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Silver Spring, MD 20910

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Dear Dr. Hanson:

The National Marine Fisheries Service has issued Permit No. 781-1824-02 to the Northwest Fisheries Science Center for research activities on marine mammals. This amends and replaces Permit No. 781-1824-01 by increasing suction cup tagging takes to 20 and authorizing dart tagging of up to six Southern Resident killer whales. The changes to permit are reflected in bold font. Please take careful note of the additional tagging condition B(1)(g). This permit is effective upon your signature and valid through the expiration date indicated in Condition A.1.

Please note that as the Responsible Party you are ultimately responsible for the activities of individuals operating under the authority of this permit. Please attach this letter to Permit No. 781-1824-02 and ensure all CIs receive a copy of the letter and permit.

Here's what you need to do to use your permit:

1. Read the permit, including attachments. If you have questions, call your permit analyst – Laura Morse or Amy Sloan – at 301-427-8401 before signing the permit.
2. Sign and date the original signature page and the signature page marked “file copy.”
3. Keep the original signature page with your permit. You need both as proof of your authorization to conduct the research activities.
4. Send the “file copy” signature page to our office as proof of your acceptance of the permit.

Please return the signature page marked “file copy” to the Permits Division (F/PR1), 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. You may submit the “file copy” of the signature page by emailing a PDF to Laura Morse (Laura.Morse@noaa.gov) or by facsimile to (301) 713-0376 and confirm it by mail.

Sincerely,

P. Michael Payne  
Chief, Permits, Conservation  
and Education Division  
Office of Protected Resources  
(phone: 301-427-8401)

Enclosure



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Permit No. 781-1824-02  
Expiration Date: April 14, 2012

PERMIT TO TAKE MARINE MAMMALS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH  
Amendment No. 2

I. Authorization

The National Marine Fisheries Service, Northwest Fisheries Science Center [Responsible Party, Dr. M. Bradley Hanson], 2725 Montlake Blvd. East, Seattle, Washington 98112-2097 is hereby authorized to take marine mammals in the manner specified below for the purpose of scientific research, subject to the provisions of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226), and the Terms and Conditions hereinafter set forth. **The amended portions of this permit appear in bold font.**

II. Abstract

The purpose of the research, as stated in the application, is to determine the abundance, distribution, movement patterns, habitat use, contaminant levels, prey, behavior, energetics, and stock structure of marine mammals in U.S. territorial and international waters, focusing on the Pacific NW region. These studies are conducted through vessel surveys, photo-identification (from large vessels and small boats), biological sample collection, acoustic monitoring, tagging and tracking of individual animals. Marine mammal abundance data will be used to monitor trends in abundance through time. Genetic and other analyses of the biological samples collected will be used to determine stock structure for the appropriate management of these species. Tagging and tracking activities will help address outstanding needs for data on distribution, movements and dive times to improve stock assessments. Research activities also include the salvage and import/export of marine mammal parts, specimens and biological samples.

III. Terms and Conditions

The activities authorized herein must occur by the means, in the areas, and for the purposes set forth in the permit application, and as limited by the Terms and Conditions specified in the permit.

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A. Number and Kind(s) of Marine Mammals and Location(s)

- The following tables outline the number of animals, by species, authorized to be taken and the activities authorized to be performed on each animal. The Researchers [Permit Holder/Principal Investigator (PI), and/or Co-Investigator(s) (CI(s))] may conduct research activities in coastal waters, U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ), and high seas off central California to southeast Alaska, inland waters and estuaries of these states.

Table 1. Annual takes of ESA-listed cetacean species in the eastern North Pacific

Species / Population	Aerial/vessel surveys, photo-ID, photo-/video-grammetry, focal follows, passive acoustic recording	Biopsy	Breath sample	Ultrasound	Implantable tags	Suction cup tags	Incidental harassment for research activities	Worldwide import/export of parts/samples
Blue whale <i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>	40	10	--	--	15	--	20	5
Fin whale <i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	25	10	--	--	10	--	10	5
Humpback whale, <i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	140	25	10	0 <sup>1</sup> , 5 <sup>2</sup>	20	--	200	5
Sperm whale, <i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>	80	20	--	--	10	--	100	10
<b>Killer whale (Southern Resident), <i>Orcinus orca</i></b>	215	25	5	--	<b>6<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>20<sup>4</sup></b>	300	30

<sup>1</sup> Ultrasound to be conducted in the first year.

<sup>2</sup> Ultrasound to be conducted beginning year 2.

<sup>3</sup> **Only post-reproductive females (>40years old) and adult males (15 years or older) will be tagged**

<sup>4</sup> **Activities may occur year-round.**

Table 2. Annual takes of non-ESA-listed cetacean species in the eastern North Pacific

Species / Population	Aerial/vessel surveys, photo-ID, photo-/video-grammetry, focal follows, passive acoustic recording	Biopsy	Breath sample	Ultrasound	Implantable tags	Suction cup tags	Incidental harassment for research activities	Worldwide import/export of parts/samples
Minke whale <i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>	40	10	--	--	10	--	50	10
Gray whale <i>Eschrichtius robustus</i>	40	5	5	0 <sup>1</sup> , 5 <sup>2</sup>	15	--	50	20
Pygmy sperm whale, <i>Kogia breviceps</i>	25	10	--	--	--	--	20	5
Baird's beaked whale, <i>Berardius bairdii</i>	25	5	--	--	5	5	20	5
Cuvier's beaked whale, <i>Ziphius cavirostris</i>	30	10	--	--	--	--	100	10
Mesoplodont beaked whales, <i>Mesoplodon</i> spp.	40	10	--	--	--	--	50	10
Short-finned pilot whale, <i>Globicephala macrorhynchus</i>	25	10	5	--	20	--	20	5
Risso's dolphin, <i>Grampus griseus</i>	25	10	--	--	--	--	20	5
Killer whale (Offshore), <i>Orcinus orca</i>	85	25	5	--	12	--	50	10
Killer whale (Transient), <i>Orcinus orca</i>	175	50	10	--	30	--	100	10

