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A.	Complete if applying as a	n individual								
1.a. Last name				1.b. First name			1.c. Middle name or initial 1.d. Suf		l 1.d. Suffix	
2. Dat	2. Date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy) 3. Occupation			4. Affiliation/ Doing business as (see instructions)			4.b. Website	URL (if appl	licable)	
5.a. T	a. Telephone number 5.b. Alternate telephone number			6. E-mail address						
B.	Complete if applying o	n behalf of a bu	siness, corporation, p	ublic agency,	Tribe, or institutio	n				
1.a. N	ame of business, agency	, Tribe, or inst	itution		1.b. Doing bu	isiness as ((dba)			
2. Tax identification no. 3.a. Description			3.a. Description o institution	f business, a	gency, Tribe, or	3.b.	3.b. Website URL (if a		applicable)	
4.a. Principal officer (P.O.) Last name			4.b. P.O. First name		4.c. P.O. Mid	ddle initial		4.d. P.O. email		
5. P.C). title				6. Primary co	ntact name	e			
7.a. P.O. telephone number7.b. A			7.b. Alternate pho	b. Alternate phone no.		8.a. Primary contact tele		phone no. 8.b. Primary contact e-mail addres		
C.	All applicants complete a	address inform	ation							
1.a. P	hysical address (Street ac	ldress; Apartm	ient #, Suite #, or R	Room #; no P	.O. Boxes)					
1.b. City 1.c. State		1.d. Zip code/		Postal code 1.e. Cou		nty/Province		. Country		
2.a. N	lailing Address (include	if different tha	n physical address;	; include nan	ne of contact per	son if app	licable)			
2.b. City 2.c		2.c. State	2.c. State		e/Postal code	2.e. County/Province		2.f.	. Country	
D.	All applicants MUST co	mplete				-				
1.	Check or money order payable to the U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE in the amount indicated on pages 2-3 (nonrefundable processing fee) . Federal, Tribal, State, and local government agencies, and those acting on behalf of such agencies, are exempt from the processing fee – <i>attach documentation of fee exempt status as outlined in instructions</i> . (50 CFR 13.11(d))									
2.	Do you currently have or have you ever had any Federal Fish and Wildlife permits? I Yes If yes, list the number of the most current permit you have held or that you are applying to renew:									
3.	Certification: I hereby certify that I have read and am familiar with the regulations contained in <i>Title 50, Part 13 of the Code of Federal Regulations</i> and the other <i>applicable parts in subchapter B of Chapter I of Title 50</i> , and I certify that the information submitted in this application for a permit is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that any false statement herein may subject me to the criminal penalties of 18 U.S.C. 1001.									
	Signature of Principal Officer (No photocopied or			stamped signatures)			Date of signature (mm/dd/yyyy)			

** See page 13 for additional instructions on completing the above form. See page 14 for information on the Paperwork Reduction Act, Privacy Act, and Freedom of Information Act aspects of this application form.

Section E. ALL APPLICANTS COMPLETE SECTION E. Provide the information outlined in Section E. on the following pages. Be as complete and descriptive as possible. Please do not send pages that are over 8.5" x 11", videotapes, or DVDs.

ENHANCEMENT OF SURVIVAL PERMITS ASSOCIATED WITH SAFE HARBOR AGREEMENTS & CANDIDATE CONSERVATION AGREEMENTS WITH ASSURANCES

What type of agreement are you requesting?

Safe Harbor Agreement

Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances

Have you obtained all required Federal, tribal, State, county, municipal or foreign government approval to conduct the activity you propose? Please be aware that there may be other requirements necessary to conduct this activity such as an import permit, collection permit, permission to work on Federal or tribal lands, Federal bird banding permit, Corps of Engineers permits, Environmental Protection Agency NPDES permits, tribal, State, county or municipal permits, etc.

[][Yes. Provide a copy of the approval(s). List the Federal agency, tribe, State, county, municipality or foreign countries involved and type of document required. Include a copy of these documents with the application.

