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Dated: August 23, 2001.

**Jack Spiegel,**

*Director, Division of Technology Development and Transfer, Office of Technology Transfer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

#### Center for Substance Abuse Treatment; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to Pub. L. 92-463, notice is hereby given of a meeting of the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) National Advisory Council to be held in September 2001. A portion of the meeting is open and includes discussion of the Center's policy issues and current administrative, legislative, and program developments. The Council will hear feature presentations by SAMHSA Acting Administrator Joseph H. Autry III, M.D. and CSAT Director H. Westley Clark, M.D., J.D., M.P.H., CAS, FASAM. Significant issues to be discussed with the Council include the Health Insurance Portability Act and its impact on substance abuse; an information exchange on the New Freedom Initiative; status reports on HIV/AIDS; OPIOID Accreditation; CSAT's Faith and Community Partners Initiative; Healthcare Professional Impairment; and Health Disparities. Other anticipated discussions include Confidentiality Regulations and Parity.

If special accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, please notify the Contact listed below.

The meeting will also include the review, discussion, and evaluation of grant applications. Therefore a portion of the meeting will be closed to the public as determined by the Administrator, SAMHSA, in accordance with Title 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), and (6) and 5 U.S.C. App. 2, § 10(d).

Substantive program information, a summary of the meeting and roster of Council members may be obtained from the contact listed below.

*Committee Name:* Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, National Advisory Council.

*Meeting Date:* September 12, 2001—8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m., September 13, 2001—9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

*Place:* Bethesda Hyatt Hotel, One Bethesda Metro, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

*Type:* Closed: September 12, 2001—8:30 a.m.—9:30 a.m.; Open: September 12, 2001—9:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m., September 13, 2001—9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

*Contact:* Cynthia Graham, 5600 Fishers Lane, RW II, Ste 618, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: (301) 443-8923; FAX: (301) 480-6077, E-mail: cgraham@samhsa.gov.

Dated: August 22, 2001.

**Toian Vaughn,**

*Committee Management Officer, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

##### Endangered Species

The public is invited to comment on the following application(s) for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address below) and must be received within 30 days of the date of this notice.

PRT-046907

*Applicant:* David Andersen, Omaha, NE

The applicant request 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-046908

*Applicant:* Harold W. Andersen, Omaha, NE

The applicant request 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-041162

*Applicant:* International Animal Exchange, Ferndale, MI

The applicant requests a permit to purchase and resell in foreign commerce 3.1 cheetah (*Acinonyx jubatus*) from the Hoedspruit Research and Breeding Center, Waterkloof, South Africa to the Fuji Safari Park/Koizumi African Lion Safari Co., Ltd., Shizuoka-Ken, Japan for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through captive propagation and conservation education.

PRT-046986

*Applicant:* Minnesota Zoological Garden, Apple Valley, MN

The applicant requests a permit to re-export one male Komodo Island monitor (*Varanus komodoensis*) of wild origin to Toronto Zoo, Ontario, Canada for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through captive propagation.

### 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 18).

Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Director (address below) and must be received within 30 days of the date 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.

PRT-043735

*Applicant:* Thomas Edward Ferry, Ponca, NE

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport hunted from the Viscount Melville polar bear population in Canada for personal use. On June 15, 2001 [66 FR 32636], the permit request was mistakenly published as a sport-hunted bear from the Northern Beaufort Sea population.

PRT-044833

*Applicant:* Jack A. Wilkinson, Kalispell, MT

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population in Canada for personal use. On July 11, 2001 [66 FR 36296], the permit request was mistakenly published as a sport-

hunted bear from the Northern Beaufort Sea population.

PRT-046899

*Applicant:* Andy Krook, New Ipswich, NH

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea 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.

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 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358-2104 or fax 703/358-2281.

Dated: August 17, 2001.

**Anna Barry,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Roosevelt Habitat Conservation Plan (RHCP) for Gila and Maricopa Counties, Arizona

**AGENCY:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and notice of public scoping meeting related to the Roosevelt Habitat Conservation Plan (RHCP).

