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<h2 class="western">Submitter Information</h2>
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<h2 class="western">General Comment</h2>
<p>I am a professor and master bird bander (have held this type of
permit from the BBL since 2013) and I also hold collecting permits to
capture birds from the USFWS as well as relevant state agencies,
because some of my activities are not covered by my BBL permit.
Nearly all of the proposed changes seem commonsense. <br/>
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I do
have a comment about the proposed change to "Other types of
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biological sampling" (apart from blood sampling and feather sampling). I have concerns about what the limits to 'other types of biological sampling' entails; this seems open ended in ways that could be problematic or confusing. What types of samples does this entail? Fecal samples, biopsies, photographs, x-rays, sound recordings, and experimental manipulations (of birds to be released shortly after capture)? Because a BBL permit can be used in lieu of a USFWS collecting permit, I think it is important for the BBL to be clear on where the limit of its authority lies, and where a USFWS permit is required instead. I say this because multiple times I have had interactions with BBL staff that have revealed that the BBL staff are unclear on how USFWS permits actually work. Specifically, BBL staff told me they told me I needed a USFWS collecting permit to perform a specific experiment on captive animals, when in reality my USFWS permit allows me to capture X individuals of species Y and hold them captive at university Z for AA months, and does not dive down to the granular level of requiring or granting permission for individual experiments.

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