

Bonneville MMPA Section 120 – Chronology of Events

Date:	Context:	Event:
December 5, 2006	MMPA	Oregon, Washington, Idaho Submit MMPA Section 120 Application for Lethal Removal Authority
January 3, 2007	MMPA	Lohn NMFS/NWR to Hogarth NMFS/AA Decision Memo: Receipt of States' MMPA Application
January 30, 2007	MMPA	72 Fed. Reg. 4239. Receipt of States' MMPA Application and Request for Public Comment
March 13, 2007	ESA	Biological Assessment, Determination that Non-Lethal Deterrence is Not Likely to Adversely Affect ESA Species
April 2, 2007	MMPA	Public Comment Period Closes
July 25, 2007	MMPA	Norberg NMFS/NWR to File Memo: Achieving Equitable Balance of View for the Task Force
July 26, 2007	MMPA	Lohn NMFS/NWR to Hogarth NMFS/AA Decision Memo: Intent to Establish a Task Force
August 9, 2007	MMPA	72 Fed. Reg. 44833. Establishing a Pinniped-Fishery Interaction Task Force
September 4-5, 2007	MMPA	Task Force First Meeting, Portland OR
October 9-10, 2007	MMPA	Task Force Second Meeting, Portland OR
November 5, 2007	MMPA	Task Force Submits Its' Report and Recommendations
November 29, 2007	NEPA	Darm NMFS/NWR to File Memorandum: NEPA Compliance Work Group Recommended Alternatives
January 2, 2008	NEPA	Lohn NMFS/NWR to Rauch NMFS/Dep. AA Issues Advisory Memo: Draft Environmental Assessment
January 18, 2008	NEPA	73 Fed. Reg. 3453. Draft Environmental Assessment and Request for Public Comment
February 19, 2008	NEPA	Public Comment Period Closes
March 11, 2008	ESA	ESA Biological Opinion Consultation # F/NWR 2008/00486
March 12, 2008	MMPA	Lohn NMFS/NWR to Balsiger NMFS/AA Decision Memo: Approval of MMPA Application
March 12, 2008	NEPA	Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)
March 14, 2008	NEPA	Lohn NMFS/NWR to Weiher NOAA/NEPA Decision Memo: Announcing FONSI
March 17, 2008	MMPA	Lecky NMFS/OPR to Oregon, Washington, Idaho Letter of Authorization (LOA): Authorizing Lethal Removal
March 24, 2008	Litigation	Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) v. Gutierrez et al. District Court, Oregon
March 28, 2008	Litigation	HSUS Request for Injunction
April 16, 2008	Litigation	HSUS Injunction Request Denied, District Court, Oregon
April 17, 2008	Litigation	HSUS Appeal for Emergency Relief
April 23, 2008	Litigation	HSUS Emergency Injunctive Relief Granted, Ninth Circuit
May 4, 2008	MMPA, ESA	Trapping Accident – Four California sea lions and two Steller sea lions die
November 25, 2008	Litigation	Opinion and Order, District Court, Oregon: Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment Denied
December 5, 2008	Litigation	HSUS Appeal to Ninth Circuit Court

February 20, 2009	ESA	ESA Biological Opinion Consultation # F/NWR 2008/08780 Re-initiation of F/NWR 2008/00486
September 3, 2010	MMPA	Stelle, Jr. NMFS/NWR to Task Force Invitation to Three Year Evaluation of the Lethal Removal Program
October 25-26, 2010	MMPA	Task Force First Evaluation Meeting
November 9-10, 2010	MMPA	Task Force Second Evaluation Meeting
November 23, 2010	Litigation	Opinion and Order, Ninth Circuit Court: NMFS MMPA Decision Vacated and Remanded
December 7, 2010	MMPA	Oregon, Washington, Idaho Request Re-Issuance of MMPA Section 120 Letter of Authorization
December 17, 2010	MMPA	Task Force Submits Three Year Review and Evaluation Report
January 19, 2011	MMPA	NMFS Announces Plan to Issue MMPA Authorization
May 9, 2011	NEPA	2008 Environmental Assessment - Supplemental Information Report
May 10, 2011	ESA	ESA Biological Opinion Updated
May 12, 2011	MMPA	Stelle Jr. NMFS/NWR to Schwaab NMFS/AA Decision Memo: Issuing New Letter of Authorization
May 12, 2011	MMPA	Lecky NMFS/OPR to Oregon and Washington MMPA Letter of Authorization for Lethal Removal
May 19, 2011	Litigation	HSUS v Locke (D.D.C.)
July 22, 2011	MMPA	Lecky NMFS/OPR to Oregon and Washington Revoking Letter of Authorization
August 15, 2011	Litigation	HSUS v Locke: Case voluntarily dismissed by HSUS
August 18, 2011	MMPA	Oregon, Washington, Idaho Submit MMPA Section 120 Application for Lethal Removal Authority
September 12, 2011	MMPA	76 Fed. Reg. 56167. Announcing Receipt of MMPA Section 120 Application and Request for Public Comment
October 12, 2011	MMPA	Public Comment Period Closes
October 24, 2011	MMPA	Task Force New Application Review Meeting
November 14, 2011	MMPA	Task Force Submits Facilitator's Final Report
November 15, 2011	NEPA	NEPA Compliance Working Group 2008 Environmental Assessment Review and Scoping Meeting
February 29, 2012	ESA	ESA Supplemental Biological Opinion Prepared
March 2, 2012	NEPA	2008 Environmental Assessment - Supplemental Information Report Prepared
March 2, 2012	MMPA	NWR Regional MMPA Analysis and Report Prepared
March 2, 2012	NEPA	NEPA Compliance Memo Prepared