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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**Marine Mammals and Endangered Species**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of permits.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that permits or permit amendments have been issued to the following entities under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) and the Endangered Species Act (ESA), as applicable.

**ADDRESSES:** The permits and related documents are available for review 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.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shasta McClenahan (Permit Nos. **23023**, **23169**, and **23467**) and Sara Young (Permit No. **22677**); at (301) 427-8401.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notices were published in the *Federal Register* on the dates listed below that requests for a permit or permit amendment had been submitted by the below-named applicants. To locate the *Federal Register* notice that announced our receipt of the application and a complete description of the research, go to [www.federalregister.gov](http://www.federalregister.gov) and search on the permit number provided in the table below.

Permit No.	RIN	Applicant	Previous Federal Register Notice	Permit or Amendment Issuance Date
22677	0648–XR039	NMFS Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center, 1845 WASP Blvd., Building 176, Honolulu, HI 96818 (Responsible Party: Charles Littnan)	84 FR 57016; October 24, 2019	December 18, 2019
23023	0648–XR046	Robert Wayne, University of California, Los Angeles, 610 Charles E. Young Drive East, Los Angeles, CA 90095	84 FR 61025; November 12, 2019	December 13, 2019
23169	0648–XR047	Red Rock Films, 625 Sligo Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (Responsible Party: Brian Armstrong)	84 FR 57403; October 25, 2019	December 9, 2019
23467	0648–XR064	Sarah Conner, Wild Space Productions, St. Stephens House, Colston Avenue, Bristol, BS1 4ST, United Kingdom	84 FR 61025; November 12, 2019	December 19, 2019

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activities proposed for Permit Nos. 23023, 23169, and 23467 are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement. For Permit No. 22677, NMFS has determined that the activities proposed are consistent with the Preferred Alternative in the Final Hawaiian Monk Seal Recovery Actions Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (NMFS 2014), and that issuance of the permit would not have a significant adverse impact on the human environment.

As required by the ESA, as applicable, issuance of these permit was based on a finding that such permits: (1) were applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in Section 2 of the ESA.

**AUTHORITY:** The requested permits have been issued under 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 (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226), as applicable.

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