

by the regulations published by the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ; 40 CFR parts 1500–1508), the Navy prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) for this project. NMFS made the Navy's EA available to the public for review and comment, in relation to its suitability for adoption by NMFS in order to assess the impacts to the human environment of issuance of an IHA to the Navy. Also in compliance with NEPA and the CEQ regulations, as well as NOAA Administrative Order 216–6, NMFS has reviewed the Navy's EA, determined it to be sufficient, and adopted that EA and signed a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) in September 2016.

Authorization

As a result of these determinations, we have issued an IHA to the Navy for conducting the described pier and support facilities for the transit protection system U.S. Coast Guard Air Station/Sector Field Office Port Angeles, Washington from November 1, 2016 through February 15, 2017, and July 16 through October 31, 2017 provided the previously mentioned mitigation, monitoring, and reporting requirements are incorporated.

Dated: September 27, 2016.

Donna S. Wieting,

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XC599

Marine Mammals; File No. 17845

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application for permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Rachel Cartwright, Ph.D., Keiki Kohola Project, 4945 Coral Way, Oxnard, CA 93035, has applied for an amendment to Scientific Research Permit No. 17845.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or email comments must be received on or before November 9, 2016.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review by selecting “Records Open for Public Comment” from the “Features” box on the Applications and Permits for

Protected Species home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>, and then selecting File No. 17845 from the list of available applications.

These documents are also available upon written request or by appointment in the Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427–8401; fax (301) 713–0376.

Written comments on this application should be submitted to the Chief, Permits and Conservation 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 the File No. in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division at the address listed above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shasta McClenahan or Carrie Hubbard, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject amendment to Permit No. 17845 is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (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, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222–226).

Permit No. 17845, issued on January 25, 2014 (79 FR 5382), authorizes the permit holder to conduct Level A and B harassment of humpback whales (*Megaptera novaengliae*) during photo-identification, behavioral follows, and surface and underwater observations in Hawaii, Alaska, and California. Nine other cetacean species may be studied opportunistically and two species of pinnipeds may be incidentally harassed. The permit expires on January 31, 2019. The permit holder is requesting the permit be amended to authorize Level B playbacks for humpback whales to estimate their hearing range using behavioral observation audiometry. The sounds will be presented to a maximum of 300 humpback whales and their behavioral responses will be measured through visual and acoustic recordings including an unmanned aerial system. The research will take place from January through April, annually, in Hawaii. Only humpback whales will be

targeted for active playback, but incidental harassment to additional species may occur including bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*), spinner dolphins (*Stenella longirostris*), false killer whales (*Pseudorca crassidens*), melon headed whales (*Peponocephala electra*), and short-finned pilot whales (*Globicephala macrorhynchus*).

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: September 27, 2016.

Julia Harrison,

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Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Sunshine Act Meeting

The National Civilian Community Corps Advisory Board gives notice of the following meeting:

Date and Time: Tuesday, October 18, 2016, 2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m. (CT).

Place: Main Conference Room, AmeriCorps NCCC Southern Region Campus, 2715 Confederate Avenue, Vicksburg, MS 39180.

Call-In Information: This meeting is available to the public through the following toll-free call-in number: 888–324–9650 conference call access code number 2943297. Pete McRoberts will be the lead on the call. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Corporation will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Replays are generally available one hour after a call ends. The toll-free phone number for the replay is 888–566–0571. The end replay date: November 17, 2016, 10:59 p.m. (CT).

Status: Open.

Matters To Be Considered