

Army Corps of Engineers for a permit to reconstruct a private pier.

Applicable provisions of the CZMA require that a notice be published in the **Federal Register**, indicating the date on which the decision record closed.

Accordingly, notice is hereby provided that the decision record for this appeal closed on January 23, 2006.

For additional information about this appeal contact Brett Grosko, 301-713-7384.

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog No. 11.419 Coastal Zone Management Program Assistance.)

Dated: January 24, 2006.

**James R. Walpole,**

*General Counsel.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011906A]

#### Endangered Species; Permit Nos. 1209, 1261, and 1351

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of permit modifications.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the following scientific research permits have been modified: Cypress Gardens (Dwight Williams, Principal Investigator), 3030 Cypress Gardens Road, Moncks Corner, SC 29461 (Permit No. 1209); U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Warm Springs Regional Fisheries Center (Vincent Mudrak, Principal Investigator), 5308 Spring Street, Warm Springs, GA 31830 (Permit No. 1261); Dr. Frank Chapman (Principal Investigator), Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, University of Florida, 7922 NW 71<sup>st</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL 32653 (Permit No. 1351).

**ADDRESSES:** The modifications and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s): Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289, fax (301)427-2521; and Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727)824-5312; fax (727)824-5309.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shane Guan and Jennifer Skidmore (301)713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The requested modifications have been granted under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the provisions of § 222.306 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222-226).

*File No. 1209:* Cypress Gardens is authorized to maintain no more than eight (8) juvenile shortnose sturgeon in captivity for education purposes within its facility. This modification will extend the permit through January 31, 2007.

*File No. 1261:* The Warm Springs Regional Fisheries Center of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is authorized to maintain captive bred shortnose sturgeon for scientific research at the Warm Springs, Bears Bluff and Orangeburg Hatcheries. Research Activities include feeding studies, propagation studies and evaluation studies as identified in the recovery plan for shortnose sturgeon. This modification will extend the permit through January 31, 2007.

*File No. 1351:* Dr. Frank Chapman of the Department of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences, University of Florida, is authorized to conduct laboratory investigations and experimental culture to identify the physical, chemical, and biological parameters necessary for optimal survival and growth of shortnose sturgeon. The research is believe to complement the knowledge base of sturgeon species and assist the National Fish Hatcheries to optimally maintain and reproduce shortnose sturgeon stocks. This modification will extend the permit through January 31, 2007.

Issuance of these modifications, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permits: (1) Were applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of any endangered or threatened species; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

**Carrie W. Hubard,**

*Acting Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary of Defense

#### Public Meeting of the Defense Advisory Committee on Military Compensation

**AGENCY:** DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On December 29, 2005, the Department of Defense published a notice of meeting (70 FR 77150) scheduled for January 24, 2006, 10 a.m. Due to last minute cancellations of committee members, attendance would be insufficient to conduct public deliberations, therefore the meeting is canceled. This announces the cancellation. This meeting will be rescheduled and announced at a later date.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LTC Janet Fenton, Designated Federal Official, Defense Advisory Committee on Military Compensation, 2521 S. Clark Street, Arlington, VA 22202. Telephone: 703-699-2718.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

**L.M. Bynum,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Defense Science Board

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board Task Force on VTOL/STOL will meet in closed session on January 30 and 31, 2006; at Strategic Analysis Inc., 3601 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA. This meeting will be an Executive Session for Task Force management as well as classified and FOUO briefings on current technologies and programs.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Defense Science Board Task Force will: Assess the features and capabilities VTOL/STOL aircraft should have in order to support the nation's defense needs through at least the first half of the 21st century.