Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740257 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area Bldg. 5557-03, Badger AAP Change House Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740258 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area 13 Bldgs., Badger AAP Latrines Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Location: 6513-05, 11, 25, 26, 29, 45, 9063-06 thru 10, 13, 14 Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740259 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area 2 Bldgs, Badger AAP Transfer Shed 6531-01, 02 Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740260 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area Bldg. 6538-00, Badger AAP Powerhouse #2 Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740261 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area 2 Bldgs, Badger AAP Gate House 6543-02, 6543-04 Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740262 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area Bldgs. 6543-05, Badger AAP Gate House Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740263 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area 3 Bldgs, Badger AAP Inspection House 6543-11, 13, 14 Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740264 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area Bldg. 6550-00, Badger AAP Maint Ofc. Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740265 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area

2 Bldgs, Badger AAP Inert Storage 6586-04, 05 Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740266 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area Bldg. 6701-00, Badger AAP NC Blender House Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740267 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area 10 Bldgs, Badger AAP Pre-Dry House 6709-14, 15, 16, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 28 Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740268 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area, Extensive deterioration 11 Bldgs, Badger AAP Rest House Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Location: 6726-02, 6803-01, 02, 03, 04, 6812-08 17, 18, 19, 6828-07, 6882-02 Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740269 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area Bldg. 6739-00, Badger AAP Bag Loading House Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740270 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area 3 Bldgs, Badger AAP Rest House 6804-01, 08, 14 Baraboo Co: Sauk WI 53913-Landholding Agency: Army Property Number: 219740271 Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material, Secured Area. [FR Doc. 97-31070 Filed 11-26-97; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Applications for Permit

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.*):

Applicant: Elvin Franks, Morehead City, NC, PRT–836847.

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.

Applicant: Randy Miller, Acton, CA, PRT-835827.

The applicant requests a permit to export and reimport one captive born leopard (*Panthera pardus*) and progeny of the animals currently held by the applicant and any animals acquired in the United States by the applicant to/ from worldwide locations to enhance the survival of the species through conservation education. This notification covers activities conducted by the applicant over a three year period.

Applicant: Randy Miller, Acton, CA, PRT-836809.

The applicant requests a permit to export and reimport one captive born Siberian tiger (*Panthera tigris altaica*), and progeny of the animals currently held by the applicant and any animals acquired in the United States by the applicant to/from worldwide locations to enhance the survival of the species through conservation education. This notificatation covers activities conducted by the applicant over a three year period.

Applicant: The Cincinnati Zoo and Botanical Garden, Cincinnati, OH, PRT– 836269.

The applicant requests a permit to export 10 tigers (*Panthera tigris*) to Safari World Public Company, Bangkok, Thailand for the purpose of enhancement of the species through conservation education and propagation.

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 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203 and must be received by the Director on or before December 29, 1997.

The public is invited to comment on the following application for a permit to conduct certain activities with marine mammals. The application 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).

Applicant: Texas A&M University, Galveston, TX, PRT–766146.

Permit Type: Take for Scientific Research.

Name and Number of Animals: Manatee (Trichechus manatus), 20. Summary of Activity to be Authorized: The applicant has requested amendment and renewal of their permit to take captive manatees at facilities in Florida for the purpose of scientific research. The only amendments are staff-related.

Source of Marine Mammals: Captive manatees at facilities in Florida.

Period of Activity: Up to five years from issuance date of the permit, if issued.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the Office of Management Authority is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of any of these complete applications, or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203, telephone 703/358–2104 or fax 703/358-2281 and must be received on or before December 29, 1997. 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.

Documents and other information submitted with the application 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 above address within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.

Dated: November 20, 1997.