Species / Population	Aerial/vessel surveys, photo-ID, photo-/video-grammetry, focal follows, passive acoustic recording	Biopsy	Breath sample	Ultrasound	Implant-able tags	Suction cup tags	Incidental harassment for research activities	Worldwide import/export of parts/samples
Killer whale (AK Resident), <i>Orcinus orca</i>	70	10	20	10 <sup>1</sup> , 25 <sup>2</sup>	15	--	50	10
Short-beaked common dolphin, <i>Delphinus delphis</i>	20	10	--	--	--	--	20	5
Pacific white-sided dolphin, <i>Lagenorhynchus obliquidens</i>	105	50	5	--	--	5	300	10
Striped dolphin, <i>Stenella coeruleoalba</i>	120	20	--	--	--	--	500	10
Northern right whale dolphin, <i>Lissodelphis borealis</i>	105	50	5	--	--	5	300	10
Harbor porpoise, <i>Phocoena phocoena</i>	170	50	--	--	--	12	100	10
Dall's porpoise, <i>Phocoenoides dalli</i>	250	50	10	--	--	12	100	10

<sup>1</sup> Ultrasound to be conducted in the first year.

<sup>2</sup> Ultrasound to be conducted beginning year 2.

2. For large cetaceans (> 5 m), no calves of 6 months of age or younger or mothers accompanying such calves may be taken for biopsy sampling and tagging. For small cetaceans, no calves of 1 year of age or younger or mothers accompanying such calves may be taken for biopsy sampling and tagging.

B. Research Conditions

1. General:

- a. The following individuals may participate in the conduct of the research authorized herein as Co-investigators: Michael Ford, PhD., **Candice Emmons** and Dawn P. Noren, PhD.
- b. If one animal is killed or seriously injured as a result of the authorized activities, research must be suspended and the protocol reviewed and, if necessary, revised to the satisfaction of NMFS in consultation with the Marine Mammal Commission. The Permit Holder must notify the Office of Protected Resources, Permits Conservation and Education Division by phone (**301-427-8401**) within two days of the event and submit in writing within 2 weeks, a report that includes a complete description of the events surrounding the incident and identification of steps that will be taken to reduce the potential for additional accidents. The Permit Holder must send this report to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Research may recommence upon review of that information and authorization by the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division [§216.34(b)].
- c. If a sea otter is injured or killed during research activities, research must also be suspended. For any injury or death of a sea otter, in addition to the requirements in Condition B.1.b. above, a report must also be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Division of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Dr., Room 700, Arlington, VA 22203 (1-800-358-2104) and the USFWS Western Washington Fish and Wildlife Office, 510 Desmond Dr. Suite 102, Lacey, WA 98503 (360-753-9440).
- d. For activities occurring in near-shore kelp beds between mid-July and December 31, if marbled murrelets are present, reduce boat speed to 10 miles-per-hour, maintain a consistent heading, and make only one pass through per day.
- e. This permit does not authorize takes of any protected species not identified in Table 1 of Part A, including those species under the jurisdiction of the USFWS. Should other protected species be encountered during the research activities authorized under this permit, researchers should exercise caution and remain a safe distance from the animal(s) to avoid take, including harassment.

- f. This permit specifically does not authorize the conduct of research activities in cooperation with commercial marine mammal viewing organizations using any vessel or aircraft while it is engaged in such commercial activity. Further, this permit does not authorize the cooperation with any vessel or aircraft carrying any nonessential passengers (i.e., not essential for the conduct of the research) who either pay a fee in return for being allowed onboard the vessel or aircraft, or who, prior to or after the trip, give “donations” to the Holder(s), Principal Investigator(s), Co-Investigator(s), or Research Assistant(s).
  
- g. **The Permit Holder must cease dart tagging of Southern Resident Killer Whales (SRKW) in the event dart breakage occurs (i.e. dart barbs are separated from the tag sensor package and remain implanted) and notify the Chief, Permits Division by phone (301-427-8401) within two days of the event; and, submit an incident report that includes a complete description of the events surrounding the incident and identification of steps that will be taken to reduce the potential for additional breakage occurrence. Dart tagging SRKW’s may recommence upon review of that information and authorization by the Chief, Permits Division.**

2. Specific:

- a. Where females with calves are authorized to be taken, researcher(s):
  - 1) Must immediately terminate efforts if there is any evidence that the activity may be interfering with pair-bonding or nursing; and
  - 2) Must not position the research vessel between the mother and calf.
  
- b. To minimize disturbance of the subject animals the Permit Holder must exercise caution when approaching animals and must retreat from animals if behaviors indicate the approach may be interfering with reproduction, feeding, or other vital functions.

c. For research in the inland waters of Washington state:

At all times when vessels engaging in research activities are in the inland waters of Washington, such vessels shall fly a clearly visible triangular pennant. The pennant shall be yellow in color with minimum dimensions of 18"H x 26"L and with the permit number displayed in 6" high black numerals.

- d. This permit does not authorize research activities off the Northwest Olympic Peninsula, particularly Cape Flattery and Neah Bay areas. This includes the waters located south of the U.S./Canada border, west of 124° W and north of 48° N. To conduct research in this area, the permit holder is required to obtain authorization from the native Makah Nations.
- e. Biological samples: All specimen materials collected or obtained under this authority shall be maintained according to accepted curatorial standards. After completion of initial research goals, any remaining samples shall be deposited into a *bona fide* scientific collection which meets the minimum standards of collection curation and data cataloging as established by the scientific community. Attached is section 216.37 of the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals that contains additional conditions applicable to maintaining marine mammal parts. These regulations are made a part hereof.
- f. **Sampling Activities: Biopsy and Tagging**
  - 1) **All biopsy tips must be disinfected between and prior to each use.**
  - 2) **A tag attachment attempt must be discontinued if an animal exhibits repetitive strong adverse reactions to the activity or the vessel.**
  - 3) **In no instance will the Permit Holder attempt to biopsy or tag a cetacean anywhere forward of/anterior to the pectoral fin.**
- 3. Import/Export: No animal shall be harassed or killed for the express purpose of providing specimens to be obtained and/or imported under this permit. Marine mammal parts imported under the authority of this permit must be taken in a humane manner, and in compliance with the Acts and any applicable foreign law. Importation of marine mammal parts is subject to the provisions of 50 CFR parts 14 and 216. Attached is section 216.37 of the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals that contains additional conditions applicable to maintaining marine mammal parts. These regulations are made a part hereof.
  - a. Any specimens of species listed in the Appendices to CITES must be accompanied by valid CITES documentation from the exporting country, and, in the case of Appendix-I species, from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.



