

Use: See notice at 60 FR 40823, August 10, 1995. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides: (1) superior dynamic range, (2) bandwidth from 5.0 to 0.003 Hz and (3) deployment on the surface. *Advice Received From:* The U.S. Geological Survey, September 8, 1995.

Docket Number: 95-066. *Applicant:* University of Maryland, College Park, MD 20742. *Instrument:* Sun Photometer and Filters, Model CE 318-1.

Manufacturer: Cimel Electronique, France. *Intended Use:* See notice at 60 FR 42847, August 17, 1995. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides measurement of both sun and sky radiance with: (1) microprocessor controlled positioning, (2) satellite uplink and (3) spectral filters compatible with NASA instruments. *Advice Received From:* The National Weather Service, September 12, 1995.

The U.S. Geological Survey and The National Weather Service advise that (1) these capabilities of each of the foreign instruments described above are pertinent to each applicant's intended purpose and (2) they know of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value for the intended use of each instrument.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus being manufactured in the United States which is of equivalent scientific value to either of the foreign instruments.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 100295D]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held on October 23-27, 1995. The Council meeting will begin on October 24, at 9:00 a.m. in a closed session (not open to the public) to discuss personnel matters and litigation. The open session will begin at 9:30 a.m. The Council meeting will reconvene at 8:00 a.m.

each day, October 25 through October 27. The meetings may continue each day into the evening hours if necessary to complete business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn and Conference Center, 8439 NE Columbia Boulevard, Portland, OR 97220; telephone: (503) 256-5000.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lawrence D. Six, Executive Director, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Council Agenda

A. Call to Order

B. Highly Migratory Species Management

C. Groundfish Management

1. Final harvest levels and other specifications for 1996.
2. Status of implementation of Federal regulations.
3. Status of fisheries and inseason trip limit adjustments.
4. Trip limit overage allowances and enforcement policies.
5. Trip limits for 1996 (except fixed gear sablefish, agenda item E.9).
6. Whiting season start date in 1996 and beyond.
7. Whiting management for 1997 and beyond.
8. Recommendations of the West Coast Groundfish Stock Assessment Review Panel.
9. Limited entry fixed gear sablefish fishery in 1996.
10. Limited entry fixed gear sablefish fishery in 1997 and beyond.

D. Pacific Halibut Management

1. Summary of 1995 fisheries.
2. Recreational fishery measures for 1996.

E. Habitat Issues

1. Lewis River Enhancement Program.
2. Report of the Steering Group.

F. Salmon Management

1. Sequence of events and status of fisheries.
2. Status report on hook and release mortality estimates for the commercial ocean fishery.
3. Status of methodology reviews.
4. State agency reports on activities to restore natural stocks.
5. Scoping session for plan amendments.
6. Report on size reduction in Pacific salmon.

G. Administrative and Other Matters

1. Budget Committee report.

2. Appointment to the Groundfish Advisory Panel.

3. Status of legislation.

4. NMFS report on impacts of Pinnipeds and Salmonids and coastal ecosystems of the west coast.

5. Work load priorities for 1996.

6. Draft agenda for March 1996.

Other Meetings

The Scientific and Statistical Committee will meet on October 23-24 at 8:00 a.m., to address scientific issues related to Council agenda items.

The Groundfish Management Team will convene on October 23 at 8:00 a.m., to address groundfish management items on the Council agenda.

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel will convene on October 23 at 1:00 p.m., to address groundfish management items on the Council agenda, and will reconvene at 8:00 a.m. on October 24-25.

The Habitat Steering Group will convene on October 23 at 10:00 a.m., to consider activities affecting the habitat of fish stocks managed by the Council.

The Budget Committee will convene on October 23 at 3:00 p.m., to review the fiscal year 1996 budget situation.

The Enforcement Consultants meet on October 23 at 7:00 p.m., to address enforcement issues related to Council agenda items, and will reconvene at 7:00 p.m. on October 25.

The Legislative Committee will meet on October 23 at 1:00 p.m., to comment on amendments to the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

The Salmon Advisory Panel will meet on October 24 at 10:00 a.m., to consider salmon management issues on the Council's agenda.

