Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument
CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT Permit Application

NOTE: ***This Permit Application (and associated Instructions) is to propose activities to be conducted in the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument. The Co-Trustees are required to determine that issuing the requested permit is compatible with the findings of Presidential Proclamation 8031. Within this Application, provide all information that you believe will assist the Co-Trustees in determining how your proposed activities are compatible with the conservation and management of the natural, historic, and cultural resources of the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument (Monument).***

ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Any or all of the information within this application may be posted to the Monument website informing the public on projects proposed to occur in the Monument.

- In addition to the permit application, the Applicant must either download the Monument Compliance Information Sheet from the Monument website OR request a hard copy from the Monument Permit Coordinator (contact information below). The Monument Compliance Information Sheet must be submitted to the Monument Permit Coordinator after initial application consultation.

- Issuance of a Monument permit is dependent upon the completion and review of the application and Compliance Information Sheet.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED
Send Permit Applications to:
Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument Permit Coordinator
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Honolulu, HI 96825
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Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument
Permit Application Cover Sheet

This Permit Application Cover Sheet is intended to provide summary information and status to the public on permit applications for activities proposed to be conducted in the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument. While a permit application has been received, it has not been fully reviewed nor approved by the Monument Management Board to date. The Monument permit process also ensures that all environmental reviews are conducted prior to the issuance of a Monument permit.

Summary Information
Applicant Name: Barry Stieglitz, David Swatland, Maria Carnevale
Affiliation: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), State of Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR)

Permit Category: Conservation and Management
Proposed Activity Dates: January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014
Proposed Method of Entry (Vessel/Plane): Vessel and plane
Proposed Locations:
This permit application encompasses all conservation and management activities that the Co-Trustee representatives may conduct throughout the entire Monument.

Estimated number of individuals (including Applicant) to be covered under this permit:
Variable, depending on activity type and location.

Estimated number of days in the Monument:
There will be Monument staff in the Monument 365 days of the year. Numbers of personnel will fluctuate depending upon the season and the management activity undertaken at any one time.

Description of proposed activities: (complete these sentences):

a.) The proposed activity would…
This Monument Conservation and Management Permit Application proposes activities that would allow the Co-Trustee Representatives of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the State of Hawai'i Department of Land and Natural Resources to conduct management activities for the conservation and management of Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument including the Hawaiian Islands National Wildlife Refuge, Midway Atoll National Wildlife Refuge, Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Coral Reef Ecosystem Reserve, Northwestern Hawaiian Islands State Marine Refuge, and Kure Atoll State Seabird Sanctuary.

b.) To accomplish this activity we would ....

To accomplish the conservation and management of this ecosystem the Co-Trustees would carry out authorized activities associated with the following:

1. General operations to support field activities, which includes field camp, vessel, and flight operations

2. Resource survey and monitoring, which includes evaluating status and trends of target species and habitats

3. Natural resource protection, restoration, and remediation, which includes predator and invasive species control, as well as marine debris removal

4. Cultural and historic resource identification, evaluation, monitoring, access and protection

5. Education and outreach

c.) This activity would help the Monument by ...

These activities would benefit the Monument by providing coordinated interagency management of Monument ecosystems, prevent duplicate efforts, and gain efficiencies.

Other information or background:

A conservation and management permit of this nature has been issued annually, pending a stringent review process, to the Monument Co-Trustee agencies since 2008 for the purpose of conducting cooperative and effective management of Monument resources. For example, the NOAA NMFS PIFSC Marine Turtle Research Program has worked successfully within the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Hawaiian Islands National Wildlife Refuge for 40 consecutive seasons, resulting in great success for the species. Such collaborative work would benefit other Monument programs.