- b. All specimens imported into the United States shall be accompanied by documentation giving a description of each animal from which specimen materials were taken including, if possible, identification, age, size, sex, reproductive condition; date and location of acquisition; and circumstances causing the death.
- c. The Holder must maintain a record of all specimens salvaged and/or imported under this permit. This record should include: the species and type(s) of specimens, circumstances surrounding the specimen acquisition (e.g., stranding, incidental take from commercial fishery, etc.), date(s) acquired, the date shipped, the location(s) of collection and who collected the sample(s), and authorizing government agency.
- d. All specimen materials obtained under this authority shall be maintained according to accepted curatorial standards.
- e. The Holder shall not import specimens into the United States from marine mammals:
  - 1) Taken in any high seas driftnet fishery after December 31, 1992;
  - 2) Deliberately killed for the express purposes of fulfilling this permit;
  - 3) Taken illegally in the country of origin or taken in a directed fishery, except where such taking is legal; or
  - 4) Taken during any commercial whaling operation or any scientific whaling operation which does not meet the criteria established by the International Whaling Commission at the time of taking.
- f. Designated Ports of Entry: The following Customs ports of entry are designated for the importation or exportation of wildlife and are referred to hereafter as “designated ports” (50 CFR 14.12). Please notify the USFWS wildlife inspectors ([http://www.fws.gov/le/ImpExp/Contact\\_Info\\_Ports.htm](http://www.fws.gov/le/ImpExp/Contact_Info_Ports.htm)) at these ports at least 48 hours prior to import or export.

<b>Designated Ports of Entry</b>			
1)	Anchorage, AK	10)	Louisville, KY
2)	Atlanta, GA	11)	Memphis, TN
3)	Baltimore, MD	12)	Miami, FL

4) Boston, MA	13) New Orleans, LA
5) Chicago, IL	14) New York, NY
6) Dallas/Fort Worth, TX,	15) Newark, NJ
7) Honolulu, HI	16) Portland, OR
8) Houston, TX	17) San Francisco, CA
9) Los Angeles, CA	18) Seattle, WA

To use a port of entry other than the designated ports listed above, the Holder/PI must obtain a Designated Port Exception Permit from the USFWS as required in 50 CFR 14.31 and 14.32. Additional information may be obtained from the USFWS website <http://permits.fws.gov>.

4. Expiration Date: Researchers may conduct activities authorized by this permit through **April 14, 2012**.
5. The terms and conditions of the permit shall remain in effect as long as the marine mammal specimens taken and/or imported hereunder are maintained under the authority and responsibility of the Permit Holder.

C. Notification and Coordination Conditions

1. Notification: For NMFS to coordinate activities authorized herein with other research that may be occurring in the same area, the Permit Holder must notify the appropriate Regional Administrator(s) at least two weeks prior to initiation of the research. This notification must include specific dates, locations, and participants (*i.e.*, all CIs and research assistants) involved in the study.

Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0700; phone (206)526-6150; fax (206)526-6426; e-mail: Brent.Norberg@noaa.gov or Lynne.Barre@noaa.gov;

Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668; phone (907)586-7235; fax (907)586-7012; and

Assistant Regional Administrator for Protected Resources, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4020; fax (562)980-4027.

2. NMFS observers: NMFS Regional Offices are responsible for coordinating research activities within their jurisdictions and reserve the right to place observer(s) on research vessels and/or aircraft to monitor the effects of authorized activities on the animals. If NMFS chooses to place an observer on a vessel or aircraft it will provide the Permit Holder with sufficient notice to ensure that adequate accommodations will be provided to the observer(s).
3. Coordination: In order to avoid unnecessary duplicative research and unnecessary disturbance of animals, the Permit Holder must coordinate research authorized herein with other researchers conducting the same or similar studies on the same species, in the same locations and at the same time (Attachment 3).

D. Reporting Conditions

1. Reauthorization: The reauthorization of Southern Resident killer whale (SRKW) takes authorized in this permit is contingent upon receipt and approval of a report containing data on the number of SRKW that were approached and taken during the previous year. This report must be submitted by January 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. Upon receipt of this report, you will receive a reauthorization letter allowing you to resume SRKW research. Reauthorization of SRKW takes may be denied or delayed if the report has not been received or approved.
2. Annual Reports: Each year the permit is valid, the Permit Holder must submit an annual report by January 31<sup>st</sup>, for the reporting period of January 1 to December 31, describing the specific activities that have been conducted. The annual report must be both tabular and narrative in nature.
  - a. The annual report must include, in tabular form:
    - 1) Species, age, sex;
    - 2) Activities;
    - 3) Number of animals taken by each activity;
    - 4) Number of times each activity was performed on each animal;
    - 5) Number of SRKW approached to within 100 yards; and
    - 6) Location(s).

- b. The annual report must also include, in narrative form:
  - 1) How the results of this reporting period demonstrate the accomplishments of your research goal and, if applicable, how such goals pertain to the species conservation plan;
  - 2) Based on your response to the above question, whether the permit, as currently structured, allows for the further accomplishment of your research goals;<sup>1</sup>
  - 3) A description of when or if any results have been published or otherwise made public during the reporting period;
  - 4) A description of the animals' reactions to the activities and steps taken, if necessary, to minimize disturbance.
  - 5) A description of the activities planned for the forthcoming year, and steps that have been and will be taken to coordinate the research activities with the NMFS Assistant Regional Administrator(s) and other researchers.
3. Final Reports: The Researchers must submit a final report within 180 days after completion of the research (**October 11, 2012**). The report must include:
  - a. A reiteration of the objectives and a summary of the results of the research and how they pertain to or further the research goals stated in the permit application and NMFS conservation plans; and
  - b. An indication of where and when the research results will be published.
4. The Researchers must submit to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Suite 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910, all reports and any papers or publications resulting from the research authorized herein.

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<sup>1</sup>Be advised that any major permit amendment requires at least 90-days to process, including a mandatory 30-day public comment period. For MMPA/ESA permits, re-initiation of consultation could add at least 135 days to that time.