[] I have applied. List the Federal agency, tribe, State, county, municipality or foreign countries involved and type of documents required. Provide the reasons why the permits have not been issued.

□□Not required. The proposed activity is not regulated.

Application Processing Fees

You may update your name, address, telephone number, fax number, or e-mail address in your current application package on file at any time. These changes are considered an administrative change, and no application processing fee is required. If you wish to make an administrative change, please fill out page 1 and indicate the information that you are updating. Then check the box below, provide your permit number, and send the completed pages 1-2 to the appropriate Regional Office (see attached list).

□□□Administrative change for permit number:______.

If you wish to make changes other than an administrative change, then an application processing fee is required as described below.

The application processing fee for a new Enhancement of Survival permit, or to renew/substantively amend an existing valid permit *(with major changes)* is \$50. If permit amendment *(with minor changes)* is required at a time other than renewal, the processing fee is \$25. For additional information on the application processing fee and the requirements to qualify for a fee exemption, please see the instructions for section D. on page 13.

If the information in your current application package on file has changed in a manner that triggers a substantive amendment or a change not otherwise specified in the permit or the Safe Harbor Agreement/Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances, then you <u>must</u> apply for a substantive amendment to your valid permit. For example, such major changes may include changes in location, activity, amount or type of take, or species to be covered by the permit. Please contact our Ecological Services Field Office located closest to your proposed activity for technical assistance in making this determination. The contact information for our Ecological Services Field Offices can be found on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (USFWS) office directory web page at: http://www.fws.gov/offices/.

Check the appropriate box below and enclose check or money order payable to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in the amount of:

[][]\$50 [or] fee exempt (attach justification if required)] for a **new** permit. Use Option I. below to provide the required information. OR [][\$50 [or]] fee exempt (attach justification if required)] to **renew or substantively amend** my existing valid permit (*with major changes*) using my current application package on file. Use Options I. and II. below to provide the required information. Please indicate the information that you are changing.

OR

[][\$50 [or]] fee exempt (attach justification if required)] to **renew/re-issue** my existing valid permit (*without changes*) using my current application package on file. Use Option III. below to provide the requested information.

OR

[][\$25 [or]] fee exempt (attach justification if required)] to **amend** my existing valid permit (*with minor changes*) at a time other than permit renewal. Use Options I. and II. below to provide the required information. Please indicate the information that you are changing.

Please check the type of amendment you are requesting --

add species (specify)						
add new activity with previously permitted species (specify)						
□□add a geographic area	Change in personnel					
other (specify)						

If this application includes **transfer or succession** of a valid Enhancement of Survival permit, please check the box below:

Transfer or succession of a valid Enhancement of Survival permit associated with a Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances using the current application package on file. No application fee is required. Note all transfers or successions must include an application form signed by the "new" owner(s) and, in some cases, an assumption agreement (see instructions for Option IV below).

Application Processing

To expedite a final decision on your application, you are urged to coordinate with us as soon as possible for guidance in assembling a complete application package, and to send us your complete permit application package <u>at least three months</u> prior to the start of your proposed activities. If you are renewing or amending a valid permit, your complete application package must be received at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the valid permit. These time periods begin with our acceptance of a complete permit application package, and does not include any time required for requesting clarification or additional information about your application, or the length of time between our request and your response.

The information provided in your permit application will be used to evaluate your application for compliance with the Endangered Species Act, its implementing regulations (which may require a 30 day public comment period), and with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service policy. Receipt and possession of a permit under the Endangered Species Act should be regarded as a privilege, as we must balance permit issuance with our duties to protect and recover listed species.

Up-to-date annual reports and any other required reports under your valid permit(s) must be on file before a permit will be considered for renewal, re-issuance or amendment.

