

## Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Marine National Monument Permit Application

**NOTE: This Permit Application (and associated Instructions) are for activities to be conducted in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Marine National Monument, including Hawaiian Islands National Wildlife Refuge, the Midway Atoll National Wildlife Refuge, Battle of Midway National Memorial, Northwestern Hawaiian Islands State Marine Refuge, Kure Atoll Hawaii State Seabird Sanctuary, and the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Coral Reef Ecosystem Reserve. The Co-Trustees are required to determine that issuing the requested permit is compatible with the findings of Presidential Proclamation 8031. Within this Application, please 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, historical and cultural resources of the NWHI Marine National Monument (Monument).**

### Summary Information

**Applicant name:**

**Permit categories:**

- Research – Please fill out Sections A-D (as applicable) and Appendix A
- Conservation and Management - Please fill out Sections A-D (as applicable) and Appendix A
- Education - Please fill out Sections A-D (as applicable) and Appendix B
- Native Hawaiian Practices - Please fill out Sections A-D (as applicable) and Appendix C
- Recreation (Midway ONLY) - Please fill out Sections A-D (as applicable) and Appendix D
- Special Ocean Use - Please fill out Sections A-D (as applicable) and Appendix E

**Briefly describe permit activity:**

- This application is for a RENEWAL of an existing permitted project.
- This application is for a NEW project.

**When will the activity take place?**

From: Sept 07 To: Oct 07

**NOTE: INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED**

Please Send Permit Applications to:  
NWHI Marine National Monument Permit Coordinator  
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Honolulu, HI 96825  
[nwhipermit@noaa.gov](mailto:nwhipermit@noaa.gov)  
PHONE: (808) 397-2660      FAX: (808) 397-2662

**NOTE: SUBMITTAL VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL IS PREFERRED BUT NOT REQUIRED. FOR ADDITIONAL SUBMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS, PLEASE SEE PG 7.**

## **Section A - Applicant Information**

### **1. Applicant**

Name (last, first, middle initial):

Title:

### **2. Mailing address (street/P.O. box, city, state, country, zip):**

Phone:

Fax:

Email:

For students, major professor's name, telephone and email address: NA

### **3. Affiliation (institution/agency/organization directly related to the proposed project):**

SeeMore Wildlife Systems will be working with George Balasz

### **4. Additional persons to be covered by permit:**

None

## **Section B: Project Information**

### **5a. Project location(s):**

- |   |                                     |                                      |
|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nihoa Island                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Necker Island (Mokumanamana)     | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> French Frigate Shoals | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gardner Pinnacles     | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Maro Reef                        |                                     |                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laysan Island                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lisianski Island, Neva Shoal     | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pearl and Hermes Atoll           | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Midway Atoll                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kure Atoll                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Land-based | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean-based |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other                            |                                     |                                      |

NOTE: Please note there is a fee schedule for people visiting Midway Atoll National Wildlife Refuge via vessel and aircraft.

### **Location Description:**

East Island and Tern Island

### **5b. Check all applicable regulated activities proposed to be conducted in the Monument:**

- Removing, moving, taking, harvesting, possessing, injuring, disturbing, or damaging any living or nonliving monument resource
- Drilling into, dredging, or otherwise altering the submerged lands other than by anchoring a vessel; or constructing, placing, or abandoning any structure, material, or other matter on the submerged lands
- Anchoring a vessel
- Deserting a vessel aground, at anchor, or adrift
- Discharging or depositing any material or matter into the monument
- Touching coral, living or dead
- Possessing fishing gear except when stowed and not available for immediate use during passage without interruption through the monument
- Attracting any living monument resource
- Sustenance fishing (Federal waters only, outside of Special Preservation Areas, Ecological Reserves and Special Management Areas)
- Subsistence fishing (State waters only)
- Swimming, snorkeling, or closed or open circuit SCUBA diving within any Special Preservation Area or Midway Atoll Special Management Area

**6. Purpose/Need/Scope *State purpose of proposed activities:***

I will be on Tern and East Island to install and maintain remote cameras for turtle research. I would like a permit to record video while there. I would like a commercial filming permit, please. The video will be used for education nature programs. I have produces several of these and have received four Emmys. They are viewable at:  
[www.WildlifeHD.com/childrens.html](http://www.WildlifeHD.com/childrens.html) .