E. Photography and Filming Conditions

1. The Permit Holder and all researchers working under this permit must obtain prior approval by the NMFS Permits, Conservation and Education Division for the following:
  - a. Commercial use of photographs, video and/or film that were taken to achieve the research objectives; and
  - b. All activities not essential to achieving the research objectives (*e.g.* still photography, videotaping, motion picture film making). Such activities must not influence the conduct of research in any way.
2. The Permit Holder and researchers are hereby notified that failure to obtain NMFS approval prior to conducting or facilitating such activities will be considered a violation of the permit. The Permit Holder and researchers must agree, upon request by NMFS, to make space available on the vessel or aircraft for a NMFS observer during any trips where activities identified in E.1.b. may be conducted.
3. Any commercial/documentary film approved for use must include a credit, acknowledgment, or caption indicating that the research was conducted under a permit issued by NMFS under the authority of the MMPA and/or the ESA.

F. General Conditions

1. The Permit Holder is ultimately responsible for all activities of any individual who is operating under the authority of the permit. The Principal Investigator (PI) shares this responsibility.
2. Co-investigators (CIs) are individuals identified by the Permit Holder or PI, and approved by NMFS, who are qualified to conduct research activities authorized by the permit without the on-site supervision of the Permit Holder or PI.
  - a. Restrictions: Only the Permit Holder, PI, or CI(s) may conduct the research activities authorized by this permit. The qualifications and experience of the CI(s) must be commensurate with his/her assigned responsibilities.
  - b. Co-investigators: The Principal Investigator may designate co-investigators, provided that a copy of the letter designating the individual to conduct the activities authorized herein, and a copy of the individual's

curriculum vitae is provided to the Permits, Conservation and Education Division by facsimile on the day of designation and confirmed by mail.


3. Research Assistants are individuals who work under the direct supervision of the PI or CI(s) and who are authorized to record data and serve as safety observers and boat tenders.
  - a. Restrictions: With the exception of professional and/or experienced photographers/videographers (see 3.b. below) or licensed and/or experienced boat operators, Research Assistants are not authorized to operate vessels. Paying interns are not authorized to operate vessels for research purposes under any circumstances. The qualifications and experience of the Research Assistant(s) must be commensurate with his/her assigned responsibilities.
  - b. Photographer/videographer: A professional and/or experienced videographer/photographer under the direct, on-site supervision of the Researchers [Permit Holder, PI, or CI(s)], may conduct research activities requiring underwater observations and/or photography. The permit Holder, PI, or CI(s) must be present at all times when research is being conducted.
4. Persons who require state or Federal licenses to conduct activities authorized under the permit must be duly licensed when undertaking such activities.
5. For research conducted in a National Marine Sanctuary, including overflights, the Permit Holder must consult with and, as appropriate, obtain the necessary permits from the National Marine Sanctuaries Office, National Ocean Service.
6. This permit does not relieve the permittee of the responsibility to obtain any other permits, or comply with any other Federal, State, or local laws or regulations. In addition, before taking marine mammals in the territorial waters of a foreign country, the Permit Holder/Researchers must secure consent from, and comply with, the appropriate laws of that country.
7. The PI and CI(s) cannot transfer or assign the permit to any other person. The PI may request authorization to add a person to this permit, but the PI cannot accept any direct or indirect compensation from the individual, in exchange for doing so.
8. The PI and CI(s) and all other researchers operating under the authority of this permit must possess a copy of **Permit No. 781-1824-02** when engaged in a permitted activity, and as applicable, when a marine mammal is in transit incidental to such activity, and whenever marine mammals or marine mammal

parts are in the possession of the Permit Holder, PI or CI(s). The Permit Holder, PI, or CI(s) must affix a copy of the permit to any container, package, enclosure, or other means of containment, in which the marine mammals or marine mammal parts are placed for purposes of transit, supervision, or care. Any storage facility repositing marine mammal parts must keep a copy of the permit on file.

9. Inspection: Upon request of NMFS enforcement agents or personnel designated by the Director, Office of Protected Resources, the Permit Holder, PI and/or CI(s) must make available for inspection: records; facilities; marine mammals; marine mammal parts; copies of photographs, motion picture films, and/or video tapes; and any other information related to any inspection of records associated with this permit.
10. Permit Amendments: The Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service may amend the provision of this permit in response to or independent of a request from the Permit Holder. Please allow at least 4 months to process major amendment requests, with additional time where endangered species are involved.
11. NMFS shall be the sole arbiter of whether a given activity is within the scope and bounds of the authorization granted in this permit. The Holder is on notice that if the Holder is unsure whether an activity is within the scope of the permit, the Holder should contact the NMFS Permits, Conservation and Education Division for verification before conducting the activity. Failure to verify, where NMFS subsequently determines that the activity was outside the scope of the permit, may be used as evidence of a violation of the permit, the MMPA, and the ESA in any enforcement actions.
12. Any falsification of information pertaining to the permitted activities, including information provided to NOAA personnel, will be considered a violation of the permit.
13. The Permit Holder/PI in signing this permit and reading and understanding the "Definitions" (Attachment 1), has accepted and will comply with the provisions of this permit, applicable Regulations (50 CFR parts 216-222), the ESA and the MMPA.

G. Penalties and Permit Sanctions

1. Any person who violates any provision of this permit is subject to civil and criminal penalties, permit sanctions, and forfeiture as authorized under the MMPA, ESA or 15 CFR part 904 [Civil Procedures].
2. All permits are subject to suspension, revocation, modification, and denial in accordance with the provisions of subpart D [Permit Sanctions and Denials] of 15 CFR part 904.

  
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James H. Lecky  
Director  
Office of Protected Resources  
National Marine Fisheries Service

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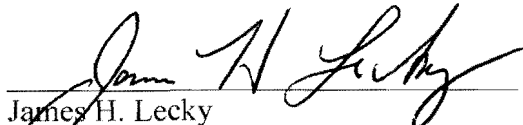
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## **Attachment 1: Definition of terms relevant to NMFS Scientific Research Permits**

**Acute behavioral response** - Repeated, prolonged or excessive instances of behavior, brought on by any act or omission of the researcher and manifested by, among other actions on the part of an animal, a rapid change in direction or speed; escape tactics such as prolonged diving, underwater course changes, underwater exhalation, or evasive swimming patterns; interruptions of breeding, nursing, or resting activities, attempts by a whale to shield a calf from a vessel or human observer by tail swishing or by other protective movement; movement away from researchers by pinnipeds, including a stampede; or the abandonment of a previously frequented area.

