

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

Protected Species Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Rm. 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814-4700; phone (808) 973-2935; fax (808) 973-2941).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ruth Johnson or Amy Sloan, (301) 713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The requested amendment has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of § 216.39 of the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the provisions of § 222.306 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Issuance of this amendment, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit; and (3) is consistent with

the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: May 10, 2002.

**Eugene T. Nitta,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 040802A]

**Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish**

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of 39 research permits, six research permit modifications, eight research permit amendments, and withdrawal of two research permit applications.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS has issued 39 scientific research permits, six research permit modifications, eight research permit amendments and withdrew two research permit applications. NMFS withdrew the scientific research permit applications from the City of Kent Public Works in Kent, WA and the Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC) in Seattle, WA.

**ADDRESSES:** The applications and related documents are available for review in the following office, by appointment: Protected Resources Division, F/NW03, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232-2737 (phone: 503-230-5400, fax: 503-230-5435).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steve Stone, Portland, OR (phone: 503-231-2317, fax: 503-230-5435, e-mail: steve.stone@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Authority**

Scientific research and/or enhancement permits are issued under Section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the ESA, is based on a finding that such permits/modifications: (1) are applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of the permits; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the

ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits, modifications, and amendments are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR Parts 222-226).

**Species Covered in This Notice**

The following ESA-listed species and evolutionarily significant units (ESUs) are covered in this notice:

Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): Threatened Puget Sound (PS); threatened Lower Columbia River (LCR); threatened Snake River (SnR) spring/summer and fall; endangered Upper Columbia River (UCR); threatened Upper Willamette River (UWR).

Sockeye salmon (*O. nerka*): Endangered SnR.

Chum salmon (*O. keta*): Threatened Hood Canal summer-run (HCS); threatened Columbia River (CR).

Steelhead (*O. mykiss*): Threatened LCR; threatened Middle Columbia River (MCR); threatened SnR; threatened UWR; endangered UCR.

**Permits Issued***Permit 1175*

Notice was published on August 27, 1998 (63 FR 45799), and June 7, 2001 (66 FR 30704), that the U.S. Forest Service (USFS) in Vancouver, WA applied for a scientific research permit. NMFS issued permit 1175 on February 27, 2002, to the USFS authorizing annual takes of threatened LCR chinook salmon, threatened PS chinook salmon, threatened LCR steelhead, and threatened CR chum salmon. Permit 1175 expires on December 31, 2006.

*Permit 1229*

Notice was published on January 14, 2000 (65 FR 2381), that the Northern Wasco County Peoples' Utility District in The Dalles, OR (NWCPUD) applied for a scientific research permit. NMFS issued permit 1229 on March 8, 2002, to the NWCPUD authorizing annual direct takes of threatened SnR fall chinook salmon; threatened SnR spring/summer chinook salmon; endangered UCR spring chinook salmon; endangered SnR sockeye salmon; threatened MCR steelhead; threatened SnR steelhead; and endangered UCR steelhead. Permit 1229 expires on December 31, 2006.

*Permit 1246*

Notice was published on March 22, 2000 (65 FR 15312), that Douglas County Public Utility District No. 1 (PUD) in East Wenatchee, WA applied for a scientific research permit. NMFS