

Abstract: All items imported into the United States are subject to examination before entering the commerce of the United States. There are two procedures available to effect the release of imported merchandise, including "entry" pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1484, and "immediate delivery" pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1448(b). Under both procedures, CBP Forms 3461 and 3461 ALT are the source documents in the packages presented to Customs and Border Protection (CBP). The information collected on CBP Forms 3461 and 3461 ALT allow CBP officers to verify that the information regarding the consignee and shipment is correct and that a bond is on file with CBP. CBP also uses these forms to close out the manifest and to establish the obligation to pay estimated duties in the time period prescribed by law or regulation. CBP Form 3461 is also a delivery authorization document and is given to the importing carrier to authorize the release of the merchandise.

CBP Forms 3461 and 3461 ALT are provided for by 19 CFR 141 and 142. These forms and instructions are accessible at: <http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/toolbox/forms/>

Simplified Entry is a program for ACE entry summary filers in which importers or brokers may file Simplified Entry data in lieu of filing the CBP Form 3461. This data consists of 12 required elements: importer of record; buyer name and address; buyer employer identification number (consignee number), seller name and address; manufacturer/supplier name and address; Harmonized Tariff Schedule 10-digit number; country of origin; bill of lading; house air waybill number; bill of lading issuer code; entry number; entry type; and estimated shipment value. Three optional data elements are the container stuffing location; consolidator name and address, and ship to party name and address. The data collected under the Simplified Entry program is intended to reduce transaction costs, expedite cargo release, and enhance cargo security. The Simplified Entry filing minimizes the redundancy of data submitted by the filer to CBP through receiving carrier data from the carrier. This design allows the participants to file earlier in the transportation flow. Guidance on using Simplified Entry may be found at http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/trade_transformation/simplified_entry/

Current Actions: CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with no change to the burden hours or to the information being collected.

Type of Review: Extension (without change)

Affected Public: Businesses

CBP Form 3461

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,029.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1,410.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 8,500,890.

Estimated Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,125,223.

CBP Form 3461 ALT

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,795.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1,390.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 9,444,069.

Estimated Time per Response: 3 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 472,203.

Simplified Entry

Estimated Number of Respondents: 500

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1,410.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 705,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 117,030.

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Tracey Denning,

Agency Clearance Officer, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Extension of the Air Cargo Advance Screening (ACAS) Pilot Program and Reopening of Application Period for Participation

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, DHS.

ACTION: General notice.

SUMMARY: On October 24, 2012, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published a notice in the **Federal Register** that announced the formalization and expansion of the Air Cargo Advance Screening (ACAS) pilot program that would run for six months. This document announces that CBP is

extending the pilot period for an additional six months and reopening the application period for new participants for 30 days. The ACAS pilot is a voluntary test in which participants submit a subset of required advance air cargo data to CBP at the earliest point practicable prior to loading of the cargo onto the aircraft destined to or transiting through the United States.

DATES: CBP is extending the ACAS pilot program through October 26, 2013, and reopening the application period to accept applications from new ACAS pilot participants through May 23, 2013. Comments concerning any aspect of the announced test may be submitted at any time during the test period.

ADDRESSES: Applications to participate in the ACAS pilot must be submitted via email to CBPCCS@cbp.dhs.gov. Written comments concerning program, policy, and technical issues may also be submitted via email to CBPCCS@cbp.dhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Regina Park, Cargo and Conveyance Security, Office of Field Operations, U.S. Customs & Border Protection, via email at regina.park@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 24, 2012, CBP published a general notice in the **Federal Register** (77 FR 65006, corrected in 77 FR 65395¹) announcing that CBP is formalizing and expanding the ACAS pilot to include other eligible participants in the air cargo environment. The notice provides a description of the ACAS pilot, sets forth eligibility requirements for participation, and invites public comments on any aspect of the test. In brief, the ACAS pilot revises the time frame for pilot participants to transmit a subset of mandatory advance electronic information for air cargo. CBP regulations implementing the Trade Act of 2002 specify the required data elements and the time frame for submitting them to CBP. Pursuant to 19 CFR 122.48a, the required advance information for air cargo must be submitted no later than the time of departure of the aircraft for the United States (from specified locations) or four hours prior to arrival in the United States for all other locations.