If your activities may affect species under the authority of the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS/NOAA Fisheries), then you may need to obtain a separate permit from that agency. In addition we share jurisdiction with NMFS/NOAA Fisheries for sea turtles (e.g., we evaluate applications for permits to conduct activities impacting sea turtles on land, and NMFS/NOAA Fisheries evaluates applications for permits to conduct activities impacting sea turtles in the marine environment). To apply for a permit to conduct activities with sea turtles in the marine environment or other species under NMFS/NOAA Fisheries jurisdiction, please contact them via their permit web page at http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/permits/.

Our general permit regulations at 50 CFR 13.12(a)(9) allow us to collect such other information as we determine that is relevant to the processing of a permit application. Before you submit an application for an Enhancement of Survival permit, we may require that you conduct biological surveys to determine which species and/or habitat would be impacted by the activities sought to be covered under the permit. Biological surveys provide information necessary to develop an adequate Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances, and to assess the biological impacts of the proposed activities. In addition, the information provided in a Form 3-200-54 Rev. Page 3 of 14

biological survey can reduce the applicant's risk of take under Section 9 of the Endangered Species Act by ensuring that affected species and/or habitat are identified and appropriately covered under the permit.

Permits for Biological Surveys

Option 1: You are required to obtain a Scientific Purposes, Enhancement of Propagation or Survival permit (commonly called a Recovery permit) from us before engaging in any biological survey activities that would take listed species. Contact our Ecological Services Field Office closest to the location of your activity to obtain technical assistance in determining the need for both a biological survey and a Recovery permit for your survey activity. The contact information for our Ecological Services Field Offices can be found on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's office directory web page at http://www.fws.gov/offices/

If a biological survey is required, you will need to send us your complete Recovery permit application package and have it accepted <u>at least 3 months</u> prior to commencement of survey activities to facilitate processing of your Recovery permit application. The Recovery permit application is designated as U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service form # 3-200-55 and can be found on our Endangered Species permit web page at <u>http://www.fws.gov/forms/3-200-55.pdf</u>.

Option 2: You may hire consultants who already possess Recovery Permits to conduct biological surveys. We maintain a list of Recovery permittees (such as biological consultants) who have authorized the release of their contact information to third parties for conducting biological surveys on a contract basis. This list is provided to the public at the discretion of each U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regional Office as time and workload allow. Please be aware that this list does not represent an endorsement by us of any particular permittee.

If you are not applying as an individual but as a business, corporation, tribe, institution, or non-Federal public agency (block B. on page 1 of the application), the person to whom the permit will be issued (e.g., the landowner, president, director, executive director, or executive officer) is legally responsible for implementing the permit. Although other people under the direct control of the permittee (e.g., employees, contractors, consultants) receive third party take authorization in their capacity as designees of the permittee, the individual named as the permittee ultimately is legally responsible for the permit and any activities carried out under the permit except as otherwise limited in the case of permits issued to State or local government entities under 50 CFR 13.25(e).

If you wish to coordinate the processing of this permit application through an **authorized agent**, and to have that agent represent you as the primary contact with us, check the box below. Sign (in blue ink) and date the authorization statement, and provide contact information for your authorized agent.

[] I hereby authorize the following person to act as an authorized agent on my behalf in the processing of this permit application and to furnish, upon request, supplemental information in support of this permit application.

signature	(in blue ink)
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date

please print name legibly

Your Authorized Agent's Contact Information (please print

legibly) Name:		-
Address:		-
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City:	State:	Zip Code:
Telephone:		
Fax:		E-Mail:
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ENHANCEMENT OF SURVIVAL PERMIT APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

You have 4 options for providing the required information for an Enhancement of Survival permit application.

<u>Enhancement of Survival Permit Application: Option I.</u> New Enhancement of Survival Permit & Supplementary Information for Renewal or Amendment of an Existing Valid Permit (*With Changes*).

