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Applicant: Robert H. Karbowski, Bena MN.

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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 on or before March 30, 1998.

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: February 23, 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

Endangered Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 USC 1531 *et seq.*).

Permit No. 779910

Applicant: William E. Haas, San Diego, California

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to: take (harass by survey; capture, mark, release; relocate) the southwestern arroyo toad (*Bufo microscaphus californicus*) in Orange, Riverside, San Diego, and Imperial Counties, California; take (locate and monitor nests; capture, band, color-band, release) the least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*) throughout its range; take (harass by survey) the light-footed clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris levipes*) in San Diego County, California; take (capture, measure, and release) the Pacific pocket mouse (*Perognathus longimembris pacificus*) throughout its range; and take (capture, measure, and release) the Stephens' kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys stephensi*) throughout its range in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys, population monitoring, and ecological research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 796012

Applicant: Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation, Sacramento, California

The applicant requests an amendment to its permit to take (harass by survey, capture and release, collect voucher specimens) the Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus wootoni*) and San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegonensis*) throughout the species' range in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 825576

Applicant: Richard N. Wales Jr., Tustin, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, measure, and release) the southwestern arroyo toad (*Bufo microscaphus californicus*) in conjunction with ecological research in Orange, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Bernardino, and Riverside Counties, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 804203

Applicant: Steve Myers, Riverside, California

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (locate and monitor nests) the least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*) in conjunction with population monitoring and removal of brown-headed cowbird (*Molothrus ater*) eggs and chicks from parasitized nests throughout the species range in California, and take (capture, handle, and release) the San Bernardino kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys merriami parvus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and population monitoring in San Bernardino and

Riverside Counties, California, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 745541

Applicant: Stephen J. Montgomery, San Diego, California

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (capture, handle, and release) the Amargosa vole (*Microtus californicus scirpensis*) in conjunction with life history studies in Inyo County, California, and the Ash Meadows National Wildlife Refuge, Nevada, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 839480

Applicant: Richard Zembal, Laguna Niguel, California

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey; capture, band, color-band, and release; collect eggs and capture juveniles; and translocate) the light-footed clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris levipes*) in Orange, San Diego, and Los Angeles Counties, California, in conjunction with ecological research, population monitoring, augmenting existing populations by translocating eggs, and developing a captive breeding protocol at the Chula Vista Nature Center, San Diego, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival. The ecological and population monitoring were previously authorized under subpermit Zembrl-5.

Permit No. 838091

Applicant: Michael S. Cooperman, Corvallis, Oregon

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, collect, and sacrifice) larvae of the Lost River sucker (*Deltistes luxatus*) and the shortnose sucker (*Chasmistes brevirostris*) in conjunction with ecological research and life history studies in southern Oregon for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 832945

Applicant: Lisa M. Kegarice, San Bernardino, California

The applicant requests an amendment to her permit to take (harass by survey) the Delhi Sands flower-loving fly (*Rhaphiomidas terminatus abdominalis*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 813545

Applicant: Brock Ortega, Encinitas, California

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey, collect and sacrifice) the Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus wootoni*), San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta*

sandiegoneis), and vernal pool fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta lynchi*) in conjunction with presence and absence surveys and population monitoring in San Diego, Riverside, and Orange Counties, California, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 817400

Applicant: East Bay Regional Park District, Oakland, California

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey using a motorized boat) the California clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris obsoletus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 785564

Applicant: Parsons Harland Bartholomew & Associates, Sacramento, California

The applicant requests an amendment to his permit to take (harass by survey) the California clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris obsoletus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 839093

Applicant: Thomas Wang, San Francisco, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey; mark larvae) the mission blue butterfly (*Icaricia icarioides missionensis*) in conjunction with scientific research in San Mateo County, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 815537

Applicant: Karen Swaim, Livermore, California

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture, handle, and release) the Alameda whipsnake (*Masticophis lateralis euryxanthus*) and to take (harass by survey) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), longhorn fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta longiantenna*), vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*), San Diego fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta sandiegoneis*), and the Riverside fairy shrimp (*Streptocephalus woottoni*) throughout the range of the species in California in conjunction with presence or absence surveys, general aquatic surveys, and scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 836517

Applicant: Chet McCaugh, Riverside, California

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (locate and monitor

nests) the least Bell's vireo (*Vireo bellii pusillus*) in conjunction with population monitoring and removal of brown-headed cowbird (*Molothrus ater*) eggs and chicks from parasitized nests throughout the species' range in California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No's. 832717, 794784, 797665

Applicants: Rodrick Dossey, El Cajon, California; Affinis, El Cajon, California; RECON, San Diego, California

The applicants request a permit amendment to take (harass by survey) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and ecological research throughout the species' range in California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 810768

Applicant: Harmsworth Associates, Dove Canyon, California

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (harass by survey; nest monitor) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and nest monitoring throughout the species' range in California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 801346

Applicant: Geoffrey L. Rogers, San Diego, California

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (harass by survey) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys in San Diego, Orange, Imperial, and Riverside Counties, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 839211

Applicant: Marnie Crook, Redland, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, handle, and release) the San Bernardino kangaroo rat (*Dipodomys merriami parvus*) in conjunction with presence or absence surveys and population monitoring in San Bernardino County, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 839483

Applicant: University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, collect and sacrifice) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*) and the vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*) in conjunction with the collection of soil samples at the Beale Air Force Base and Jepson Prairie

Reserve, California, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 839578

Applicant: David Evans and Associates, Inc., Bellevue, Washington

The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey) the southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*) throughout the states of Utah and Nevada in conjunction with presence or absence surveys for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

DATES: Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before March 30, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Division of Consultation and Conservation Planning, Ecological Services, Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181; Fax: (503) 231-6243.

Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments, including names and addresses, received will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: 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 within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above; telephone: (503) 231-2063. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

Dated: February 20, 1998.

William F. Shake,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Receipt of an Application for an Incidental Take Permit for Corrections Corporation of America, California City Prison Project, Kern County, CA

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Corrections Corporation of America of Nashville, Tennessee, has