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Overview

This page is designed to provide information on why the marine mammal non-fishery interaction program was created, how the program operates under current laws and regulations, and to provide guidance on how to obtain marine mammal small take authorizations for non-fishery activities. The marine mammal non-fishery interaction program is tasked with implementation of section 101(a)(5) (A-D) of the [Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972](#) (MMPA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1371(a)(5)), which provides a mechanism for allowing, upon request, the "incidental", but not intentional, taking, of small numbers of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographic region.

MMPA Incidental Take Authorization or Letter of Authorization (LOA)

In 1981, Congress amended the MMPA to provide for "incidental take" authorizations for maritime activities, provided NMFS found the takings would be of small numbers and have no more than a ["negligible impact"](#) on those marine mammal species not listed as depleted under the MMPA (i.e., listed under the [Endangered Species Act \(ESA\)](#), and not having an ["unmitigable adverse impact"](#) on subsistence harvests of these species. These "incidental take" authorizations, also known as Letters of Authorization or LOAs, require that regulations be promulgated and published in the *Federal Register* outlining:

- Permissible methods and the specified geographical region of taking;
- The means of effecting the least practicable adverse impact on the species or stock and its habitat and on the availability of the species or stock for ["subsistence"](#) uses; and,
- Requirements for monitoring and reporting, including requirements for the independent peer-review of proposed monitoring plans where the proposed activity may affect the availability of a species or stock for taking for subsistence uses.

In 1986, Congress amended both the MMPA, under the incidental take program, and the ESA to authorize takings of depleted (and endangered or threatened) marine mammals, again provided the taking (lethal, injurious, or harassment) was small in number and had a negligible impact on marine mammals.

MMPA Incidental Harassment Authorization (IHA)

In 1994, MMPA section 101(a)(5) was amended to establish an expedited process by which citizens of the U.S. can apply for an authorization to incidentally take small numbers of marine mammals by ["harassment"](#), referred to as Incidental Harassment Authorizations or IHAs. It established specific time limits for public notice and comment on any requests for authorization which would be granted under this new provision. According to the legislative history, Congress expected NMFS to act expeditiously in complying with the notice and comment requirements

and expected NMFS to use the general rule making authority available under section 112 of the MMPA to establish a process for granting authorization in the case of incidental takes by harassment in ["Arctic waters"](#). In 1996 NMFS published an interim final rule (50 CFR Part 216.101-108) implementing this aspect of the program. The interim rule will be amended and written upon completion of NMFS' criteria for [acoustic harassment](#).

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Because the incidental harassment authorization process has eliminated the need for promulgating specific regulations on the incidental taking, IHAs have been of increasing interest since 1994 for those individuals with relatively short-term activities that might inadvertently harass marine mammals. This program allows authorizations to be issued in 120 days, instead of the 8-18 months typically needed for LOAs issued under regulations.

Regarding activities that occur in Arctic waters, the MMPA requires that monitoring plans be peer reviewed where the activity has the potential to affect the availability of a species or stock of marine mammals for subsistence uses. In order to aid NOAA Fisheries Service in its review of the monitoring plans, NOAA Fisheries Service holds an annual [Open Water Meeting](#) in Anchorage, Alaska, each spring.

Types of Activities

Most LOAs and IHAs to date have involved the incidental harassment of marine mammals by noise. Activities with the greatest potential to harass by noise include:

- seismic airguns
- ship and aircraft noise
- high energy sonars
- explosives detonations

Applying for an LOA or IHA

First the applicant must ask: **Do I need an LOA or an IHA?**

The applicant should apply for an **IHA** and does not need an LOA for the activity if it can be shown that:

1. there is no potential for serious injury or mortality; or,
2. the potential for serious injury or mortality can be negated through mitigation requirements that could be required under the authorization

If these two requirements cannot be met, or in other words, if the potential for "[serious injury](#)" and/or mortalities exists and there are no mitigating measurements that could be taken to prevent this form of 'take' from occurring, then the applicant must obtain an **LOA**.

After the type of authorization is determined, the applicant must submit a written request to the NMFS Office of Protected Resources AND the appropriate NMFS [Regional Office](#) where the specified activity is planned. These requests must include items 1-14 below before being considered by NMFS.

