

permits. Permits and modifications 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).

All statements and opinions contained in the permit action summaries are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

#### Species Covered in this Notice

The following species and evolutionarily significant units (ESU's) are covered in this notice:

Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): threatened Snake River (SnR) fall, threatened SnR spring/summer, endangered upper Columbia River (UCR) spring.

Coho salmon (*O. kisutch*): threatened Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast (SONCC).

Cutthroat trout (*O. clarki clarki*): endangered Umpqua River (UmR).

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

Steelhead trout (*O. mykiss*): endangered UCR.

#### Permits Issued

Notice was published on February 11, 1999 (64 FR 6880), that NWFSC applied for a 4-year scientific research permit. Permit 1194 was issued on July 23, 1999, authorizing take of the ESA-listed species associated with an evaluation of passive integrated transponder (PIT) tag interrogation systems at Bonneville Dam on the lower Columbia River in the Pacific Northwest. The objectives of the study are to evaluate the ability of the prototype PIT-tag detection systems to detect PIT-tagged adult salmon passing through the facility, and evaluate the effects of the detection system on adult behavior as they approach and pass through the system. Indirect mortalities of ESA-listed adult fish are authorized. Permit 1194 expires on December 31, 2003.

Notice was published on March 25, 1999 (64 FR 14432), that ODFQ applied for a 4-year scientific research permit. Permit 1205 was issued on June 16, 1999, authorizing take of listed species. ODEQ is authorized annual direct takes of juvenile SONCC coho salmon and adult and juvenile UmR cutthroat trout associated with water quality assessment studies in southwestern Oregon. ODEQ will capture ESA-listed fish in the Rogue and Umpqua River Basins with backpack electrofishing equipment, anesthetize them, collect biological information, allow them to recover from the anesthetic and release them. Data collected from these studies

will be used in assessing the productivity status of these streams and the effectiveness of measures being taken to restore fish populations. Permit 1205 expires December 31, 2002.

Notice was published on April 21, 1999 (64 FR 19515), that WDFW applied for a 5-year scientific research permit. Permit 1218 was issued on July 23, 1999, authorizing take of listed species. WDFW is authorized annual direct takes of adult and juvenile, naturally produced and artificially propagated, UCR steelhead associated with two research studies in the upper Columbia River in Washington. Information from the studies will be used to verify the spawning regime, migratory behavior, and exact stock of steelhead in the Hanford Reach and upper river watersheds above Priest Rapids Dam. This information will be valuable in developing future recovery plans for that section of the Columbia River. In Study 1, adult steelhead will be captured by angling, anesthetized, sampled for biological data, sampled for tissues, allowed to recover from anesthetic and released. Eggs and alevin steelhead will be collected by excavating redds and sacrificed for genetic analysis. Steelhead fry will be collected with seines, sampled for biological data, sampled for tissues, and released. In Study 2, ESA-listed adult steelhead will be captured at Priest Rapids Dam, tagged with radiotransmitters, released, and tracked electronically as they migrate upstream. Permit 1218 expires December 31, 2003.

#### Modifications Issued

Notice was published on April 30, 1999 (64 FR 23281), that NWFSC applied for a modification to scientific research permit 1056. Modification 2 to permit 1056 was issued on July 23, 1999, authorizing the take of ESA-listed species. Modification 2 authorizes annual takes of adult and juvenile, naturally produced and artificially propagated, SnR spring/summer chinook salmon associated with two studies designed to monitor wild salmon smolt migration timing, genetic change, and population structure over time. For Modification 2, NWFSC is authorized to take adult SnR spring/summer chinook salmon carcasses and to increase the annual take of juvenile, artificially-propagated, SnR spring/summer chinook salmon for study 2. Also for modification 2, NWFSC is authorized to add rotary screw traps as a capture method. Modification 2 is valid for the duration of the permit, which expires on December 31, 2001.

Modification 1 to permit 1126 was issued on June 25, 1999, authorizing take of the ESA-listed species.

Modification 1 authorizes WDFW to collect tissue samples and biological information from carcasses during spawning ground surveys and snorkeling activities. Modification 1 is valid for the duration of the permit, which expires on December 31, 2002.

Notice was published on March 25, 1999 (64 FR 14432), that POP applied for a modification to scientific research permit 1131. Modification 1 to permit 1131 was issued on July 23, 1999, authorizing take of the ESA-listed species. Modification 1 authorizes an increase in the annual take of juvenile, naturally produced and artificially propagated, SnR spring/summer chinook salmon and juvenile SnR fall chinook salmon associated with research designed to determine the presence and distribution of fish in shallow water habitats between the lower end of Hayden Island and the Sandy River delta on the Columbia River. Modification 1 is valid for the duration of the permit, which expires on December 31, 2001.

Dated: July 30, 1999.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Permits for Taking of Endangered or Threatened Species for Research/Enhancement Purposes.

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

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before October 8, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via the Internet at LEngelme@doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Karen Salvini - F/PR3, Office of Protected Resources, Room 13603, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301) 713-1401 (x130).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et. seq.) imposed prohibitions against the taking of endangered species. Section 10 of the ESA allows permits authorizing the taking of endangered species for research/enhancement purposes. The corresponding regulations established procedures for persons to apply for such permits. In addition, the regulations set forth specific reporting requirements for such permit holders.

The regulations contain two sets of information collections: (1) applications for research/enhancement permits, and (2) reporting requirements for permits issued.

The required information is used to evaluate the impacts of the proposed activity on endangered species, to make the determinations required by the ESA prior to issuing a permit, and to establish appropriate permit conditions. In order to issue permits as under ESA section 10(a)(1)(A), NMFS must determine that (1) such exceptions were applied for in good faith, (2) if granted and exercised will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species, and (3) will be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

##### II. Method of Collection

Permit applicants must submit a written application to NMFS, including all appropriate information listed on the instructions. These instructions are a user-friendly version of the requirements at 50 CFR § 222.23(b) for applications for research/enhancement permits.

Once issued, the permit requires that permit holders submit an annual report on activities, including information on the species, stocks, dates, location, and condition of animals taken.

##### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0648-0084.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular Submission.

*Affected Public:* Federal, State, local, or tribal government; business or other for-profit; individuals; universities and research institutions; not-for-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* Permits: 60; Modification Requests: 60; Reports: 60 Annual Reports and 20 Final Reports.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* Permits: 40 hours; Modification Requests: 10 hours; Annual Reports: 10; Final Reports: 20 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours Per Year:* Permits: 2,400 hours; Modification Requests: 600 hours; Annual Reports: 600 hours; Final Reports: 400 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$290 annual for printing and mailing of submissions.

##### IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 2, 1999.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Chief Information Officer.*

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#### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

##### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 10:00 a.m., Thursday, August 19, 1999.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C., 9th Floor Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Rule Enforcement Review.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Catherine D. Dixon,**

*Assistant Secretary of the Commission.*

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#### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

##### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 2:00 p.m., Thursday, August 26, 1999.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st., NW, Washington, DC, 9th Floor Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Enforcement Matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Catherine D. Dixon,**

*Assistant Secretary of the Commission.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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##### Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Administration

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and