**Applicant/ Permit Holder** - Person, institution, or agency that is ultimately responsible for all activities of any individual who is operating under the authority of the permit. NOTE: there can be only one person/institution/agency designated as the Applicant/Permit Holder.

**Approach** – For the purposes of cetacean research: a continuous sequence of maneuvers (episode) involving a vessel, aircraft, or researcher's body in the water, including drifting, directed toward a cetacean or group of cetaceans for the purposes of conducting authorized research which involves one or more instances of coming closer than 100 yards to that cetacean or group of cetaceans.

**Attempt** - An effort made to accomplish some permitted activity (for example, a tag or biopsy dart deployment from a crossbow, air gun, or pole that may or may not result in a successful deployment).

**Biological Opinion** – Under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, all federal agencies are required, “in consultation with and with the assistance of the Secretary, to insure that any action authorized, funded, or carried out by such agency is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any threatened or endangered species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated critical habitat.” Thus, before the NMFS Permits Division can issue a permit to take threatened or endangered species, it must consult with the NMFS Endangered Species Division and obtain “a written statement setting forth the Secretary’s opinion and a summary of the information on which the opinion is based” that the issuance of the permit is not likely to jeopardize any protected species.”

**Bona fide scientific research** (as defined under the MMPA) - Scientific research on marine mammals conducted by qualified personnel, the results of which: 1) likely would be accepted for publication in a refereed scientific journal; 2) are likely to contribute to the basic knowledge of marine mammal biology or ecology; or 3) are likely to identify, evaluate or resolve conservation problems. Research that is not on marine mammals, but that may incidentally take marine mammals, is not included in this definition.

**Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)** – Regulations created by various federal agencies to support and explain federal statutes. The USFWS and NMFS have created wildlife and fisheries regulations to support and clarify sections of the MMPA and ESA (50 CFR 1 – 599).

**Co-investigator (CI)** - The on-site representative of a Principal Investigator (PI) who has qualifications comparable to the PI and who is authorized to conduct or directly supervise the conduct of the taking, import, and export activities authorized under a permit. There can be numerous CIs designated under a single permit. For example, there could be separate CIs in charge of distinct activities/projects under a permit, or responsible for distinct geographic areas under a permit.

**Distinct Population Segment (DPS)** - A Distinct Population Segment is a portion of a species or subspecies population or range. The DPS is generally described geographically instead of biologically, such as "all members of XYZ species that occur north of 40E north latitude."

**Harassment** (as defined in the MMPA) – Any act of pursuit, torment, or annoyance that 1) has the potential to injure a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild (Level A harassment); or 2) has the potential to disturb a marine mammal or marine mammal stock in the wild by causing a disruption of behavioral patterns, including, but not limited to, migration, breathing, nursing, breeding, feeding, or sheltering (Level B harassment).

Harassment includes the disruption of the normal behavior or prior activity of an animal by any act or omission. This disruption of normal behavior may be manifested by, among other actions on the part of the animal, interruptions of breeding, nursing, or resting activities; a rapid change in direction or speed; escape tactics such as prolonged diving, underwater course changes, underwater exhalation, or evasive swimming patterns; attempts by a cetacean to shield a calf from a vessel or human observer by tail swishing or by other protective movement; movement away from researchers by pinnipeds, including a stampede; or the abandonment of a previously frequented area.

**Hard parts** - Any bone, tooth, baleen, treated pelt, or other part of an animal that is relatively solid or durable.

**Humane** (as defined in the MMPA) - The method of taking, import, export, or other activity that involves the least possible degree of pain and suffering practicable to the animal involved.

**Intrusive research** (as defined under the MMPA) - A procedure conducted for bona fide scientific research involving: A break in or cutting of the skin or equivalent, insertion of an instrument or material into an orifice, introduction of a substance or object into the animal's immediate environment that is likely either to be ingested or to contact and directly affect animal tissue (*i.e.*, chemical substances), or a stimulus directed at animals that may involve a risk to health or welfare or that may have an impact on normal function or behavior (*i.e.*, audio broadcasts directed at animals that may affect behavior). For captive animals, this definition does not include: 1) A procedure conducted by the professional staff of the holding facility or an attending veterinarian for purposes of animal husbandry, care, maintenance, or treatment, or a routine medical procedure that, in the reasonable judgment of the attending veterinarian, would not constitute a risk to the health or welfare of the captive animal; or 2) A procedure involving either the introduction of a substance or object (*i.e.*, as described in this definition) or a stimulus directed at animals that, in the reasonable judgment of the attending veterinarian, would not involve a risk to the health or welfare of the captive animal.

**Marine Mammal Commission** – A three-member panel appointed by the President to oversee implementation of the MMPA, and provide scientific advice to the Secretaries of Commerce and the Interior. All permit applications for scientific research and enhancement of marine mammals must be reviewed by the Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors on Marine Mammals.

**Permit Holder** - Person, institution, or agency that is ultimately responsible for all activities of any individual who is operating under the authority of the permit.

**Ports, Designated -**

<b><u>DESIGNATED PORTS</u></b>	
<b>U.S. Customs ports designated for the importation or exportation of wildlife</b>	
<b>Anchorage, AK</b>	<b>Louisville, KY</b>
<b>Atlanta, GA</b>	<b>Memphis, TN</b>
<b>Baltimore, MD</b>	<b>Miami, FL</b>
<b>Boston, MD</b>	<b>New Orleans, LA</b>
<b>Chicago, IL</b>	<b>Newark, NJ</b>
<b>Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX</b>	<b>New York, NY</b>
<b>Houston, TX</b>	<b>Portland, OR</b>
<b>Honolulu, HI</b>	<b>San Francisco, CA</b>
<b>Los Angeles, CA</b>	<b>Seattle, WA</b>

**Principal Investigator (PI)** - The individual primarily responsible for the taking, importation, exportation, and any related activities conducted under a permit issued for scientific research or enhancement purposes. The PI must have qualifications, knowledge and experience relevant to the type of research activities authorized by the permit

**Researchers** – Researchers include the Permit Holder, Principal Investigator, and Co-investigator(s).

**Research Assistant (RA)** - Individual who is not yet experienced enough to qualify as Principal Investigator (PI) or Co-investigator (CI), and who therefore works under the direct and on-site supervision of the CI or PI. The qualifications and experiences of the RA must be commensurate with his/her assigned responsibilities. If the RA is to operate a boat, they must be licensed or highly experienced in operating vessels.

