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**PRT-062472**

*Applicant:* Roland Christensen, Fayette, UT

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus 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.

**PRT-062473**

*Applicant:* Matthew T. Christensen, Fayette, UT

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus 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.

**PRT-677648**

*Applicant:* University of Kansas Natural History Museum & Biodiversity Research Center, Lawrence, KS

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

**Marine Mammals**

The public is invited to comment on the following application(s) for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application(s) 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 part 18). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of the complete applications or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Director (address above). 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.

**PRT-058039**

*Applicant:* Jordon Pearlman, Reno, NV

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport hunted from the Norwegian Bay polar bear population in Canada for personal use.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has information collection approval from OMB through March 31, 2004, OMB Control Number 1018-0093. Federal Agencies may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a current valid OMB control number.

Dated: September 13, 2002,

**Monica Farris,**

*Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service****Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of issuance of permit for marine mammals.

**SUMMARY:** The following permits were issued.

**ADDRESSES:** 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, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax (703) 358-2281.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358-2104.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On June 25, 2002, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 42791), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Dietrich Beusse, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL for a permit (PRT-051399) to take for scientific research Florida manatees (*Trichechus manatus*) to record and playback vocalizations in Florida waters.

Notice is hereby given that on August 28, 2002, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*), the Fish and

Wildlife Service issued the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On June 28, 2002, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 43676), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Edwin De Young for a permit (PRT-058028) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) taken from the Viscount Melville polar bear population, Canada, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on August 28, 2002, 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 issued the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On July 5, 2002, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 44873), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by George R. Harms, Brielle, NJ for a permit (PRT-058893) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) taken from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Canada, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on September 10, 2002, 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 issued the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On July 9, 2002, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 45530), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by University of South Florida, College of Marine Science, St. Petersburg, FL for a permit (PRT-051709) to take for scientific research Florida manatees (*Trichechus manatus*) to record and playback vocalizations in Florida waters.

Notice is hereby given that on August 28, 2002, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*), the Fish and Wildlife Service issued the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On July 9, 2002, a notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 45530), that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by K. James Malady, III, for a permit (PRT-058909) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) taken from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Canada, for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on August 28, 2002, 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 issued the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

Dated: September 13, 2002.

**Monica Farris,**

*Senior Permit Biologist, Branch of Permits,  
Division of Management Authority.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### National Wildlife Refuge System; National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial Commission Meeting

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting of National Wildlife Refuge Centennial Commission.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770, 5 U.S.C. App1, section 10), notice is hereby given that the National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial Commission will hold its second meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held September 24 and 25, 2002 in Washington, DC. The meeting will convene at 12 noon on September 24 and end at approximately 5:30 p.m., begin again at 8 a.m. on September 25 and conclude at 12 noon.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting is scheduled to be held at: Loew's L'Enfant Plaza Hotel, 480 L'Enfant Plaza, SW., Washington, DC 20024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Laurie Shaffer, 703-358-2035.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Centennial Commission was established by Title III, Section 303 of the Fish and Wildlife Programs Improvement and National Wildlife Refuge System Centennial Act of 2000 (H.R. 3671). The purpose of the Commission is to prepare, in cooperation with Federal, State, local, and nongovernmental partners, a plan to commemorate the centennial of the National Wildlife Refuge System beginning on March 14, 2003. They are also charged with planning a conference for the Centennial year.

The meeting will be open to the public, however, facilities and space of accommodating members of the public are limited and persons will be accommodated on a first-come first-served basis.

#### Assistance to Individuals With Disabilities at the Public Meeting

The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you plan to attend and will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the meeting (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least 2 weeks before the scheduled meeting date. We will make attempts to meet any request(s) received after that date, however, the requested auxiliary aid or service may not be available due to insufficient time.

Anyone may file with the Commission a written statement concerning matters to be discussed. The Commission may also permit attendees to address the Commission but may restrict the length of the presentations, as necessary, to allow the Commission to complete its agenda within the allotted time.

Interested persons may file written statements with the Commission prior to the business meeting. Written statements may be sent to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, attention: Centennial Commission Coordinator at least 7 days prior to the meeting. Further information regarding the meeting may be obtained from the Division of Visitor Services and Communications, National Wildlife Refuge System, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203. Telephone: 703-358-2035.

Draft minutes of the meeting will be available for public inspection approximately 6 weeks after the meeting in Room 600, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Major topics for discussion during this meeting include:

Welcome  
Objectives of the meeting  
Minutes of the last meeting  
Addition and corrections to the agenda

**Business:**

1. Centennial Events and Plans
2. Conference Proposal
3. Funding opportunities and partnerships

Closing remarks (including summary of accomplishments of the meeting, date of next proposed meeting, assignment of tasks).

The Commission will also discuss organizational and administrative needs.

Dated: August 29, 2002.

**Steve Williams,**

*Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[NV-010-1990-EX]

#### Record of Decision; Leeville Project, Eureka Co., NV

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of record of decision.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the signing of the Record of Decision on the proposed Leeville Project. The decision to approve the mining operation will be in full force and effect, when the Field Office Manager signs the Record of Decision.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** The decision to approve the mining operation will be in full force and effect, on September 25, 2002 when the Field Office Manager signs the Record of Decision. A petition for a stay of the decision must be filed in accordance with 43 CFR 4.411 and 4.413. If you believe you are adversely affected by the Record of Decision you have 30 days, from the date of publication of this notice, to file a Notice of Appeal in the Elko Field Office (See 43 CFR 4.411 and 4.413).

**ADDRESSES:** You may obtain a copy of the Record of Decision from: Bureau of Land Management, Elko Field Office, 3900 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801. You must send your notice of Appeal to: Bureau of Land Management, Elko Field Office, 3900 Idaho Street, Elko, NV 89801, and you must also send a copy to: Office of the Regional Solicitor, Salt Lake City Federal Building, 125 South State Street, Salt Lake City, UT 84138.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Deb McFarlane, Project Coordinator, Elko Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3900 Idaho Street, Elko, Nevada 89801, (775) 753-0200.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As authorized by Section 202 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Elko Field Office prepared an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under a third party contract, to analyze impacts and alternatives for Newmont Mining Corporation's proposed Leeville Project. The proposed project expansion would result in disturbance of an additional 486 acres of federal and private lands located in Eureka County,