{Note that incomplete applications and applications that do not contain or refer to the necessary [NEPA](#) documentation, if applicable, will be returned to the applicant with explanation.}

All applications for marine mammal incidental take authorizations, whether an LOA or an IHA, must include the following information in sufficient detail for NOAA Fisheries to meet the requirements mandated by section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA):

1. A detailed description of the specific activity or class of activities that can be expected to result in incidental taking of marine mammals;
2. The date(s) and duration of such activity and the specific geographical region where it will occur;
3. The species and numbers of marine mammals likely to be found within the activity area;
4. A description of the status, distribution, and seasonal distribution (when applicable) of the affected species or stocks of marine mammals likely to be affected by such activities;
5. The type of incidental taking authorization that is being requested (i.e., takes by harassment only; takes by harassment, injury and/or death) and the method of incidental taking;
6. By age, sex, and reproductive condition (if possible), the number of marine mammals (by species) that may be taken by each type of taking identified in paragraph (a)(5) of this section, and the number of times such takings by

- each type of taking are likely to occur;
7. The anticipated impact of the activity upon the species or stock;
 8. The anticipated impact of the activity on the availability of the species or stocks of marine mammals for subsistence uses;
 9. The anticipated impact of the activity upon the habitat of the marine mammal populations, and the likelihood of restoration of the affected habitat;
 10. The anticipated impact of the loss or modification of the habitat on the marine mammal populations involved;
 11. The availability and feasibility (economic and technological) of equipment, methods, and manner of conducting such activity or other means of effecting the least practicable adverse impact upon the affected species or stocks, their habitat, and on their availability for subsistence uses, paying particular attention to rookeries, mating grounds, and areas of similar significance;
 12. Where the proposed activity would take place in or near a traditional Arctic subsistence hunting area and/or may affect the availability of a species or stock of marine mammal for Arctic subsistence uses, the applicant must submit either a ["plan of cooperation"](#) or information that identifies what measures have been taken and/or will be taken to minimize any adverse effects on the availability of marine mammals for subsistence uses.
 13. The suggested means of accomplishing the necessary monitoring and reporting that will result in increased knowledge of the species, the level of taking or impacts on populations of marine mammals that are expected to be present while conducting activities and suggested means of minimizing burdens by coordinating such reporting requirements with other schemes already applicable to persons conducting such activity. Monitoring plans should include a description of the survey techniques that would be used to determine the movement and activity of marine mammals near the activity site(s) including migration and other habitat uses, such as feeding. Guidelines for developing a site-specific monitoring plan may be obtained by writing to the Director, Office of Protected Resources; and
 14. Suggested means of learning of, encouraging, and coordinating research opportunities, plans, and activities relating to reducing such incidental taking and evaluating its effects.

All documentation, including the application, reports, and any other associated documents are considered public information and as such, are subject to the Freedom of Information Act. Notwithstanding any other provision of the law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

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How long does it take to get an authorization once the application is complete?

Please note that decisions on **LOA** applications (includes two comment periods, possible public hearings, and consultations) may take from 8-18 months. **IHA** decisions normally involve one comment period and, depending on the issues and species involved, can take anywhere from 4-8 months.

Endangered Species Act Authorizations Involving Marine Mammals

The 1986 MMPA Amendments provided for an authorization to incidentally take ESA-listed marine mammals provided the taking (including mortality) was authorized under section 101(a)(5) of the MMPA.

Any takings of marine mammals listed as threatened or endangered under the ESA must be authorized under both the ESA and MMPA. The ESA takes are authorized by either an Incidental Take Statement or ITS under Section 7 (for Federal agency actions) or a Section 10 permit (for private citizens).

Federal Agency Actions

Section 7 of the ESA requires a Federal authorizing or action agency to consult

Section 7 of the ESA requires a Federal authorizing or action agency to consult with NMFS on any actions that might affect listed species. If the agency or NMFS determines an action is likely to adversely affect a species (this would include any taking actions under the MMPA), formal consultation is required. Here, NMFS prepares a "[Biological Opinion](#)" (BO) which assesses whether the action is likely to jeopardize the existence of the species. The BO may include binding and/or discretionary recommendations to reduce impact. An ITS is attached to the BO as an appendix, and it is this statement which allows the incidental take. An ITS cannot be authorized for a listed marine mammal until the MMPA authorization is completed.

