

Place: NIH Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).
Contact Person: Gordon L. Johnson, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4136, MSC 7802, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1212.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: November 29, 1999.

Time: 11 am to 1 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Sami A. Mayyasi, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5112, MSC 7852, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1169.

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: November 29, 1999.

Time: 1 pm to 3 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Calbert A. Laing, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 4210, MSC 7812, Bethesda, MD 20892, 301-435-1221, laingc@csr.nih.gov

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: November 30, 1999.

Time: 1 pm to 3 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Ranga V. Srinivas, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5108, MSC 7852, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1167, srinivar@csr.nih.gov

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Dated: October 28, 1999.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

Center for Scientific Review; 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 meeting.

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

Name of Committee: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel.

Date: November 5, 1999.

Time: 1 to 3 pm.

Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Place: NIH, Rockledge 2, Bethesda, MD 20892 (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Alec S. Liacouras, Scientific Review Administrator, Center for Scientific Review, National Institutes of Health, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 5154, MSC 7842, Bethesda, MD 20892, (301) 435-1740.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

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Dated: October 28, 1999.

Anna Snouffer,

Acting Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

[FA-108-2810-00-24-1E]

Reopening of the Call for Non-Federal Nominations to the Joint Fire Science Program Stakeholder Advisory Group

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.
ACTION: Reopening of the public call for nominations to the Joint Fire Science Program Stakeholder Advisory Group.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture are reopening the call for public nominations to the Joint Fire Science Program Stakeholder Advisory Group to allow more time for the public to assemble and submit nomination materials. The initial notice was

published in the **Federal Register** on Monday, June 21, 1999 (64 FR 33112). A second notice was published in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, August 10, 1999 (64 FR 43404).

The purpose of this Stakeholder Advisory Group is to provide advice concerning priorities and approaches for research and implementation of research findings for the management of wildland fuels on lands administered by the Department of the Interior, through the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service, and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Department of Agriculture, through the Forest Service.

DATES: Nominations should be submitted to the address listed below no later than December 6, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Bob Clark, Joint Fire Science Program Manager, National Interagency Fire Center, 3833 S. Development Ave., Boise, Idaho 83705, (208) 387-5349. Internet: bob_clark@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Stakeholder Advisory Group will consist of 30 members, 15 Federal and 15 nonfederal. This call for nominations will establish the nonfederal membership on the Group. Group membership will be balanced in terms of categories of interest and geographic area represented.

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the Joint Fire Science Program Stakeholder Advisory Group. Individuals may also nominate themselves for Group membership. All nomination letters should include the name, address, profession, relevant biographic data, and reference sources for each nominee, and should be sent to the above address. Letters of support should be from interests or groups that nominees claim to represent. This material will be used to evaluate nominees in terms of their expertise and qualifications for advising the Secretaries on matters pertaining to research into wildland fuels problems and implementation of strategies and solutions for managing the increasing fuel loadings on federally administered wildlands.

Nominations may be made for the following categories of interest:

- Wildland fire management
- Wildland fuels management
- Air quality management
- Public lands management
- Forest ecology
- Rangeland ecology
- Hydrology
- Conservation
- Social science

Computer science and modeling
Tribal government
Public-at-large

The specific category that the nominee will represent should be identified in the letter of nomination.

Agency administrators will nominate Federal representatives, including: four (4) members from the U.S. Forest Service, and one member each from the Bureau of Land Management, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Park Service, the U.S. Geological Survey, the Department of Energy, the Department of Defense, the Environmental Protection Agency, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Each Stakeholder Advisory Group Member will be appointed to serve a 2-year term. Members will serve without salary, but non-federal members will be reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses at current rates for Government employees.

The Group will meet at least once annually. Additional meetings may be called in connection with special needs for advice. The Department's Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Managing Risk and Public Safety, will be the Designated Federal Officer who will call meetings of the Group.

Dated: October 29, 1999.

John Berry,

Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget.

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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.*):

PRT-016664

Applicant: Spirit Valley Wildlife Sanctuary, Spearfish, SD

The applicant requests a permit to import 1 captive born tiger (*Panthera tigris*) from Canada for public display and conservation education.

PRT-012014

Applicant: Rare Feline Breeding Center, Center Hill, FL

This is an amendment to the applicant's initial request to sell in foreign commerce and export a male and a female tiger (*Panthera tigris*) to Jinan Zoological Gardens in Shandong Province, China. The applicant now intends to export two males and two females for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through propagation and conservation education.

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).

PRT-018948

Applicant: David H. Hitzhusen, Rockford, IA.

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 authority of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the species.

PRT-018938

Applicant: Jere Brunette, Essexville, MI

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use

PRT-018939

Applicant: Brad Farrow, Alamo, CA

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Southern Beaufort Sea polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

PRT-018949

Applicant: Joseph Bartnicki, Old Forge, PA 18518

The applicant requests a permit to import a polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) sport-hunted from the Lancaster Sound polar bear population, Northwest Territories, Canada for personal use.

Written data or comments, requests for copies of the complete application, or requests for a public hearing on this application 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 within 30 days of the date of publication 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.

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 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203. Phone: (703/358-2104); FAX: (703/358-2281).

Dated: October 29, 1999.

Kristen Nelson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Issuance of Permit for Marine Mammals

On July, 19, 1999, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 64, No. 137, Page 38687, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by Randy Pope for a permit (PRT-013353) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the Lancaster Sound population, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on October 18, 1999, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On Aug. 12, 1999, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 64, No. 155, Page 38687, that an application had been filed with the Fish and Wildlife Service by David N. Rain for a permit (PRT-015154) to import one polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*) trophy taken from the McClintock Channel population, Canada for personal use.

Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 18, 1999, as authorized by the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) the Fish and Wildlife Service authorized the requested permit subject to certain conditions set forth therein.

On Aug. 5, 1999, a notice was published in the **Federal Register**, Vol. 64, No. 150, Page 42708, that an