

Date: September 30, 1996.

Time: 9:00 A.M.

Place: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, South Campus, Building 101, Conference Room D-350, Research Triangle Park, NC.

Contact Person: Dr. John Braun, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709 (919) 541-1446.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

This notice is being published less than fifteen days prior to this meeting due to the urgent need to meet timing limitations imposed by the grant review and funding cycle.

Name of SEP: Biological Effects of Power Frequency EMS.

Date: October 28-29, 1996.

Time: 8:30 A.M.

Place: National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences South Campus, Building 101, Conference Center 101-B, Research Triangle Park, NC.

Contact Person: Dr. Carol Shreffler, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, P.O. Box 12233, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709, (919) 541-1445.

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

These meetings will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 522b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Programs Nos. 93.113, Biological Response to Environmental Agents; 93.114, Applied Toxicological Research and Testing; 93.115, Biometry and Risk Estimation; 93.894, Resource and Manpower Development, National Institutes of Health.)

Dated: September 12, 1996.

Paula N. Hayes,

Acting Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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### National Institute of Nursing Research; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following National Institutes of Nursing Research Special Emphasis Panel (SEP) meeting:

Name of SEP: Review of Institutional (T32) and Individual (F31 and F32) National Research Service Awards and Mentored Research Science Development Awards-Nursing (K01).

Date: October 23-25, 1996.

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Place: Holiday Inn Bethesda, 8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, Maryland 20814.

Contact Person: Mary Stephens-Frazier, Ph.D., Building 45, Room 3AN-32E, 45 Center Drive, MSC 6302, Bethesda, MD 20892-6302, (301) 594-5971.

This meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. Applications and/or proposals and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications and/or proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 93.361, Nursing Research, National Institutes of Health.)

Dated: September 2, 1996.

Paula N. Hayes,

Acting Committee Management Officer, NIH.

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### National Institute on Aging; Amended Notice of Meeting of the National Advisory Council on Aging

Notice is hereby given of a change in the schedule for the meeting of the National Advisory Council on Aging, National Institute on Aging, September 26-27, 1996, to be held at the National Institutes of Health, Building 31, Conference Room 10, Bethesda, Maryland published in the Federal Register on August 20 (61 FR 43065). This meeting was scheduled to be open to the public on Thursday, September 26 from 8:30 a.m. To 2:30 p.m. and again on Friday, September 27 from 8:30 a.m. until adjournment.

The meeting was scheduled to be closed on Thursday, September 26 from 2:30 until recess. The meeting will be open to the public on Thursday, September 26 from 2:00 until 3:00 p.m., and again on Friday, September 27 from 8:30 a.m. until adjournment. The closed portion of the meeting will take place on Thursday, September 26 from 3:00 p.m. to recess.

Dated: September 10, 1996.

Paula N. Hayes,

Acting Committee Management Office, NIH.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

[4310-55]

The following applicants have applied 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.).

PRT-819573

Applicant: The Peregrine Fund, Boise, ID.

The applicant requests a permit to import live harpy eagle (*Harpia harpyja*), blood, tissue and DNA samples and to export/re-export live birds as part of an on-going conservation project which enhances the survival and propagation of this species. This notice covers activities conducted by the applicant over a five year period.

PRT-819460

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, Escondido, CA.

The applicant requests a permit to import four Antillean manatees (*Trichechus manatus manatus*), determined to be Pre-Act under the Marine Mammal Protection Act, for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education.

PRT-819657

Applicant: Robert B. Haigh, Chicago, IL.

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-819654

Applicant: Gordon F. Bennett, Black River, MI.

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-819653

Applicant: Donald Lafave, Black River, MI.

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.

Written data or comments should be submitted to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director within 30 days of the date of this publication.

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 to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 430, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: September 13, 1996.