**Responsible Party** - The Responsible Party is an official who has the legal authority to bind the organization. For applications where it is requested that the permit be issued to an organization/institution/agency rather than an individual, the application must be signed by the Responsible Party. In addition, the permit, which is a legally binding document, must be signed by the Responsible Party to validate it.

**Secretary** – The Secretary of Secretary of Commerce (NMFS) or the Secretary of the Interior (USFWS).

**Serious injury** - Any injury that will likely result in a mortality.

**Soft parts** - Any part that is not a hard part, *e.g.* blood, blubber, or other tissue samples. Soft parts do not include urine or fecal material.

**Stranded marine mammal** (as defined under the MMPA) - A marine mammal specimen under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of Commerce, if: 1) the specimen is dead and is on a beach or shore, or is in the water within the Exclusive Economic Zone of the U.S.; or 2) the specimen is alive, and is on a beach or shore and is unable to return to the water, or is in the water within the Exclusive Economic Zone of the

U.S. where the water is so shallow that the specimen is unable to return to its natural habitat under its own power.

**Take** – As defined in the MMPA: To harass, hunt, capture, collect, or kill, or attempt to harass, hunt, capture, collect, or kill any marine mammal. This includes by regulatory definition, without limitation, any of the following: the collection of dead animals, or parts thereof; the restraint or detention of a marine mammal, no matter how temporary; tagging a marine mammal; the negligent or intentional operation of an aircraft or vessel, or the doing of any other negligent or intentional act which results in disturbing or molesting a marine mammal; and feeding or attempting to feed a marine mammal in the wild. As defined in the ESA: To harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct.

**Take table** - An outline, by species, age, and sex, of the type of activity(ies) authorized over a specified time period, the number of takes per activity, the number of takes per individual, and the location of takes and activity(ies).

## **Attachment 2: 50 CFR 216.37 Marine Mammal Parts**

With respect to marine mammal parts acquired by take or import authorized under a permit issued under this subpart:

(a) Marine mammal parts are transferable if:

(1) The person transferring the part receives no remuneration of any kind for the marine mammal part;

(2) The person receiving the marine mammal part is:

(i) An employee of NMFS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, or any other governmental agency with conservation and management responsibilities, who receives the part in the course of their official duties;

(ii) A holder of a special exception permit which authorizes the take, import, or other activity involving the possession of a marine mammal part of the same species as the subject part; or

(iii) In the case of marine mammal parts from a species that is not depleted, endangered or threatened, a person who is authorized under section 112(c) of the MMPA and subpart C of this part to take or import marine mammals or marine mammal parts;

(iv) Any other person specifically authorized by the Regional Director, consistent with the requirements of paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(3) through (6) of this section.

(3) The marine mammal part is transferred for the purpose of scientific research, maintenance in a properly curated, professionally accredited scientific collection, or education, provided that, for transfers for educational purposes, the recipient is a museum, educational institution or equivalent that will ensure that the part is available to the public as part of an educational program;

(4) A unique number assigned by the permit holder is marked on or affixed to the marine mammal part or container;

(5) The person receiving the marine mammal part agrees that, as a condition of receipt, subsequent transfers may only occur subject to the provisions of paragraph (a) of this section; and

(6) Within 30 days after the transfer, the person transferring the marine mammal part notifies the Regional Director of the transfer, including a description of the part, the person to whom the part was transferred, the purpose of the transfer, certification that the recipient has agreed to comply with the requirements of paragraph (a) of this section for subsequent transfers, and, if applicable, the recipient's permit number.

(b) Marine mammal parts may be loaned to another person for a purpose described in paragraph (a)(3) of this section and without the agreement and notification required under paragraphs (a)(5) and (6) of this section, if:

(1) A record of the loan is maintained; and

(2) The loan is for not more than one year. Loans for a period greater than 12 months, including loan extensions or renewals, require notification of the Regional Director under paragraph (a)(6).

(c) Unless other disposition is specified in the permit, a holder of a special exception permit may retain marine mammal parts not destroyed or otherwise disposed of during or after a scientific research or enhancement activity, if such marine mammal parts are:

- (1) Maintained as part of a properly curated, professionally accredited collection; or
- (2) Made available for purposes of scientific research or enhancement at the request of the Office Director.

(d) Marine mammal parts may be exported and subsequently reimported by a permit holder or subsequent authorized recipient, for the purpose of scientific research, maintenance in a properly curated, professionally accredited scientific collection, or education, provided that:

- (1) The permit holder or other person receives no remuneration for the marine mammal part;
- (2) A unique number assigned by the permit holder is marked on or affixed to the marine mammal specimen or container;
- (3) The marine mammal part is exported or reimported in compliance with all applicable domestic and foreign laws;
- (4) If exported or reimported for educational purposes, the recipient is a museum, educational institution, or equivalent that will ensure that the part is available to the public as part of an educational program; and
- (5) Special reports are submitted within 30 days after both export and reimport as required by the Office Director under §216.38.

### **Attachment 3: Research Coordination**

Permit Holders are required to coordinate with other researchers conducting the same or similar studies on the same species, in the same locations, and at the same time. Below is a list of Permit Holders conducting research on SRKW.