General permit regulations for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service can be found at 50 CFR 13. Regulations for an Enhancement of Survival permit associated with a Safe Harbor Agreement under the Endangered Species Act can be found at 50 CFR 17.22(c)(1) for endangered wildlife species and 50 CFR 17.32(c)(1) for threatened wildlife species. Regulations for an Enhancement of Survival permit associated with a Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances under the Endangered Species Act can be found at 50 CFR 17.22(d)(1) for endangered wildlife species and 50 CFR 17.32(d)(1) for threatened wildlife species.

Each landowner who wishes to be covered under a new or amended Enhancement of Survival permit associated with a Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances must also sign (in blue ink) and date the Enhancement of Survival Permit Application Certification Notice at the end of this application, unless the landowner will be covered under this U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Enhancement of Survival permit via another vehicle, such as a certificate of inclusion (50 CFR 13.25(d)). Any change in the language of the Certification Notice must be reviewed by the Department of the Interior, Office of the Solicitor and approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The same person who signs in box D. on page 1 of the application must sign the certification.

If the information in items A. - B. below is already provided in your final Safe Harbor Agreement or final Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances, then you do not have to provide it here. Instead, check the box below and use the spaces provided in items A. - B. to indicate the page numbers in your Agreement that provide the requested information.

I am not providing the following information for items A. - B. as part of my Enhancement of Survival permit application, because it is already provided in my final Safe Harbor Agreement or final Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (copy attached or already submitted).

If the requested information in items A. - B. is not provided in your final Safe Harbor Agreement or final Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances, or you are using Option II. to renew or amend your existing valid Enhancement of Survival permit, then attach separate pages for the missing information. In order to assist us in processing your request, please provide the item number (A. 1.a., etc.) of the required information before each of your responses. Thank you.

Please ensure that your final Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances is attached if it has not been previously submitted.

If you have previously submitted a final draft Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances, please indicate the document's date.

Date of final draft Safe Harbor Agreement

Date of final draft Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances

Applications for an Enhancement of Survival permit associated with a Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances must provide the following specific information (relevant to the activity) under items A.- B. below in addition to the general information on pages 1- 4 of this application.

A. Identify species and activity:

- 1. For a new Enhancement of Survival permit:
 - a. Provide the common and scientific names of the species requested for coverage in the permit and their status (endangered (E), threatened (T), proposed endangered (PE), proposed threatened (PT), candidate for listing (C), or species likely to become a candidate (LC)).
 - b. Provide the number, age and sex of such species to the extent known.

- c. Quantify the anticipated effects to their habitat.
- d. Describe each activity associated with your project that would result in the incidental take of each species.
- e. If you are applying for an Enhancement of Survival permit under a Safe Harbor Agreement, please provide a brief description of the baseline population and habitat conditions for each listed species proposed for coverage under the Safe Harbor Agreement. (Note: Baseline conditions must be summarized in a manner appropriate for each covered species, generally in terms of numbers of individuals present or amount of suitable habitat.)
- 2. For an amended Enhancement of Survival permit:
 - a. Identify the activities and/or species to be added to your valid permit (provide both the scientific, to the most specific taxonomic level, and common names), as well as the species' status (see 1.a. above).
 - b. Provide the number, age and sex of such species to the extent known.
 - c. If any activities requested in this application differ from those in your valid permit, then for each species state the current activity, the requested new activity, and how the new activity will impact each species.
 - d. Describe each activity associated with your project that would result in the incidental take of each species.
 - e. Quantify any anticipated effects to the habitat of each added species.
 - f. Identify activities and/or species to be deleted from your valid permit and the reason(s) for the deletion.

Page(s) & source document:

B. Identify location of the proposed activity:

- 1. Provide the name of the State, county, tribal land, and the specific location of the proposed activity site(s). Include a formal legal description, section/township/range information, county tax parcel number, local address, or any other identifying property designation that will precisely place the location of the proposed activity site(s).
- 2. Provide the total number of acres covered by the Agreement ______

Is this the total acreage of the parcel? (check one) [] yes [] no

- 3. Provide the approximate number of acres to be impacted _____
- 4. Provide the approximate number of acres to be protected _____
- 5. Provide a complete description, including timeframes, for implementation of proposed voluntary management activities to enhance, restore, or maintain habitat benefiting federally listed, proposed or candidate species, or other species likely to become candidates.