The Salmon Technical Team will meet on October 24 at 10:00 a.m., to consider salmon management issues on the Council's agenda.

Detailed agendas for the above advisory meetings will be available from the Council after October 12, 1995.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Lawrence D. Six at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 4, 1995.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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[I.D. 100395A]**Marine Mammals**

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Receipt of application to modify permit no. 867 (P540).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dr. Frank Cipriano, Kewalo Marine Laboratory 13 Ahui Street, Honolulu, HI 96813, has requested a modification to permit No. 867.

ADDRESSES: The modification request and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4015), including the Pacific Area Office of NMFS, 2570 Dole Street, Room 106, Honolulu, HI 96822-2396 (808/955-8831);

Director, Northwest Region (206/526-6150) and Director, National Marine Mammal Laboratory (206/526-4020), NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Seattle, WA 98115;

Director, Alaska Region, NMFS, Federal Annex, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802 (907/586-7221); and

Director, Southeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, 9450 Koger Blvd., St. Petersburg, FL 33702 (813/893-3141).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910, within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular modification request would be appropriate.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, the Secretary of Commerce is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification to permit No. 867, issued on July 20, 1993 (58 FR 40114) and modified on April 12, 1994 (59 FR 6949), is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the

Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222).

Permit No. 867 authorizes the permit holder to obtain and/or import blood, and/or muscle, liver, gonadal, skin or blubber samples from various cetacean species for phylogenetic analyses. Samples may be obtained from available collections and museums in the United States, or imported from Argentina, Canada, Chile, France, Peru, New Zealand, South Africa, and the United Kingdom.

The permit holder requests authorization to include two other species, Commerson's dolphin (*Cephalorhynchus commersoni*) and killer whale (*Orcinus orca*) in the analysis to help in the assessment of the relationship of various *Lagenorhynchus* species to other dolphins; and increase the number of bottlenose dolphin specimens to be obtained from 6 to 40 specimens. Additionally, he requests that bones and teeth be added to the list of tissues that may be obtained and imported and to import samples from Australia. The *C. commersoni* specimens and *O. orca* specimens are available from Sea World and several other tissue collections.

Dated: October 3, 1995.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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[I.D. 100495A]**Endangered Species; Permits**

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Issuance of permit 981, and modification 1 to permit 962.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS issued Permit 981 to David Owens of Texas A&M University (P531A), and Modification 1 to Permit 962 held by Carlos Diez and Robert van Dam of the University of Central Florida (P509B). Both permits authorize the take of listed sea turtles for the purpose of scientific research, subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

ADDRESSES: The applications, permits, and related documents are available for review by appointment in the following offices:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR8, NMFS, 1315 East-West Hwy., Room 13307, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226 (301-713-1401); and

Director, Southeast Region, NMFS, NOAA 9721 Executive Center Drive, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (813-893-3141).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A notice was published on July 21, 1995 (60 FR 37627) that an application had been filed by David Owens of Texas A&M University (P531A), to take listed sea turtles as authorized by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and NMFS regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-222). Dr. Owens has requested authorization to conduct scientific research on listed sea turtles in the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary and Stetson Bank (reef systems), through 1996. The purpose of the research is to study habitat use, migratory patterns, and feeding biology of loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*) and hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) sea turtles. Twenty loggerhead and four hawksbill sea turtles will be captured by hand, attached with tags and transmitters, have blood samples taken for genetic identification and sex determination, have ultrasonography (a non-invasive technique) conducted to identify pre-reproductive females, and have stomach lavage conducted to determine diet. In addition, turtles may be observed and filmed to determine feeding habits and forage/prey preferences. On September 27, 1995, NMFS issued a permit authorizing this take.

Carlos Diez of the University of Central Florida (P509B) has requested a modification to Permit 962, authorizing the sampling of scute material from 30 hawksbill turtles in the waters of Mona and Monito Islands, Puerto Rico. On October 4, 1995, NMFS issued a permit authorizing this take.

Issuance of this permit and permit modification, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit and modification: (1) Were applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of the permit and modification, and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: October 5, 1995.

Russell J. Bellmer,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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