**Mr. John Calambokidis**  
**Cascadia Research**  
**Waterstreet Bldg.**  
**218 1/2 W. 4th Avenue**  
**Olympia, Washington 98501**  
**(206) 943-7325**  
**calambokidis@cascadiaresearch.org**

Permit No. 540-1811: Mr. Calambokidis' permit authorizes him to study marine mammals in the North Pacific Ocean including the waters off California, Oregon, and Washington by (1) using photo-identification activities to determine the abundance, movements, and population structure of cetaceans; (2) collecting skin biopsies to determine sex and relatedness, and to evaluate stock structure of cetaceans; (3) conducting suction cup tagging activities to examine the diving behavior, feeding, movements, and vocal behavior of cetacean species; (4) conducting aerial, vessel, and shore-based surveys to examine distribution, abundance, habitat, and feeding behavior; and (5) recovering dead harbor seals for contaminant analysis. The permit authorizes 300 annual takes of SRKW by close approach for aerial and vessel surveys and photo-identification. This permit expires on April 14, 2012.

**The Center for Whale Research**  
**Principal Investigator: Mr. Kenneth C. Balcomb III**  
**355 Smuggler's Cove Road**  
**Friday Harbor, Washington 98250**  
**(360) 378-5835**  
**orcasurv@rockisland.com**

Permit No. 532-1822: The Center for Whale Research is authorized to study Southern Resident killer whales throughout their range, from Monterey Bay, California to the Queen Charlotte Islands, Canada. The goal of this research is to continue the annual photo-identification studies of this population in order to monitor population size and demographics, movements and distribution, social structure, and individual health and body condition. To achieve these goals, the Permit Holder is authorized to take 500 SRKW annually by close approach for photo-identification during vessel and aerial surveys. The Permit Holder is also authorized to collect photo-identification data from other killer whale stocks that are encountered opportunistically, including the eastern North Pacific Offshore stock, eastern North Pacific Northern Resident stock, and the eastern North Pacific Transient stock. Takes may occur by close approach by vessel survey for photo-identification, and by incidental harassment by aerial and vessel surveys. In addition, the permit allows the collection of non-marine mammal prey remains after the killer whales have left said area. This permit expires on April 14, 2012.



**The NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center**  
**Principal Investigator: Dr. Lisa T. Ballance**  
**8604 La Jolla Shores Drive**  
**La Jolla, California 92037**  
**(619) 546-5601**  
**steve.reilly@noaa.gov**

Permit No. 14097: This permit allows takes of the recently ESA-listed Southern Resident killer whale DPS to document the range of the SRKW within 300 nm of the California, Oregon, and Washington outer coasts, which are outside their relatively well-studied distribution in inland and coastal waters. This research is carried out opportunistically during SWFSC's line-transect surveys designed to provide data for Stock Assessment Reports on abundance and stock identity of all marine mammals in these areas. Photo-identification activities are conducted from small boats at a distance of 10 – 20 meters (approximately 33 – 65 feet) from the animals. Specifically, the permit authorizes 40 annual takes of SRKW for photo-identification from vessel platforms and 10 annual takes of SRKW for biopsy sampling (excluding calves less than 1 year old). This permit expires on June 30, 2015.

**The National Marine Mammal Laboratory**  
**Principal Investigator: Dr. John L. Bengtson**  
**7600 Sand Point Way, NE.**  
**Seattle, Washington 98115-6349**  
**(206) 526-4016**  
**john.bengtson@noaa.gov**

Permit No. 14245 : This permit authorizes NMML to opportunistically sample SRKW when encountered during stock assessment surveys. Specifically, the permit authorizes 1000 annual takes of SRKW for photo-identification from aerial and vessel platforms, 10 annual takes of SRKW for biopsy sampling (excluding calves and accompanying females). All biopsy samples will undergo fatty acid, stable isotope, and contaminant analyses to determine the diet and nutrition of the animals. This permit expires on May 1, 2016.

**Dr. Robin W. Baird**  
**Cascadia Research**  
**Waterstreet Bldg.**  
**218 1/2 W. 4th Avenue**  
**Olympia, Washington 98501**  
**(425) 879-0360**  
**rwbaird@cascadiaresearch.org**

Permit No. 15530: This permit authorizes 30 suction cup tag takes of all juveniles and adults of SRKW annually and 1000 takes of all age classes and sex by harassment during close approach for vessel and aerial surveys, photo-identification, behavioral observations, video and acoustic

recordings, and incidental harassment. This research primarily occurs in the waters of Washington, but may also occur in the waters of California and Oregon. This permit expires on August 01, 2016.

**Attachment 4: NMFS REGIONAL STRANDING COORDINATORS**  
<http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/pr/health/coordinators.htm>

**HEADQUARTERS COORDINATOR:**

Dr. Teri Rowles, National Coordinator  
Office of Protected Resources  
Marine Mammal Division, F/PR2  
National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA  
1315 East-West Highway  
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226  
Phone (301) 713-2322; Fax (301) 427-2522

**REGIONAL COORDINATORS:**

<b>AK</b>	Aleria Jensen, Alaska Region National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA P.O. Box 21668 Juneau, AK 99802-1668 Phone (907) 586-7248; Fax (907) 586-7012
<b>CT, DE, IL, IN, ME, MD, MA, MI, MN, NH, NJ, NY, OH, PA, RI, VT, VA, WV, WI</b>	Mendy Garron, Northeast Region National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA One Blackburn Drive Gloucester MA 01930 Phone (978)281-9300 x6528; Fax 978-281-9394
<b>CO, ID, MT, ND, OR, SD, UT, WA, WY</b>	Brent Norberg, Northwest Region National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1 Seattle, WA 98115-0070 Phone (206) 526-6733; Fax (206) 526-6736
<b>AL, AR, FL, GA, IA KS, KY, LA, MS, MO, NC, NE, OK, PR, SC TN, TX, VI, NM</b>	Blair Mase-Guthrie, Southeast Region National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA 75 Virginia Beach Dr. Miami, FL 33149 Phone (305) 361-4586; Fax (305) 361-1462
<b>AZ, CA, NV</b>	Joseph Cordero, Southwest Region National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200 Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 Phone (562) 980-4017; Fax (562) 980-4018
<b>HI, Guam, American Samoa Northern Mariana Islands</b>	David Schofield, Pacific Islands Region 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Rm 1110 Honolulu, HI 96814 Phone (808) 944-2269; Fax (808) 973-2941

**Attachment 5: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Wildlife Inspectors**[http://www.fws.gov/le/ImpExp/Contact\\_Info\\_Ports.htm](http://www.fws.gov/le/ImpExp/Contact_Info_Ports.htm)