Page(s) & source document: _____

<u>Enhancement of Survival Permit Application: Option II.</u> Renewal or Amendment of an Existing Valid Enhancement of Survival Permit (*With Changes*)

Up-to-date annual reports and any other required reports under your valid permit(s) must be on file before a permit will be considered for renewal or amendment.

Sign the following statement if you are proposing to renew or amend an existing valid Enhancement of Survival permit with changes, including making major changes. Such major changes may include changes in location, activity, amount or type of take, or species to be covered by the permit.

The individual signing box D. on page 1 of the application must also sign (in blue ink) the following statement. This certification language is required under 50 CFR 13.22(a).

I certify that the statements and information submitted in support of my original application for a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Enhancement of Survival permit #_____are still current and correct, except for the changes listed in Option I. above, and hereby request (please check either G renewal or G amendment) of that permit.

signature (in blue ink)

date

please print name legibly

Provide a brief description of the changes to your valid permit (answer the appropriate questions for these changes requested under Enhancement of Survival Permit Application Option I. above). Please submit completed pages 1-7 of this application form (along with the changed information relative to Option I. above) to our Regional Office (see attached list) covering the location of your proposed activity.

<u>Enhancement of Survival Permit Application: Option III.</u> Renewal/Re-issue of an Existing Valid Enhancement of Survival Permit (*Without Changes*) Using My Current Application Package On File.

Up-to-date annual reports and any other required reports under your valid permit(s) must be on file before a permit will be considered for renewal or re-issue.

Sign the following statement if you are applying to renew or re-issue an existing valid Enhancement of Survival permit without changes. If you are proposing changes to your Enhancement of Survival permit, you <u>must</u> use Options I. and II. above.

The individual signing box D. on page 1 of the application must also sign (in blue ink) the following statement. This certification language is required under 50 CFR 13.22(a).

I certify that the statements and information submitted in support of my original application for a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Enhancement of Survival permit #_____are still current and correct and hereby request (please check either **G** renewal or **G** re-issuance) of that permit without changes.

signature (in blue ink)

date

please print name legibly

* Please note: If you have signed the above statement, then your renewal/re-issue request is complete. Please submit this page and completed pages 1 - 4 of this application to our Regional Office (see attached list) covering the location of your proposed activity. Requests for renewals/re-issuance must be complete and accepted by the Service no later than 30 days prior to permit expiration to ensure that your current permit remains in effect while we process your request.

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Enhancement of Survival Permit Application: Option IV. Permit Transfer or Succession of a Permit

Complete the following if you are applying for transfer of an existing valid Enhancement of Survival permit to you or obtaining rights of succession of an existing valid Enhancement of Survival permit. In addition, you and the current permit holder may also need to sign an Assumption Agreement. Please contact our Ecological Services Field Office nearest your activity to determine whether you and the current permit holder need to execute an Assumption Agreement. The contact information for our Ecological Services Field Offices can be found on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's office directory web page at http://www.fws.gov/offices/

Please indicate the name of the Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances to be transferred or succeeded, and the document's date.

Name of Safe Harbor Agreement _____

Date _____

Name of Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances

Date _____

An Assumption Agreement

is is not (USFWS Ecological Services Field Office to circle one)

required as part of the transfer or succession permit application for the Safe Harbor Agreement or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances.

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Enhancement of Survival Permit Application

Certification Notice

The same person who signs in box D. on page 1 of the application must sign (in blue ink) the following certification.