The ACAS pilot is a voluntary test in which participants agree to submit a subset of the required 19 CFR 122.48a

¹ This **Federal Register** notice, published on October 26, 2012, corrected the email address under the **ADDRESSES** heading for submitting applications or comments. The correct email address is CBPCCS@cbp.dhs.gov.

data elements (ACAS data) at the earliest point practicable prior to loading of the cargo onto the aircraft destined to or transiting through the United States. The ACAS data is used to target high-risk air cargo. CBP is considering possible amendments to the regulations regarding advance information for air cargo. The results of the ACAS pilot will help determine the relevant data elements, the time frame within which data must be submitted to permit CBP to effectively target, identify and mitigate any risk with the least impact practicable on trade operations, and any other related procedures and policies.

Extension of the ACAS Pilot Period and Reopening of the Application Period

The October 2012 notice announced that the ACAS pilot would run for six months. The notice provided that if CBP determined that the pilot period should be extended, CBP would publish another notice in the **Federal Register**. The October 2012 notice also stated that applications from new ACAS pilot participants would be accepted until November 23, 2012. On December 26, 2012, CBP published a notice in the **Federal Register** reopening the application period for new participants until January 10, 2013 (77 FR 76064, corrected in 78 FR 315²). Although there has been a significant increase in the diversity and number of pilot participants representing a strong sample size of the air cargo community, CBP continues to receive a number of requests to participate in the pilot. In order to ensure that the broader air cargo community has a sufficient opportunity to participate in the ACAS pilot and to prepare for possible proposed regulatory changes, CBP is extending the ACAS pilot period through October 26, 2013, and reopening the application period through May 23, 2013.

Anyone interested in participating in the ACAS pilot should refer to the notice published in the **Federal Register** on October 24, 2012, for additional application information and eligibility requirements

Dated: April 18, 2013.

David Murphy,

Acting Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations.

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² The **Federal Register**, published on January 3, 2013, corrected the date of the close of the reopened application period from "January 8, 2013" to "January 10, 2013".

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following application to conduct certain activities with endangered or threatened species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by May 23, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments or requests for copies or more information by any of the following methods. Alternatively, you may use one of the following methods to request hard copies or a CD-ROM of the documents. Please specify the permit you are interested in by number (e.g., Permit No. TE-106182).

- *Email:* permitsR6ES@fws.gov.

Please refer to the respective permit number (e.g., Permit No. TE-106182) in the subject line of the message.

- *U.S. Mail:* Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486-DFC, Denver, CO 80225

- *In-Person Drop-Off, Viewing, or Pickup:* Call (303) 236-4212 to make an appointment during regular business hours at 134 Union Blvd., Suite 645, Lakewood, CO 80228.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Konishi, Permit Coordinator Ecological Services, (303) 236-4212 (phone); permitsR6ES@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits activities with endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes you to

conduct activities with United States endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes, enhancement of propagation or survival, or interstate commerce (the latter only in the event that it facilitates scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival). Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Application Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public to comment on the following application. Documents and other information the applicant has submitted are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Application Number: TE-106182

Applicant: Denver Botanic Gardens, Inc., 909 York St., Department of Research and Conservation, Denver, CO 80206

The applicant requests an amendment to an existing permit to take (hold, propagate, and display) clay-loving wild buckwheat (*Eriogonum pelinophilum*), Knowlton's cactus (*Pediocactus knowltonii*), Mancos milk-vetch (*Astragalus humillimus*), North Park phacelia (*Phacelia formosula*), Osterhout milkvetch (*Astragalus osterhoutii*), Pagosa skyrocket (*Ipomopsis polyantha*), Penland beardtongue (*Penstemon penlandii*), and San Rafael cactus (*Pediocactus despainii*) under permit TE-106182 for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

National Environmental Policy Act

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in this permit are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1, 1.4C(1)).

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.