Non-Federal Actions

A private citizen or State action not involving a Federal agency which would result in an incidental taking of a listed species must be authorized under section 10 of the ESA. The applicant is required to develop a [conservation plan](#) which describes the action, evaluates the effect of the take, and establishes the level of take. The Federal action of NMFS issuing a permit under section 10 is considered an action which itself requires section 7 consultation (in which case NMFS consults with itself).

LOA/IHA Applications for Public Review

Applicant	Application	EA/EIS	Documents
2014-2015 Deepwater Wind Block Island Transmission System (BITS) Construction	IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2014-2019 U.S. Navy Missile Launches from San Nicolas Island	LOA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA: Open for Comment through 04/21/2014 Federal Register Notice of Receipt
2014 U.S. Coast Guard Station Monterey Waterfront Improvement Project	IHA Application [pdf]	USCG EA [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA: Open for Comment through 04/11/2014 Marine Mammal Monitoring Plan [pdf] Acoustic Monitoring Plan [pdf]
2014 Sonoma County Water Agency's Russian River Estuary Management project	IHA Application [pdf]	EA (2010) [pdf] FONSI (2010) [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA: Open for Comment through 04/04/2014 Monitoring Report [pdf] Pinniped

			Monitoring Plan [pdf] Jetty Study Plan [pdf] Outlet Channel Adaptive Mangement Plan [pdf] Biological Opinion (2008) [pdf]
2014 NSF / L-DEO Marine Seismic Survey in Atlantic Ocean off New Jersey	IHA Application [pdf]	Draft EA [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA: Open for Comment through 04/16/2014
2014 Furie Operating Alaska LLC Seismic Survey in Cook Inlet	IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA: Open for Comment through 04/03/2014
2014 San Nicolas Island, CA, Roads and Airfield Repairs Project	IHA Application [pdf]	EA [pdf]	FRN
2014 St. George Reef Lighthouse Preservation Society Restoration Project in Del Norte, CA	IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2011- 14 Cape Wind Associates' High Resolution Geophysical Survey in Nantucket Sound, MA	2014 IHA Application [pdf] 2013 Issued IHA [pdf] 2013 IHA Renewal Application [pdf] 2011 IHA Application [pdf] [1.8 MB]	EA (2011) [pdf] FONSI (2011) [pdf]	2014 Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA 2013 Federal Register Notice of Issuance 2013 Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA Monitoring Plan (2012) [pdf] Comments Received on 2011 Proposed IHA [pdf] [1.3 MB] 2011 Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA [pdf]

2015-2020 Navy's Mariana Islands Training and Testing (MITT)	LOA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Proposed Rule Federal Register Notice of Receipt
2014 U.S. Navy Northwest Training and Testing Activities	LOA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2014-2015 Rockaway Delivery Lateral Project off New York	IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2014 NSF Marine Low-Energy Seismic Survey off the Antarctic East Coast	Issued IHA [pdf] Revised IHA Application [pdf] Addendum to IHA Application [pdf] Original IHA Application [pdf]	Revised IEE/EA [pdf] Initial Environmental Evaluation/ Environmental Assessment (IEE/EA) [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Issuance Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2014 Apache Alaska Corp. Seismic Survey in Cook Inlet Alaska	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Issuance Comments Received [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2014-5 WSDOT Bremerton Ferry Terminal Wingwall Replacement Project	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]	EA [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Issuance Comments from MMC [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2013-4 WSDOT Mukilteo Ferry Terminal Construction Work	IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2014-2019 U.S. Navy Target and Missile Launch Activities at San Nicolas Island, CA	LOA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2013-4 Northeast Gateway LNG Port	IHA Application [pdf]	EIS [pdf]	Marine Mammal Monitoring and

Operations and Maintenance/ Repair			Mitigation Plan [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2014-2015 Point Blue Seabird and Pinniped Research Activities in Central California	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA 2011-2012 Monitoring Report [pdf]
2013-2014 UCSC PISCO Rocky Intertidal Monitoring	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]		Comments Received [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2013-4 CALTRANS San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge East Span Seismic Safety Project	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Renewal Application memo [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Issuance Marine Mammal Monitoring Report: Foundation C3 Demolition [pdf] Marine Mammal Monitoring Report: Vibratory Driving of Temporary Test Piles [pdf]
2013-4 Naval Base Kitsap Pier 6 Pile Replacement	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application (Revised) [pdf]	EA [pdf] FONSI [pdf] Draft EA [pdf]	Comments Received [pdf] Adoption Memo [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Issuance Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA References Cited
2013-4 Wharf Recapitalization Project at Naval Station Mayport, FL	IHA Application [pdf]	Draft EA [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA Monitoring Plan [pdf] References [pdf]
2014-2019 VAFB	IOA Application	FA	Federal Register

