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SPECIAL PERMIT

ISSUED TO: Mr. Ed Bangs, Wolf Reintroduction Coordinator
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Ecological Services
100 N. Park, Suite 320
Helena, MT 59601

PURPOSE: To reintroduce gray wolves into central Idaho by releasing wild wolves captured in Canada. A maximum of 15 wolves will be released in central Idaho for up to 5 years, or until 2 breeding pairs are each documented to produce 2 or more pups that survive until 31 December of that year for 2 consecutive years. The ultimate goal is to establish a population of breeding, wild wolves in central Idaho and to allow the population to increase by natural reproduction to the point that gray wolves can be removed from the endangered species list in Idaho.

SPECIES: Gray wolf (*Canis lupus*).

- PROVISIONS:**
1. The permittee is authorized to release, in central Idaho, a maximum of 15 wild gray wolves captured in British Columbia or Alberta, Canada during the effective period.
 2. The actual release site(s) will be jointly agreed upon by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and Idaho Department of Fish and Game.
 3. Wolves released in Idaho must have been captured from an area in British Columbia or Alberta, Canada, that is certified by Canadian health officials to be free of the rabies virus.
 4. Releases will occur between 1 December and 31 May, or as otherwise approved by the Director of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.
 5. Releases are to occur in accordance with the Idaho wolf management plan.

SUBPERMITTEES: Dr. Steve Fritts, (USFWS, Helena, Montana) and those designated in writing to the Department by the Permittee.

EFFECTIVE PERIOD: 1 December 1994 - 31 May 1995.

IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME
Jerry M. Conley, Director

Original signed
9/27/94
by Tom Rainer

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