Mary Ellen Amtower,

*Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.*

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## Fish and Wildlife Service

### Emergency Exemption: Issuance

On September 9, 1996, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) issued a permit (PRT-819483) to Charles Darwin Foundation, Falls Church, Virginia to import blood and tissue samples from Galapagos tortoises (*Geochelone nigra*). The 30-day public comment period required by section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act was waived. The Service determined that an emergency affecting the health and life of the tortoises existed and that no reasonable alternative was available to the applicant, for the following reasons: (1) the Charles Darwin Research Station in the Galapagos Islands have lost 8 tortoises to an unknown disease and 9 more are showing symptoms of this disease; (2) by importing these samples, researchers hope to isolate the disease-causing agent in order to determine the best treatment to the disease and prevent further loss of this species.

Dated: September 13, 1996.

Mary Ellen Amtower,

*Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority.*

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### Notice of Receipt of an Application, and Availability of an Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for an Incidental Take Permit by Plantation Palms, L.L.C., for Construction of a Residential Project on the Fort Morgan Peninsula, Alabama

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Plantation Palms, L.L.C., (Applicant), seeks an incidental take permit (ITP) from the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), pursuant to Section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), (Act) as amended. The ITP would authorize for a period of 30 years the incidental take of an endangered species, the Alabama beach mouse (*Peromyscus polionotus ammobates*), known to occupy a 4-acre tract of land owned by the Applicant on the Fort Morgan Peninsula, Baldwin County, Alabama. The project would be called Plantation Palms, which will include three condominium complexes, 38 single family/duplex lots, their associated landscaped grounds and parking areas, recreational amenities, and dune walkover structures.

The Service also announces the availability of an Environmental Assessment (EA) and Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) for this incidental take application. Copies of the EA and/or HCP may be obtained by making a request in writing to the Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES**). This notice also advises the public that the Service has made preliminary determinations that issuing an ITP to the Applicant is not a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment within the meaning of Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, (NEPA) as amended. The Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is based on information contained in the EA and HCP. The final determination will be made no sooner than 30 days from the date of this notice. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10 of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act Regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

**DATES:** Written comments on the application, EA and HCP should be sent to the Service's Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES**) and should be received on or before October 18, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Persons wishing to review the application, HCP, and EA may obtain a copy by writing the Service's Southeast Regional Office, Atlanta, Georgia. Documents will also be

available for public inspection by appointment during normal business hours at the Regional Office, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30345 (Attn: Endangered Species Permits), or at the Daphne, Alabama, Field Office, 2001 Highway 98, Daphne East Office Plaza, Suite A, Daphne, Alabama 36526. Written data or comments concerning the application, EA, or HCP should be submitted to the Regional Office. Comments must be submitted in writing to be processed. Please reference permit(s) under PRT-816555 in such comments, or in requests for the documents discussed herein. Requests for the documents must be in writing to be adequately processed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Rick G. Gooch, Regional Permit Coordinator, Atlanta, Georgia (see **ADDRESSES** above), telephone: 404/679-7110; or Ms. Celeste South at the Daphne, Alabama, Field Office (see **ADDRESSES** above), telephone: 334/441-5181.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Alabama beach mouse (ABM), *Peromyscus polionotus ammobates*, is a subspecies of the common oldfield mouse *Peromyscus polionotus* and is restricted to the dune systems of the Gulf Coast of Alabama. The known current range of ABM extends from Fort Morgan eastward to the western terminus of Alabama Highway 182, including the Perdue Unit on the Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge. The sand dune systems inhabited by this species are not uniform; several habitat types are distinguishable. The species inhabits primary dunes, interdune areas, secondary dunes, and scrub dunes. The depth and area of these habitats from the beach inland varies. Population surveys indicate that this subspecies is usually more abundant in primary dunes than in secondary dunes, and usually more abundant in secondary dunes than in scrub dunes. Optimal ABM habitat is currently considered dune systems with all dune types. Though fewer ABM inhabit scrub dunes, these high dunes can serve as refugia during devastating hurricanes that overwash, flood, and destroy or alter secondary and frontal dunes. ABM surveys on the Applicants' properties reveal habitat occupied by ABM. The Applicants' properties contain designated critical habitat for the ABM. Construction of the project may result in the death of, or injury to, ABM. Habitat alterations due to condominium placement and subsequent human habitation of the project may reduce