

limited to space available and will be limited to the open sessions of the meeting. Interested persons may present data, information, or views, orally or in writing, on issues pending before the Council. Presentations from the public will be scheduled at the conclusion of the meeting. Individuals interested in making public comment must notify the contact person, Pamela Foote, CMHS NAC Designated Federal Officer (DFO) on or before February 13, 2024. Up three minutes will be allotted for each public comment as time permits. Written comments received in advance of the meeting will be considered for inclusion in the official record.

The open meeting session may also be accessed virtually. Please register online at <https://snacregister.samhsa.gov>, to attend on either on site or virtually, submit written or brief oral comments, or request special accommodations for persons with disabilities. To communicate with the CMHS NAC DFO please see the contact information below.

Meeting information and a roster of Council members may be obtained by accessing the SAMHSA Committee website at <https://www.samhsa.gov/about-us/advisory-councils/cmhs-national-advisory-council> or by contacting the DFO.

**Council Name:** SAMHSA's Center for Mental Health Services National Advisory Council.

**Date/Time/Type:** February 27, 2024, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (EST), Open.

**Place:** SAMHSA, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857.

**Contact:** Pamela Foote, Designated Federal Officer, CMHS National Advisory Council, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, Maryland 20857 (mail), Telephone: (240) 276-1279, Email: [pamela.foote@samhsa.hhs.gov](mailto:pamela.foote@samhsa.hhs.gov).

Dated: January 10, 2024.

**Carlos Castillo,**

*Committee Management Officer, SAMHSA.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2023-0262;  
FXIA1671090000-234-FF09A30000]

### Foreign Endangered Species; Receipt of Permit Applications

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on applications to conduct certain activities with foreign species that are listed as endangered under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is issued that allows such activities. The ESA also requires that we invite public comment before issuing permits for any activity otherwise prohibited by the ESA with respect to any endangered species.

**DATES:** We must receive comments by February 16, 2024.

#### ADDRESSES:

**Obtaining Documents:** The applications, application supporting materials, and any comments and other materials that we receive will be available for public inspection at <https://www.regulations.gov> in Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2023-0262.

**Submitting Comments:** When submitting comments, please specify the name of the applicant and the permit number at the beginning of your comment. You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

- **Internet:** <https://www.regulations.gov>.

Search for and submit comments on Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2023-0262.

- **U.S. Mail:** Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS-HQ-IA-2023-0262; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters, MS: PRB/3W; 5275 Leesburg Pike; Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

For more information, see Public Comment Procedures under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Timothy MacDonald, by phone at 703-358-2185 or via email at [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov). Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Public Comment Procedures

###### A. How do I comment on submitted applications?

We invite the public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on these applications. Before issuing any of the requested permits, we will take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

You may submit your comments and materials by one of the methods in **ADDRESSES.** We will not consider comments sent by email or to an address not in **ADDRESSES.** We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**).

When submitting comments, please specify the name of the applicant and the permit number at the beginning of your comment. Provide sufficient information to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include. The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations.

###### B. May I review comments submitted by others?

You may view and comment on others' public comments at <https://www.regulations.gov> unless our allowing so would violate the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) or Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

###### C. Who will see my comments?

If you submit a comment at <https://www.regulations.gov>, your entire comment, including any personal identifying information, will be posted on the website. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, such as your address, phone number, or email address, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. Moreover, all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

## II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), we invite public comments on permit applications before final action is taken. With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits certain activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is issued that allows such activities. Permits issued under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA allow otherwise prohibited activities for scientific purposes or to

enhance the propagation or survival of the affected species. Service regulations regarding prohibited activities with endangered species, captive-bred wildlife registrations, and permits for any activity otherwise prohibited by the ESA with respect to any endangered species are available in title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations in part 17.

**III. Permit Applications**

We invite comments on the following applications.

**Applicant: Duke University, Durham, NC; Permit No. PER0056306**

The applicant requests authorization to import biological samples derived

from *E. rufous* mouse lemur [*Microcebus rufus*; synonym Goodman’s mouse lemur (*Microcebus lehilahytsara*)] from the Institute of Zoology at the University of Veterinary Medicine Hannover Foundation (TiHo), Germany, for the purpose of scientific research. This notification is for a single import.

**Applicant: Duke University Lemur Center, Durham, NC; Permit No. PER6238013**

The applicant requests a permit to export two captive-bred Coquerel’s sifakas (*Propithecus coquereli*) to Tierpark Berlin Zoo in Germany, for the

purpose of enhancing the propagation or survival of the species. This notification is for a single export.

**Applicant: Cincinnati Zoo & Botanical Garden, Cincinnati, OH; Permit No. PER6139919**

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following species, to enhance the propagation or survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Common name	Scientific name
Cheetah	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i> .
Blue-throated macaw	<i>Ara glaucogularis</i> .
Aye-aye	<i>Daubentonia madagascariensis</i> .
Eastern black rhinoceros	<i>Diceros bicornis michaeli</i> .
Southern rockhopper penguin	<i>Eudyptes chrysocome</i> .
Black-footed cat	<i>Felis nigripes</i> .
Gorilla	<i>Gorilla gorilla</i> .
Japanese crane (Red-crowned crane)	<i>Grus japonensis</i> .
White-handed gibbon (Lar gibbon)	<i>Hylobates lar</i> .
Ring-tailed lemur	<i>Lemur catta</i> .
Brazilian ocelot	<i>Leopardus pardalis mitis</i> .
Rothschild’s starling (Bali starling)	<i>Leucopsar rothschildi</i> .
African wild dog (African painted dog)	<i>Lycaon pictus</i> .
Clouded leopard	<i>Neofelis nebulosa</i> .
Bonobo	<i>Pan paniscus</i> .
African lion	<i>Panthera leo melanochaita</i> .
Malayan tiger	<i>Panthera tigris jacksoni</i> .
Sumatran orangutan	<i>Pongo abelii</i> .
Coquerel’s sifaka	<i>Propithecus coquereli</i> .
Indian rhinoceros	<i>Rhinoceros unicornis</i> .
African penguin	<i>Spheniscus demersus</i> .
Siamang	<i>Symphalangus syndactylus</i> .
Snow leopard	<i>Uncia uncia</i> .
Andean condor	<i>Vultur gryphus</i> .

**IV. Next Steps**

After the comment period closes, we will make decisions regarding permit issuance. If we issue permits to any of the applicants listed in this notice, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register**. You may locate the notice announcing the permit issuance by searching <https://www.regulations.gov> for the permit number listed above in this document. For example, to find information about the potential issuance of Permit No. 12345A, you would go to [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) and search for “12345A”.

**V. Authority**

We issue this notice under the authority of the Endangered Species Act

of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and its implementing regulations.

**Timothy MacDonald**,  
Government Information Specialist, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

[Docket No. FWS-R4-ES-2023-0247; FXES11140400000-245-FF04EF4000]

**Receipt of Incidental Take Permit Application and Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan for the Sand Skink and Blue-Tailed Mole Skink; Polk County, FL; Categorical Exclusion**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce receipt of an application from St. John Methodist Church of Sebring Inc. (applicant) for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the Endangered Species Act. The applicant requests the ITP to take the federally listed sand skink (*Neoseps reynoldsi*) and blue-tailed mole-skink (*Eumeces egregius lividus*) incidental to the construction of a residential development in Highlands County, Florida. We request public comment on the application, which includes the applicant’s proposed habitat conservation plan (HCP), and on the Service’s preliminary determination that the proposed permitting action may be eligible for a categorical exclusion pursuant to the Council on Environmental Quality’s National