By submitting this application and receiving an Enhancement of Survival permit pursuant to Section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act, I

(print name (s)) attest that I/we own the lands indicated in this application, or have sufficient authority or rights over these lands to implement the measures of the Safe Harbor Agreement and/or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances covered by the Enhancement of Survival permit. Further, upon receipt of the Enhancement of Survival permit, I/we agree to conduct the activities as specified in the Safe Harbor Agreement and/or Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances according to the terms and conditions of the Enhancement of Survival permit and its supporting documents.

signature (in blue ink)

date

please print name legibly

signature (in blue ink)

date

please print name legibly

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USFWS Regional Contacts for Native Endangered and Threatened Species Permits

Pacific Region (Region 1): HI, ID, OR, WA, American Samoa, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, and the Pacific Trust Territories

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office 911 NE 11th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97232-4181 Web: <u>http://www.fws.gov/pacific/ecoservices/endangered/index.html</u> Phone: (503) 231-6131 email: <u>permitsR1ES@fws.gov</u> Fax: (503) 231-6243

Southwest Region (Region 2): AZ, NM, OK, and TX

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office
500 Gold Avenue S.W. (street address)
P.O. Box 1306 (mailing address)
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103-1306
Web: <u>http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/EndangeredSpecies_Main.html</u>
Phone: (505) 248-6649 email: <u>permitsR2ES@fws.gov</u>
Fax: (505) 248-6788

Midwest Region (Region 3): IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, MO, OH, and WI

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office 5600 American Blvd. West, Suite 990 Bloomington, MN 55437-1458 Web: <u>http://www.fws.gov/midwest/Endangered/</u> Phone: (612) 713-5343 email: <u>permitsR3ES@fws.gov</u> Fax: (612) 713-5292

Southeast Region (Region 4): AL, AR, FL, GA, KY, LA, MS, NC, PR, SC, TN, and U.S. Virgin Islands U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office Ecological Services 1875 Century Blvd. Atlanta, Georgia 30345 Web: <u>http://www.fws.gov/southeast/es/</u> Phone: (404) 679-7097 (10(a)(1)(A) permit coordinator) or (404) 679-7140 (R4 Endangered Species main office) email: <u>permitsR4ES@fws.gov</u> Fax: (404) 679-7081

Northeast Region (Region 5): CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VA, VT, and WV

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office 300 Westgate Center Drive Hadley, MA 01035-9589 Web: <u>http://www.fws.gov/northeast/EcologicalServices/endangeredspecies.html</u> Phone: (413) 253-8628 email: <u>permitsR5ES@fws.gov</u> Fax: (413) 253-8482

Mountain-Prairie Region (Region 6): CO, KS, MT, NE, ND, SD, UT, and WY

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office Denver Federal Center P.O. Box 25486 Denver, Colorado 80225-0489 Web:http://www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/endspp/Phone:(303) 236-4256email:permitsR6ES@fws.govFax:(303) 236-0027

Alaska Region (Region 7): AK

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office 1011 E. Tudor Road Anchorage, Alaska 99503-6199 Web: <u>http://alaska.fws.gov/fisheries/endangered/index.htm</u> Phone: (907) 786-3323 email: <u>permitsR7ES@fws.gov</u> Fax: (907) 786-3350

Pacific Southwest Region (Region 8): CA, NV and Klamath Basin

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Endangered Species Permit Office 2177 Salk Avenue, Suite 250 Carlsbad, California 92008 Web: <u>http://www.fws.gov/cno/es/</u> Phone: (760) 431-9440 email: <u>permitsR8ES@fws.gov</u>

APPLICATION FORM INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions pertain to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) permit applications. The General Permit Procedures in 50 CFR 13 address the permitting process. For simplicity, all licenses, permits, registrations, and certificates are referred to as a permit.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

- Complete all relevant questions in Sections A or B, C, D, and E.
- An incomplete application may cause delays in processing or may be returned to the applicant. Be sure you are filling in the appropriate application form for the proposed activity.
- Print clearly or type in the information. Illegible applications may cause delays.
- Sign the application in <u>blue</u> ink. Faxes or copies of the original signature will not be accepted.
- Mail the original application to the address at the top of page one of the application or, if applicable, on the attached address list.
- Keep a copy of your completed application.
- Please plan ahead. Allow at least 60 days for your application to be processed; however, some applications may take longer than 90 days to process (50 CFR 13.11).
- Applications are processed in the order in which they are received.