Mary Ellen Amtower,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority. [FR Doc. 97–31200 Filed 11–26–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4310-55–P

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability of Draft Conservation Agreement for the Wasatch Front and West Desert Populations (Utah) of Spotted Frog (Rana luteiventris) for Review and Comment

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service announces the availability for public review of a Draft Conservation

Agreement for the spotted frog (Rana luteiventris) in Utah. This species is a candidate for Federal listing pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. The Conservation Agreement was developed by the Utah Department of Natural Resources, with participation from the following parties: Bureau of Land Management; Utah Reclamation, Mitigation and Conservation Commission; Bureau of Reclamation; Central Utah Water Conservancy District; the Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation; and the Service. The agreement focuses on eliminating or minimizing threats to the spotted frog and its habitat to the greatest extent possible and on restoring and maintaining populations of spotted frog throughout its historical range in Utah. The Service solicits review and comment from the public on the draft agreement.

DATES: Comments on the Draft Conservation Agreement must be received on or before December 29, 1997, to be considered by the Service during preparation of the final conservation agreement and prior to the Service's determination whether it will be a signatory party to the agreement. ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the Draft Conservation Agreement may obtain a copy by contacting the Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 145 East 1300 South, Suite 404, Salt Lake City, Utah 84115. Written comments and materials regarding the Draft Conservation Agreement should also be directed to the same address. Comments and written materials will be available upon request for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Reed E. Harris, Field Supervisor (see ADDRESSES section) (telephone 801/524–5001).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The spotted frog belongs to the family of true frogs, the Ranidae. Adult frogs have large, dark spots on their backs and pigmentation on their abdomens ranging from yellow to red (Turner 1957). Spotted frogs along the Wasatch Front generally possess a salmon color ventrally, while West Desert and Sanpete County, Utah populations generally have a yellow to yelloworange color ventrally. Spotted frogs in Utah are reported to have fewer and lighter colored spots (Colburn, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, pers. comm., 1992) than other populations. The spotted frog is closely associated with

water (Dumas 1966, Nussbaum et al. 1983). Habitat includes the marshy edges of ponds, lakes, slow-moving cool water streams and springs (Licht 1974; Nussbaum et al. 1983; Morris and Tanner 1969; Hovingh 1987). The present distribution of the spotted frog includes a main population in southeast Alaska, Alberta, British Columbia, eastern Washington, northeastern Oregon, northern and central Idaho, and western Montana and Wyoming. Additional disjunct populations occur in northeastern California, southern Idaho, Nevada, Utah, and western Washington and Oregon.

On May 1, 1989, the Service received a petition from the Board of Directors of the Utah Nature Study Society requesting that the Service add the spotted frog (Rana pretiosa) to the List of Threatened and Endangered Species and to specifically consider the status of the Wasatch, Utah, population. The Service subsequently published a notice of a 90-day finding in the Federal **Register** (54 FR 42529) on October 17, 1990 and a notice of the 12-month petition finding in the Federal Register (58 FR 27260) on May 7, 1993. In the 12month petition finding the Service found that listing of the spotted frog as threatened in some portions of its range was warranted but precluded by other higher priority listing actions. The Service found, based on geographic and climatic separation and supported by genetic separation, five distinct vertebrate populations of spotted frog. Listing of both the populations occurring in Utah, the Wasatch Front and West Desert populations, was found to be warranted but precluded and both populations were transferred from category 2 candidates to category 1. The Wasatch Front population was assigned a listing priority number of 3 because the magnitude of the threats were high and imminent, while the West Desert population was assigned a listing priority of 9 because of moderate to low threats.

In the 1997 Candidate Notice of Review (62 FR 49398) published on September 19, 1997, the Service, based on newly published genetic research (Green 1997), assigned a new scientific name (*Rana luteiventris*) and common name (Columbia spotted frog) to several populations of the spotted frog, including both the Wasatch Front and West Desert populations. Additionally, the listing priority number for the West Desert populations was raised from a 9 to a 6.

Shortly after notice of the 12-month petition finding was published, the Utah Department of Natural Resources initiated a monitoring program for the