<b>DESIGNATED PORTS</b>	
<b>U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Law Enforcement</b>	
<b><u>Anchorage - Designated</u></b> P.O. Box 190045 Anchorage, Alaska, USA 99519 Phone: (907)271-6198 Fax: (907)271-6199	<b><u>Los Angeles - Designated</u></b> 370 Amapola Ave. #114 Torrance, California 90501 Phone: (310)328-6307 Fax: (310)328-6399
<b><u>Atlanta - Designated</u></b> P.O. Box 45287 Atlanta, Georgia 30320 Phone: (404)763-7959 Fax: (404)763-7560	<b><u>Memphis - Designated</u></b> University of Memphis- South Camp Memphis, Tennessee 38512 Phone: (901)360-7007 Fax: (901)360-7010
<b><u>Baltimore - Designated</u></b> 40 S. Gay Street, #223 Baltimore, Maryland 21202 Phone: (410)865-2127 Fax: (410)865-2129	<b><u>Miami - Designated</u></b> 10426 N.W. 31 <sup>st</sup> Terrace Miami, Florida 33172 Phone: (305)526-2610 Fax: (305)526-2695
<b><u>Boston - Designated</u></b> 70 Everett Avenue, Suite 315 Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150 Phone: (617)892-6616 Fax: (617)889-1980	<b><u>New Orleans - Designated</u></b> 2424 Edenborn, Room 100 Metairie, Louisiana 70001 Phone: (504)219-8870 Fax: (504)219-8868
<b><u>Chicago - Designated</u></b> Wildlife Inspection Program P.O. Box 66726 Chicago, Illinois 60666-0726 Phone: (773)894-2910 Fax: (773)894-2916	<b><u>Newark - Designated</u></b> 1210 Corbin St. SeaLand Bldg., 2 <sup>nd</sup> Fl. Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201 Phone: (973)645-6171 Fax: (973)645-6533
<b><u>Dallas/Ft. Worth - Designated</u></b> 1717 West 23 <sup>rd</sup> , Suite 104 DFW Airport, Texas 75261 Phone: (972)574-3254 Fax: (972)574-4669	<b><u>New York - Designated</u></b> 70 E. Sunrise Hwy. #419 Valley Stream, New York 11580 Phone: (516)825-3950 Fax: (516)825-1929 - Inspectors Fax: (516)825-3597 - Special Agents
<b><u>Houston - Designated</u></b> 16639 W. Hardy Houston, Texas 77060-6230 Phone: (281)446-1284 Fax: (281)540-0357	<b><u>Portland - Designated</u></b> 7000 NE Airport Way, Rm. C2732 Portland, Oregon 97238 Phone: (503)231-6135 Fax: (503)231-6133
<b><u>Honolulu - Designated</u></b> 3375 Koapaka St., #F275 Honolulu, Hawaii 96819 Phone: (808)861-8525 Fax: (808)861-8515	<b><u>San Francisco - Designated</u></b> 1633 Old Bayshore Hwy., Ste. 248 Burlingame, California 94010 Phone: (650)876-9078 Fax: (650)876-9701
<b><u>Louisville - Designated</u></b> 601 Broadway, Suite 115-A Louisville, Kentucky 40202 Phone: (502)582-5989 Fax: (502)582-5981	<b><u>Seattle - Designated</u></b> 2580 South 156 <sup>th</sup> Street Seattle, Washington 98158 Phone: (206)764-3463 Fax: (206)764-3485

**NON-DESIGNATED PORTS<sup>1</sup>**  
**U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Law Enforcement**

<p><b>Blaine</b>  9925 Pacific Highway  Blaine, Washington 98230  Phone: (360)332-5388  Fax: (360)332-3010</p>	<p><b>Great Falls</b>  2800 Terminal Dr.  Suite #105  Great Falls, Montana, USA 59404  Phone: (406)453-5790  Fax: (406)453-3657</p>
<p><b>Brownsville</b>  1500 E. Elizabeth St. #239  Brownsville, Texas 78520  Phone: (956)504-2035  Fax: (956)504-2289</p>	<p><b>Nogales</b>  9 N. Grand Avenue #2229 A  Nogales, Arizona 85621  Phone: (520)287-4633  Fax: (520)287-3877</p>
<p><b>Buffalo</b>  405 N. French Road #120 B  Amherst, New York 14228  Phone: (716)691-3635  Fax: (716)691-3990</p>	<p><b>Laredo</b>  Convent &amp; Zaragoza  Bridge #1, 200.9  Laredo, Texas 78040  Phone: (956)726-2234  Fax: (956)726-3718</p>
<p><b>Detroit</b>  Bldg. 830; 2599 World Gateway Place  Detroit Metro Airport, Michigan, USA 48242  Phone: (734)247-6800  Fax: (734)247-6805</p>	<p><b>Puerto Rico</b>  651 FED. Dr. Suite 372-12  Guaynabo, PR 00965  Phone: (787)749-4338  Fax: (787)749-4340</p>
<p><b>Dunsieth</b>  RR1, Box 115  Dunseith, North Dakota, USA 58329  Phone: (701)263-4462  Fax: (701)263-4463</p>	<p><b>San Diego</b>  185 West F Street, Room 440  San Diego, California 92101  Phone: (619)557-5794  Fax: (619)557-2997</p>
<p><b>El Paso</b>  Bota, 3600 E. Paisano, #142A  El Paso, Texas 79905  Phone: (915)872-4765  Fax: (915)532-4776</p>	<p><b>Tampa</b>  9549 Koger Blvd. #111  St. Petersburg, Florida 33702  Phone: (727)570-5398  Fax: (727)570-5450</p>
<p><b>Guam</b>  415 Chalan San Antonio Road  Baltej Pavillion, Suite 209  Tamuning, Guam 96913-3620  Phone: (671)647-6064  Fax: (671)647-6068</p>	<p><b>St. Paul/Minneapolis</b>  HHH Terminal  7100 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue S.  Minneapolis, Minnesota 55450  Phone: (612)726-6302  Fax: (612)726-6303</p>

<sup>1</sup>The USFWS Law Enforcement Division MUST authorize ALL non-designated port usage. If you prefer to use a non-designated port, please contact the appropriate Law Enforcement Office.