SECTION A OR SECTION B:

Section A. Complete if applying as an individual [do not complete this section if applying for Import/Export License (3-200-3)]:

- Enter the complete name of the responsible individual who will be the permittee if a permit is issued. Enter personal information that identifies the applicant. **Fax and e-mail, while helpful in processing, are not required.**
- If you are applying on behalf of a client, the personal information must pertain to the client, and a document evidencing power of attorney must be included with the application.
- Affiliation/Doing business as (dba): business, agency, organizational, tribe, or institutional affiliation directly related to the activity requested in the application (e.g., a taxidermist is an individual whose business can directly relate to the requested activity). The Division of Management Authority (DMA) and the Office of Law Enforcement (OLE) do not accept doing business as affiliations for individuals (complete Section B).

Section B. Complete if applying as a business, corporation, public agency, tribe, or institution:

- Enter the complete name of the business, agency, tribe, or institution that will be the permittee if a permit is issued. Give a brief description of the type of business the applicant is engaged in. Provide contact phone number(s) of the business. If you are applying on behalf of a client, a document evidencing power of attorney must be included with the application.
- **Principal Officer** is the person in charge of the listed business, corporation, public agency, tribe, or institution. The principal officer is the person responsible for the application and any permitted activities. Often the principal officer is a Director or President. **Primary Contact** is the person at the business, corporation, public agency, tribe, or institution who will be available to answer questions about the application or permitted activities. Often this is the preparer of the application.

ALL APPLICANTS COMPLETE SECTION C:

- For all applications submitted to the DMA and OLE, a physical U.S. address is required. Province and Country blocks are provided for those USFWS programs that use foreign addresses and are not required by DMA.
- Mailing address is the address to which communications from USFWS should be mailed if different from the applicant's physical address.

ALL APPLICANTS COMPLETE SECTION D:

Section D.1 **Application processing fee:**

- An application processing fee is required at the time of application, unless exempted under 50 CFR13. The application processing fee is assessed to partially cover the cost of processing a request. The fee does not guarantee the issuance of a permit, nor will fees be refunded for applications for which processing has begun.
- **Documentation of fee exempt status is not required for applications submitted Federal, tribal, State, or local government agencies, but must be supplied by those applicants acting on behalf of such agencies**. Such applications must include a letter on agency letterhead and signed by the head of the unit of government for which the applicant is acting on behalf, confirming that the applicant will be carrying out the permitted activity for the agency.

Section D.2 Federal Fish and Wildlife permits:

• List the number(s) of your most recently issued USFWS permit. If applying for re-issuance of a Conference on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) permit, the original permit must be returned with this application.

Section D.3 CERTIFICATION:

• The individual identified in Section A, the principal officer named in Section B, or person with a valid power of attorney (documentation must be included in the application) must sign and date the application in blue ink. This signature legally binds the applicant to the statement of certification. You are certifying that you have read and understand the regulations that apply to the permit. You are also certifying that all information included in the application is true to the best of your knowledge. Be sure to read the statement and re-read the application and your answers before signing.

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APPLICATION FOR A FEDERAL FISH AND WILDLIFE PERMIT Paperwork Reduction Act, Privacy Act, and Freedom of Information Act – Notices

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.) and the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), please be advised:

1. The gathering of information on fish and wildlife is authorized by:

(Authorizing statutes can be found at: <u>http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/text-idx?tpl=%2Findex.tpl</u> and <u>http://www.fws.gov/permits/ltr/ltr.html</u>.)