<p>2011-2012 VTB Launch and Harbor Maintenance Activities</p>	<p>IHA Application [pdf]</p>	<p>EA [pdf] FONSI [pdf]</p>	<p>Federal Register Notice of Issuance Comments Received [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed LOA</p>
<p>2013 SAE Marine Seismic Survey in the Beaufort Sea, AK</p>	<p>IHA Application [pdf]</p>		<p>Correction to FR Notice Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA</p>
<p>2013 TGS 2D seismic survey in the Chukchi Sea, AK</p>	<p>Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]</p>	<p>EA [pdf] FONSI [pdf]</p>	<p>Federal Register Notice of Issuance Biological Opinion [pdf] Public Comments Received [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA Plan of Cooperation [pdf] [31.8 MB] Marine Mammal Monitoring and Mitigation Plan [pdf]</p>
<p>2012-3 Testing AN/AQS-20A Mine Reconnaissance Sonar System in the Navy's NSWC PCD Testing Range</p>	<p>Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Renewal Application [pdf] 2012 IHA Application [pdf] [1.5 MB]</p>	<p>EA (Aug 2012) [pdf] EA (Jan 2012) [pdf] [2.7 MB]</p>	<p>Federal Register Notice of Issuance Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA Mission Activities Report [pdf] Species Monitoring Report [pdf]</p>
<p>2013 Scripps Institution of Oceanography's low-energy marine geophysical survey in the tropical western Pacific</p>	<p>Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]</p>	<p>Environmental Analysis (Draft) [pdf]</p>	<p>Federal Register Notice of Issuance Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA</p>

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2013 Maritime Strike Operations at Eglin Air Force Base	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Issuance Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA
2013 Naval Base Point Loma Fuel Pier Replacement Project	Final IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]	EA [pdf] FONSI [pdf] Draft EA [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Issuance Adoption Memo [pdf] Final Monitoring Plan [pdf] Comments from Marine Mammal Commission [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA References/Literature Cited [pdf]
2013 Naval Base Kitsap Bangor Barge Mooring Project	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]	EA [pdf] FONSI [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Issuance Comments from Marine Mammal Commission [pdf] Adoption Memo [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA References/Literature Cited [pdf]
2013 Naval Base Kitsap Bangor Wharf Construction Project (Year 2)	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]	Record of Decision (ROD) [pdf] Decision Memo [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Issuance Incidental Take Statement (ITS) [pdf] Comments from Marine Mammal Commission [pdf] References/

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2013 Shell Marine Seismic Survey in the Chukchi Sea, AK	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]	EA [pdf] FONSI [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Issuance Comments Received [pdf] Biological Opinion [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA Peer Review [pdf]
2013-4 City of San Diego's demolition and construction activities at the Children's Pool Lifeguard Station in La Jolla, CA	IHA Renewal Request [pdf] Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]	EA [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA Renewal; open for comment through 03/13/2014 2013 Federal Register Notice of Issuance Comments Received [pdf] Federal Register Notice of Proposed IHA BCME [pdf] Monitoring Plan (Draft) [pdf] Maps of Construction and Haul Out Sites [pdf]

2013 NMFS SWFSC's Fisheries and Ecosystem Research Activities	LOA Application [pdf]	Draft EA [pdf]	Federal Register Notice of Receipt Federal Register Notice of Availability of Draft EA
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2014-2019 U.S. Marine Corps Training Activities in Pamlico Sound, NC	LOA Application [pdf]		
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2013-4 Conoco Phillips Chukchi Sea Exploratory Drilling Program	IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register notice of withdrawal Plan of Cooperation [pdf] Federal Register notice of proposed IHA
2013 Bremerton Ferry Terminal Construction by the Washington State Department of Transportation	Issued IHA [pdf] IHA Application [pdf]		Federal Register Notice of Issuance Federal Register notice of proposed IHA
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