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), this notice advises the public that the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) intends to prepare an EIS to evaluate the impacts of and alternatives for the possible issuance of an incidental take permit (ITP), pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), to the Salt River Project (SRP). SRP proposes to be an applicant for an ITP, through development and implementation of the RHCP, as required by the Act for

issuance of an ITP. The RHCP will provide the measures to minimize and mitigate the effects of the proposed taking of listed and sensitive species and the habitats upon which they depend.

**DATES AND ADDRESSES:** Written comments on alternatives and issues to be addressed in the EIS are requested by November 22, 2001, and should be sent to Mr. David Harlow, Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2321 West Royal Palm Road, Suite 103, Phoenix, AZ 85021 at 602/242-0210. Oral and written comments also will be accepted at a public scoping meeting to be held on October 22, 2001, 6-8 p.m. at the offices of the Salt River Project, 1521 Project Drive, Tempe, Arizona.

Written comments received by the Service become part of the public record associated with this action. Those comments, as well as the names and addresses of anyone who provides comments may and can be disclosed to requesters of information associated with this notice under the Freedom of Information Act.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE EIS,**

**CONTACT:** On the EIS, Contact: Ms. Sherry Barrett, Assistant Field Supervisor, Tucson Suboffice, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 West Congress, Room 6J, Tucson, AZ 85701 at 520/670-4617, or Mr. Jim Rorabaugh, Arizona State Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2321 West Royal Palm Road, Suite 103, Phoenix, AZ 85021 at 602/242-0210.

For further information on the RHCP, Contact: Mr. John Keane, Executive Environmental Policy Analyst, Salt River Project, P.O. Box 52025, PAB355, Phoenix, AZ 85072-2025 at 602/236-5087, or Mr. Steve Dougherty, Senior Ecologist, ERO Resources Corporation, 1842 Clarkson Street, Denver, CO 80218 at 303/830-1188.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice advises the public that the Service intends to gather information necessary to determine impacts and formulate alternatives for the EIS related to the potential issuance of an ITP to SRP and the development and implementation of the RHCP, which will provide measures to minimize and mitigate the effects of the incidental take of federally listed species.

### Background

Roosevelt Dam and reservoir (Roosevelt) is operated by SRP in conjunction with three other reservoirs on the Salt River and two reservoirs on the Verde River as integral features of the Salt River Reclamation Project (Project), authorized by the Reclamation

Act of 1902, and pursuant to a 1917 contract with the United States. Since completion in 1911, Roosevelt has provided water for power generation, irrigation, municipal and other uses. Currently, the reservoir system supplies water to more than 1.6 million people in the cities of Phoenix, Mesa, Chandler, Tempe, Glendale, Gilbert, Scottsdale, Tolleson, and Avondale. In addition, water is provided to irrigate agricultural lands within the Project and for other uses. Also, water is delivered to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Fort McDowell Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, Buckeye Irrigation Company, Roosevelt Irrigation District, Roosevelt Water Conservation District, and others. Roosevelt and the other SRP reservoirs also provide a variety of recreational uses and environmental benefits in central Arizona.

Due to dry conditions in central Arizona for the past several years, the reservoir level behind Roosevelt Dam has been below normal. As a result, riparian vegetation has invaded and flourished in the portion of the storage space historically used by SRP to store water for use in the Phoenix metropolitan area. Animals that use riparian habitat have followed the vegetation growth and now occupy areas within the reservoir. In particular, a population of southwestern willow flycatchers (*Empidonax traillii eximius*), which is listed as endangered under federal law, now occupies habitat within the storage space at Roosevelt. Thus, periodic refilling of the reservoir may adversely affect habitat used by the southwestern willow flycatcher and other sensitive species.

### Purpose and Need for Action

Section 9 of the Act prohibits the "taking" of threatened and endangered species. The Service may, however, under limited circumstances, issue permits to take federally listed and candidate species, when such a taking is incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for endangered species are at 50 CFR 17.22. The term "take" under the Act means to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or attempt to engage in any such conduct. The proposed permit would allow approved incidental take associated with SRP's filling of the reservoir space and continued operation of Roosevelt, consistent with its purpose as a water storage and power generation facility.

Section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Act and regulations at 50 CFR 17.32 contain provisions for issuing ITPs to non-