

collections for public comment. Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including any of the following subjects: (1) The necessity and utility of the proposed information collection for the proper performance of the agency's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology to minimize the information collection burden.

1. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Outpatient Rehabilitation Cost Report and Supporting Regulations in 42 CFR 413.20 and 413.24 *Form No.:* HCFA-2088 (0938-0037); *Use:* This form is used by Outpatient Rehabilitation Facilities to report their health care costs to determine the amount reimbursable for services furnished to Medicare beneficiaries. In addition, the fiscal intermediary uses the cost report to make settlement with the provider for the cost reporting period. *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal Government; *Number of Respondents:* 4,298; *Total Annual Responses:* 4,298; *Total Annual Hours:* 429,800.

2. *Type of Information Collection Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection; *Title of Information Collection:* Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) and Skilled Nursing Facility Health Care Complex Cost Report, 42 CFR 413.20 and 413.24; *Form No.:* HCFA-2540 (0938-0463); *Use:* The Skilled Nursing Facility and Skilled Nursing Facility Health Care Complex Cost Report is used by freestanding SNFs to submit annual information to achieve a settlement of costs for health care services rendered to Medicare beneficiaries. In addition, the fiscal intermediary uses the cost report to make settlement with the provider for the fiscal year. *Frequency:* Annually; *Affected Public:* Business or other for profit, Not for profit institutions, and State, Local, or Tribal government; *Number of Respondents:* 7,000; *Total Annual Responses:* 7,000; *Total Annual Hours Requested:* 1,372,000.

To obtain copies of the supporting statement and any related forms for the proposed paperwork collections referenced above, access HCFA's Web Site address at <http://www.hcfa.gov/regs/prdact95.htm>, or E-mail your

request, including your address, phone number, OMB number, and HCFA document identifier, to Paperwork@hcfa.gov, or call the Reports Clearance Office on (410) 786-1326. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collections must be mailed within 30 days of this notice directly to the OMB desk officer: OMB Human Resources and Housing Branch, Attention: Allison Eydt, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: December 3, 1998.

John P. Burke III,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*):

PRT-005314

Applicant: Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

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

PRT-005629

Applicant: The Elephant Sanctuary, Hohenwald, TN

The applicant requests a permit to buy one female Asian elephant (*Elephas maximus*) in interstate commerce for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-005532

Applicant: Omaha's Henry Doorly Zoo, Omaha, NE

The applicant requests a permit to export Western Lowland gorilla (*Gorilla gorilla gorilla*) semen to Johannesburg Zoo, South Africa for the purpose of captive propagation for the enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-004720

Applicant: American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY

The applicant requests a permit to import brown lemur subspecies (*Eulemur fulvus albocollaris, collaris, rufus, albifrons, and sanfordi*) blood samples from Madagascar for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

PRT-005708

Applicant: Praveen Karanth, Albany, NY

The applicant requests a permit to export samples taken from a captive-born gray langur (*Semnopithecus entellus*) for the purpose of scientific research.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, *subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act*, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: December 4, 1998.

Mary Ellen Amtower,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Emergency Exemption: Issuance

On November 26, 1998, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) issued a permit (PRT-005319) to Wildlife Conservation Society, Bronx, New York to import 33 angulated/plowshare tortoises (*Geochelone ynipora*) into the United States at the request of the Management Authority of the Netherlands. The 30-day public comment period required by section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act was waived. The Service determined that an emergency affecting the survival of these tortoises existed and that no reasonable alternative was available to

the applicant. The seized animals were at risk because of the immediate need for disease screening and health evaluation which could best be preformed in the United States and overcrowding in the Netherlands quarantine facility.

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MaryEllen Amtower,
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

On August 26, 1998, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 165, Page 45511-12, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Joseph Crawley for a permit (PRT-001978) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the Lancaster Sound population, Canada prior to April 30, 1994 for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on October 23, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On August 26, 1998, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 165, Page 45512, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Kurt von Besser for a permit (PRT-001631) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the Viscount Melville population, Canada, taken prior to April 30, 1994, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on November 4, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On September 11, 1998, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 176, Page 48751, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Ricardo E. Longoria for a permit (PRT-002446) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the McClintock Channel population, Canada, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on November 4, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On September 17, 1998, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 180, Page 49707, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by George Gard for a permit (PRT-002693) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the Foxe Basin population, Canada prior to April 30, 1994 for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on November 10, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On September 23, 1998, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 63, No. 184, Page 50922, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Robert B. Ashton, Hanover, NH, for a permit (PRT-002869) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, from the Southern Beaufort Sea population, Northwest Territories, Canada, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on November 18, 1998, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

Documents and other information submitted for these applications are available for review by any party who submits a written request to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Rm 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, phone (703) 358-2104 or Fax (703) 358-2281.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-910-09-1020-00]

New Mexico Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Council Meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix 1, The Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), announces a meeting of the New Mexico Resource Advisory Council (RAC). The meeting will be held on January 21 and 22, 1999 at the Doubletree Hotel, 3347 Cerrillos Road, Santa Fe, NM.

The meeting on Thursday January 21 starts at 8:30 a.m., and the meeting on Friday January 22 starts at 8 a.m. The draft agenda for the RAC meeting includes presentations and discussions on the following: agreement on the meeting agenda, any RAC comments on the draft summary minutes of the last RAC meeting on November 19 and 20, 1998 at Las Cruces, NM, check in with RAC members, the Rio Puerco watershed study, two different times for the public to address the RAC, Culp Canyon Wilderness Study Area and the NM/BLM Wilderness Study Area program, RAC recommendations follow up, Rio Grande Corridor Proposed Plan and Final EIS, Quivira Coalition, McGregor Range Withdrawal update, Standards and Guidelines RMPA/EIS update, BLM Field Office Managers presentations and discussion, selection of next RAC meeting location and development of draft agenda items for the next RAC meeting, and a RAC assessment on the meeting. Specific agenda items, dates and times may be adjusted with approval of the RAC.

The time for the public to address the RAC is on Thursday, January 21, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The RAC may reduce or extend the end time for public comment of 12:00 noon and of 5:00 p.m. depending on the number of people wishing to address the RAC. The length of time available for each person to address the RAC will be established at the start of the public comment period and will depend on how many people there are that wish to address the RAC. At the completion of the public comments the RAC may continue discussion on its agenda items. The meeting on January 22, 1999, will be