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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Timko, Deputy Director, Forest Management, 202-205-1688.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Council discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Council members. However, persons who wish to bring Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program matters to the attention of the Council may file written statements with the Council staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by July 19, 2010, will have the opportunity to address the Council at those sessions.

Dated: June 28, 2010.

Thomas A. Peterson,
Acting Associate Deputy Chief, NFS.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Eleven Point Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Eleven Point Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Winona, Missouri. The committee is meeting as authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110-343) and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the meeting is initiate review of proposed forest management projects so that recommendations may be made to the Forest Service on which should be funded through Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, as amended in 2008.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, July 15, 2010, 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Twin Pines Conservation Education Center located on U.S. Highway 60, Rt 1, Box 1998, Winona, MO. Written

comments should be sent to David Whittekiend, Designated Federal Official, Mark Twain National Forest, 401 Fairgrounds Road, Rolla, MO. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to dwhittekiend@fs.fed.us or via facsimile to 573-364-6844.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at Mark Twain National Forest Supervisors Office, 401 Fairgrounds Road, Rolla, MO. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 573-341-7404 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Hall, Eleven Point Resource Advisory Committee Coordinator, Mark Twain National Forest, 573-341-7404.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. The following business will be conducted: The meeting will begin to focus on the potential projects that the RAC will be reviewing. Persons who wish to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with David Whittekiend (address above) before or after the meeting.

Dated: June 28, 2010.

David Whittekiend,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XX14

Marine Mammals; File No. 15511

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that SeaWorld, LLC., 9205 South Center Loop, Suite 400 Orlando, FL 32819, has applied in due form for a permit to import one short-finned pilot whale (*Globicephala macrorhynchus*) for public display.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before August 2, 2010.

ADDRESSES: The application 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) 713-0376; and Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562) 980-4001; fax (562) 980-4018.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on these applications should be submitted to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, at the address listed above. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (301) 713-0376, or by email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include File No. 15511 in the subject line of the email comment. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Skidmore or Kristy Beard, (301) 713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

SeaWorld, LLC. requests authorization to import one male short-finned pilot whale to SeaWorld California for the purpose of public display. This animal was rescued by the Southern Caribbean Cetacean Network in Curacao, Netherlands Antilles, and was imported to SeaWorld California on January 4, 2010, under Cooperative Agreement No. 2009-02. The animal has been determined to be non-releaseable to the wild and will be maintained at SeaWorld California for public display. SeaWorld California: (1) is open to the public on a regularly scheduled basis with access that is not limited or restricted other than by charging for an admission fee; (2) offers an educational program based on professionally accepted standards of the Alliance of Marine Mammal Parks and Aquariums; and (3) holds an Exhibitor's License, number 93-C-0069, issued by the U.S. Department of Agriculture under the Animal Welfare Act (7 U.S.C. §§ 2131 - 59).

In addition to determining whether the applicant meets the three public display criteria, NMFS must determine whether the applicant has demonstrated

that the proposed activity is humane and does not represent any unnecessary risks to the health and welfare of marine mammals; that the proposed activity by itself, or in combination with other activities, will not likely have a significant adverse impact on the species or stock; and that the applicant's expertise, facilities and resources are adequate to accomplish successfully the objectives and activities stated in the applications.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: June 28, 2010.

P. Michael Payne,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XX07

Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP)

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

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Northeast Region, NMFS (Assistant Regional Administrator), has made a preliminary determination that an EFP application contains all of the required information and warrants further consideration. This EFP would allow one commercial fishing vessel to harvest, retain, and bring to port, six egg-bearing, legal-sized, female American lobster (lobster) taken from conventional lobster traps in between Block and Hudson Canyons in Lobster Management Area 3 during the summer of 2010.

The participating vessel will be exempted from the prohibitions relative to the possession, transportation and shipping of egg-bearing lobsters until the six egg-bearing lobsters are obtained for use by the researchers. The lobsters are needed for the purpose of studying lobster larval settlement by comparing settlement behavior of inshore and offshore lobster populations being conducted by Boston University in conjunction with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

Further review and consultation may be necessary before a final determination is made to issue an EFP. NMFS announces that the Assistant Regional Administrator proposes to issue an EFP and, therefore, invites comments on the issuance of this EFP.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 19, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by any of the following methods:

- Email: NERO.EFP@noaa.gov.

Include in the subject line "Comments on BU Lobster Larval Settlement EFP."

- Mail: Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, NE Regional Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope "Comments on BU Lobster Larval Settlement EFP."

- Fax: (978) 281-9117.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Peter Burns, Fishery Management Specialist, 978-281-9144, peter.burns@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Boston University, in conjunction with the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute, submitted a complete application for an EFP on May 28, 2010, to conduct commercial fishing activities that the regulations would otherwise restrict. The EFP would authorize one vessel to harvest, retain, and bring to port, six egg-bearing, legal-sized, female lobsters.

The researchers are studying settlement behavior of larval lobsters. Recent genetic work indicates that lobster populations which are relatively close in proximity (for example, only 30 miles apart), are morphologically and genetically distinct from one another. The researchers believe settlement of the larvae may play a role in maintaining this population structure and have planned experiments to compare settlement behavior of different larval stages between inshore and offshore populations.

The researchers request to obtain six egg-bearing, legal-sized female lobsters from an offshore commercial lobster trap vessel during the summer of 2010. The lobsters will be harvested using

standard lobster traps which meet the Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan gear specifications, and will be harvested from conventional traps set between Block and Hudson Canyons (NMFS Statistical Areas 537, 616, and 613) in Lobster Management Area 3. All six egg-bearing lobsters will likely be obtained over the course of a single lobster trawl comprised of about 20-40 traps set for approximately one week. It is expected that the vessel will be able to obtain all the lobsters needed under this exemption during one multi-day fishing trip during July 2010. The researchers will take possession of the egg-bearing lobsters when the vessel reaches port at the end of the fishing trip during which the lobsters were harvested.

Obtaining the egg-bearing lobster is most effectively done through coordinating with a commercial lobster vessel since lobsters representative of the offshore population are needed to conduct the study. The participating vessel will be exempted from the prohibitions in §§ 697.20(d)(3) and (4) relative to the possession, transportation and shipping of egg-bearing lobsters until the six egg-bearing lobsters are obtained for use by the researchers.

The applicant may request minor modifications and extensions to the EFP throughout the year. EFP modifications and extensions may be granted without further notice if they are deemed essential to facilitate completion of the proposed research and have minimal impacts that do not change the scope or impact of the initially approved EFP request. Any fishing activity conducted outside the scope of the exempted fishing activity would not be covered by the exemption and would have to otherwise comply with all applicable laws.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: June 29, 2010.

James P. Burgess

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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