

dorcas) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

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.

The public is invited to comment on the following application for permits to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application was submitted to satisfy requirements of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, *as amended* (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing marine mammals (50 CFR 18).

Applicant: New College of the University of South Florida, Division of Social Sciences, Sarasota, FL, PRT-837923.

Permit Type: Take for scientific research.

Name and Number of Animals: manatee (*Trichechus manatus*), 2

Summary of Activity to be

Authorized: The applicant requests a permit to take two captive manatees for scientific research of manatee behavior including, visual acuity, concept formation, and motor imitation.

Source of Marine Mammals: The research involves two captive manatees housed at Mote Marine Laboratory, Sarasota, FL.

Period of Activity: Up to 5 years from issuance date of permit, if issued.

Applicant: University of Florida, Department of Chemistry, Gainesville, FL, PRT-837797.

Permit Type: Import for Scientific Research.

Name and Number of Animals: polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*), 5 samples.

Summary of Activity to be

Authorized: The applicant requests a permit to import ear punch samples surplus to Canadian researchers' studies for the purpose of scientific research related to the genetic evolution of polar bear.

Source of Marine Mammals: Canada, as described above.

Period of Activity: Up to 5 years from issuance date of permit, if issued.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Applicant: Dean Palmer, Williamsport, PA, PRT-838172

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Viscount Melville Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada prior to April 30, 1994, for personal use.

Applicant: Thomas Cochran, New Castle, PA, PRT-838178

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Gulf of Boothia polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada prior to April 30, 1994, for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of any of these complete applications, or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Anyone requesting a hearing should give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Director.

Documents and other information submitted with the application 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 above address within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: January 9, 1998.

MaryEllen Amtower,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

On May 26, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 58, Page 14438, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by John Hoyer, Brillion, WI, for a permit (PRT-826773) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Northern Beaufort Sea population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on December 23, 1997, 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 October 10, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 197, Page 53016, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by the University of Alaska Museum, Fairbanks, AK for a permit (PRT-832903) to import biological specimens of polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*), walrus (*Odobenus rosmarus*), and sea otter (*Enhydra lutris*) for the purpose of scientific research.

Notice is hereby given that on December 22, 1997, 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 October 21, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 203, Page 54648, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Lawrence Epping, Salem, OR, for a permit (PRT-835236) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Lancaster Sound population, Northwest Territories, Canada prior to April 30, 1994, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on December 12, 1997, 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 October 10, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 197, Page 53016, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Randy Deeter, Anchorage, AK, for a permit (PRT-834963) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Lancaster Sound population, Northwest Territories, Canada. The bear Mr. Deeter hunted was taken from the Southern Beaufort Sea population. The original notice was incorrect.

Notice is hereby given that on December 16, 1997, 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 October 10, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 197, Page 53016, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Frederick Steudler, Jr., Conestoga, PA, for a permit

(PRT-834952) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the McClintock Channel population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on December 16, 1997, 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 November 5, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 214, Page 59876, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Madeline Kay, Juniper Hills, CA, for a permit (PRT-835807) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Foxe Basin population, Northwest Territories, Canada prior to April 30, 1994, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on January 6, 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 November 5, 1997, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 62, No. 214, Page 59876, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Clifford Senter, Plaistow, NH, for a permit (PRT-835809) to import a sport-hunted polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy, taken from the Lancaster Sound population, Northwest Territories, Canada prior to April 30, 1994, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on January 6, 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.

Dated: January 9, 1998.

MaryEllen Amtower,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proclaiming Certain Lands as Reservation for the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians in Oregon; Notice of Reservation Proclamation

SUMMARY: The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs proclaimed approximately 4.41 acres as an addition to the reservation of the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians on December 19, 1997. This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry E. Scrivner, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Real Estate Services, MS-4510/MIB/Code 220, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240, telephone (202) 208-7737.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A

proclamation was issued according to the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 986; 25 U.S.C. 467), for the tract of land described below. The land was proclaimed to be an addition to and part of the reservation of the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians for the exclusive use of Indians on that reservation who are entitled to reside at the reservation by enrollment or tribal membership.

Reservation of the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, Douglas County, Oregon

The following described real property is located in the Southeast quarter of Section 6 and the Northeast quarter of Section 7, Township 30 South, Range 5 West, W.M., Douglas County, Oregon, and contains 4.41 acres, more or less, according to plat 94-26163 filed in Douglas County, Oregon, on December 20, 1994.

Parcel 2 of Land Partition No. 1994-113, Partition Plat Records of Douglas County, Oregon, together with an easement 30 feet in width, for road and utilities, as set out on Land Partition No. 1994-113 and as reserved by instrument, Recorder's No. 95-6143, Records of Douglas County, Oregon.

Title to the land described above is conveyed subject to any valid existing easements for public roads and highways, for public utilities and for railroads and pipelines and any other right-of-way or reservation of record.

Dated: December 19, 1997.

Kevin Gover,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proclaiming Certain Lands as Reservation for the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians in Oregon; Notice of Reservation Proclamation

SUMMARY: The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs proclaimed approximately 17.46 acres, more or less, as an addition to the reservation of the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians on December 19, 1997. This notice is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

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Reservation of the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, Douglas County, Oregon

The following described real property is located in the Southwest quarter of Section 22 and the Northwest quarter of Section 27, Township 30 South, Range 5 West, Willamette Meridian, Douglas County, Oregon.

Beginning at a 5/8 inch iron rod that bears South 86°07'39" East 17.65 feet from the section corner common to Section 21, 22, 27, and 28, Township 30 South, Range 5 West, Willamette meridian, Douglas County, Oregon; thence South 86°07'39" East 219.44 feet to a 3/4 inch iron pipe; thence South 82°38'46" East 392.92 feet to a 5/8 inch iron rod; thence South 41°03'06" East 577.66 feet to a point marked by a fence corner post; thence North 62°45'17" East 409.48 feet to a point located in the center of Canyon Creek; thence along said center of Canyon Creek North 15°20'21" West 128.62 feet to a point; thence continuing along said center of Canyon Creek North 24°13'21" West 305.60 feet to a point; thence continuing along said center of Canyon Creek North 9°49'21" West 491.28 feet more or less to a point in the center of the South