

(river mile 206). Rotary screw-trap (RST) operations have been on-going at the GCID fish screen by the State of California from 1991 through 2009. GCID proposes continuous monitoring operations by RST, and the capture, identification and enumeration of fish to species. A subsample of 30 captured salmon will be anesthetized, measured, revived and released downstream from the trapping location. GCID anticipates an annual non-lethal take of up to 4,000 natural and 500 hatchery juvenile winter-run Chinook salmon (with an estimated 1 percent non-intentional mortality), 1,000 natural and 500 hatchery juvenile spring-run Chinook salmon (with an estimated 1 percent non-intentional mortality), 500 natural and 500 hatchery juvenile steelhead (with an estimated 1 percent non-intentional mortality), and 50 natural juvenile southern DPS green sturgeon (including an estimated .02 percent non-intentional mortality).

The University of California at Davis (UCD) requests a five-year permit (15926) for the possession and genotyping (single nucleotide polymorphism (SNP) analyses) of Sacramento River winter-run and Central Valley spring-run Chinook salmon and Central Valley steelhead tissues currently maintained in the California Department of Fish and Game Salmonid Tissue Archive and those to be collected in future non-lethal agency and research trapping activities. UCD anticipates possession of natural and hatchery-origin fish tissues representative of salmonid populations throughout the Central Valley, California. The results of this study will contribute to the genetic management and hatchery operations regarding Chinook salmon and steelhead reintroductions to the upper San Joaquin River system, with a focus on potential natural recolonization and effective population size of spring-run populations and a broad genetic diversity assessment.

The Natural Resource Scientists, Incorporated (NRSI) requests a 2-year permit (16083) for take of juvenile Sacramento River winter-run Chinook salmon, Central Valley spring-run Chinook salmon, Central Valley steelhead, and southern DPS of green sturgeon while conducting site-specific research at five irrigation diversion outfall sites within the Sacramento River and Delta system, California. Entrained fish will be collected via fyke net, and sampled from March through January of each year to encompass the primary irrigation season. The research is part of an on-going investigation into developing criteria for prioritizing fish

screening projects, and will correlate fish entrainment with the physical, hydraulic, and habitat variables at each diversion site. All fish will be identified as to species, enumerated, measured for length, and placed back into the canals; all entrained fish captured live will be returned to the river. Sampling at each diversion site will be performed continuously from March 1 through January 31 during the study period. NRSI requests authorization for an estimated annual non-lethal take of 1,227 juvenile winter-run Chinook salmon, 1,341 juvenile spring-run Chinook salmon, 150 juvenile steelhead, and 145 juvenile green sturgeon. No indirect mortality is anticipated during fish capture and sampling activities carried out for the study.

Dated: December 9, 2010.

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Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Science Advisory Board; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the NOAA Science Advisory Board. The members will discuss and provide advice on issues outlined in the agenda below.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for: Wednesday, December 22 from 11-12 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: Conference call. Public access is available at: NOAA, SSMC 3, Room 12836, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Cynthia Decker, Executive Director, Science Advisory Board, NOAA, Rm. 11230, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. (Phone: 301-734-1156, Fax: 301-713-1459, E-mail: Cynthia.Decker@noaa.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the

only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services. SAB activities and advice provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

Matters To Be Considered: The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 22, 2010, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Eastern Time.

Agenda

1. Consideration of the Report from the External Review of the Cooperative Institute for Limnology and Ecosystem Research.

Dated: December 9, 2010.

Mark E. Brown,

Chief Financial Officer-Chief Administrative Officer, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered Species; File No. 14400

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Channel Islands National Park, 1901 Spinnaker Drive, Ventura, CA 93001 [Responsible Party: Daniel Richards] has been issued a permit to take black abalone for purposes of scientific research and enhancement.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

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.