- a. Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668), 50 CFR 22;
- b. Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1544), 50CFR 17;
- c. Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703-712), 50 CFR 21;
- d. Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1361, et. seq.), 50 CFR 18;
- e. Wild Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4901-4916), 50 CFR 15;
- f. Lacey Act: Injurious Wildlife (18 U.S.C. 42), 50 CFR 16;
- g. Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (TIAS 8249), http://www.cites.org/, 50 CFR 23;
- h. General Provisions, 50 CFR 10;
- i. General Permit Procedures, 50 CFR 13; and
- j. Wildlife Provisions (Import/export/transport), 50 CFR 14.
- 2. Information requested in this form is purely voluntary. However, submission of requested information is required in order to process applications for permits authorized under the above laws. Failure to provide all requested information may be sufficient cause for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to deny the request. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.
- 3. Certain applications for permits authorized under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1539) and the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1374) will be published in the **Federal Register** as required by the two laws.
- 4. Disclosures outside the Department of the Interior may be made without the consent of an individual under the routine uses listed below, if the disclosure is compatible with the purposes for which the record was collected. (Ref. 68 FR 52611, September 4, 2003)
 - a. Routine disclosure to subject matter experts, and Federal, tribal, State, local, and foreign agencies, for the purpose of obtaining advice relevant to making a decision on an application for a permit or when necessary to accomplish a USFWS function related to this system of records.
 - b. Routine disclosure to the public as a result of publishing **Federal Register** notices announcing the receipt of permit applications for public comment or notice of the decision on a permit application.
 - c. Routine disclosure to Federal, tribal, State, local, or foreign wildlife and plant agencies for the exchange of information on permits granted or denied to assure compliance with all applicable permitting requirements.
 - d. Routine disclosure to Captive-bred Wildlife registrants under the Endangered Species Act for the exchange of authorized species, and to share information on the captive breeding of these species.
 - e. Routine disclosure to Federal, tribal, State, and local authorities who need to know who is permitted to receive and rehabilitate sick, orphaned, and injured birds under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act; federally permitted rehabilitators; individuals seeking a permitted rehabilitator with whom to place a bird in need of care; and licensed veterinarians who receive, treat, or diagnose sick, orphaned, and injured birds.
 - f. Routine disclosure to the Department of Justice, or a court, adjudicative, or other administrative body or to a party in litigation before a court or adjudicative or administrative body, under certain circumstances.
 - g. Routine disclosure to the appropriate Federal, tribal, State, local, or foreign governmental agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing statutes, rules, or licenses, when we become aware of a violation or potential violation of such statutes, rules, or licenses, or when we need to monitor activities associated with a permit or regulated use.
 - h. Routine disclosure to a congressional office in response to an inquiry to the office by the individual to whom the record pertains.
 - i. Routine disclosure to the Government Accountability Office or Congress when the information is required for the evaluation of the permit programs.
 - j. Routine disclosure to provide addresses obtained from the Internal Revenue Service to debt collection agencies for purposes of locating a debtor to collect or compromise a Federal claim against the debtor or to consumer reporting agencies to prepare a commercial credit report for use by the USFWS.
- 5. For individuals, personal information such as home address and telephone number, financial data, and personal identifiers (social security number, birth date, etc.) will be removed prior to any release of the application.
- 6. The public reporting burden on the applicant for information collection varies depending on the activity for which a permit is requested. The relevant burden for an **Enhancement of Survival** permit application is **3 hours**. This burden estimate includes time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data and completing and reviewing the form. You may direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the form to the Service Information Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mail Stop 2042-PDM, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington D.C. 20240.

Freedom of Information Act – Notice

For organizations, businesses, or individuals operating as a business (i.e., permittees not covered by the Privacy Act), we request that you identify any information that should be considered privileged and confidential business information to allow the Service to meet its responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Confidential business information must be clearly marked "Business Confidential" at the top of the letter or page and each succeeding page and must be accompanied by a non-confidential summary of the confidential information. The non-confidential summary and remaining documents may be made available to the public under FOIA [43 CFR 2.23 and 43 CFR 2.24].