**7. As explained further in the instructions, please provide any 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, historical and cultural resources of the Monument:**

Any video taping will be done after our repair work is completed. I will only have one camera and one tripod. There will be no lights, cranes, or other equipment. Everything will be carried by me while on-foot. A DV copy of the footage can be made available to the Monument for its internal use upon request.

**8. Procedures:**

I will set up hand-held tripod, attach the camera and record video of wildlife and the natural environment. I will not disturb animals, and I will not approach or disturb marine mammals.

**Section C: Logistics**

**9. Other permits (list and attach documentation of all other related Federal or State permits):**

I will be working with George Balasz under his sea turtle research permit while on the island.

**9a. For each of the permits listed, please identify any permit violations or any permit that was suspended, amended, modified or revoked for cause. Please explain the circumstances surrounding the violation or permit suspension, amendment, modification or revocation.**

None that I am aware of.

**10. Funding sources (Please attach copies of your budget, specific to proposed activities under this permit and include funding sources. Please see instructions for more information):**

There are no funding sources needed. I will bring my own camera equipment.

**11. Time frame:**

Activity start: Sept, 2007

Activity completion: Oct, 2007

Dates actively inside the Monument:

From: Sept, 2007

To: Oct, 2007

Please describe any limiting factors in declaring specific dates of the proposed activity at the time of application:

None

**Personnel schedule in the Monument:**

I will be on the island with George Balasz to repair the remote camera system. Any video taping work will occur only after the work is complete.

**12. Please indicate (with attached documentation) what insurance policies, bonding coverage, and/or financial resources are in place to pay for or reimburse the Monument trustees for the necessary search and rescue, evacuation, and/or removal of any or all persons covered by the permit from the Monument:**

My company has a \$1,000,000 liability insurance policy. I will attach this to this email.

**13. Please check the appropriate box to indicate how personnel will enter the Monument:**

- Vessel  
 Aircraft

**Provide Vessel and Aircraft information:**

We will arrive for work on George Balasz's project on a NOAA vessel.

**14. What certifications/inspections do you have scheduled for your vessel? Please fill in scheduled date (attach documentation):**

- Rodent free, Date:  
 Tender vessel, Date:  
 Ballast water, Date:  
 Gear/equipment, Date:  
 Hull inspection, Date:

**15. Vessel information (NOTE: if you are traveling aboard a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration vessel, skip this question):**

Vessel name: NOAA

Vessel owner:

Captain's name:

IMO#:

Vessel ID#:

Flag:

Vessel type:

Call sign:

Embarkation port:

Last port vessel will have been at prior to this embarkation:

Length:

Gross tonnage:

Total ballast water capacity volume (m3):

Total number of ballast water tanks on ship:

Total fuel capacity:

Total number of fuel tanks on ship:

Marine Sanitation Device:

Type :

How will you comply with the 'No Discharge' regulations stipulated in Presidential Proclamation 8031? Describe in detail. If applicable, please attach schematics of the vessel's discharge and treatment systems: There will be no additional discharge.

Other fuel/hazardous materials to be carried on board and amounts: None

Please provide proof of a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office of Law Enforcement-approved Vessel Monitoring System (VMS). Please provide the name and contact information of the contractor responsible for installing the VMS system. Please also describe unit name and type:

VMS Email:

Inmarsat ID#:

#### **16. Tender information:**

On what workboats (tenders) will personnel, gear and materials be transported within the Monument? Please list the number of tenders/skiffs aboard and specific types of motors: There will be no additional workboats used for video taping. No special trips will be made for any video tape work.

## **Section D: Additional Information for Land Based Operations**

### **17. Proposed movement of personnel, gear, materials, and, if applicable, samples:**

I will walk with a camera and tripod to record video of wildlife. All equipment will be carried by hand/back in one trip.

### **18. Room and board requirements on island:**

No additional rooms are required.

### **19. Work space needs:**

No additional work space is needed.

With knowledge of the penalties for false or incomplete statements, as provided by 18 U.S.C. 1001, and for perjury, as provided by 18 U.S.C. 1621, I hereby certify to the best of my abilities under penalty of perjury of that the information I have provided on this application form is true and correct.

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Signature

Date

### **PLEASE SEND ONE SIGNED APPLICATION VIA MAIL TO THE MONUMENT OFFICE BELOW:**

NWHI Marine National Monument Permit Coordinator  
6600 Kalaniana'ole Hwy. # 300  
Honolulu, HI 96825  
FAX: (808) 397-2662

### **DID YOU INCLUDE THESE?**

- Applicant CV/Resume/Biography
- Electronic and Hard Copy of Application with Signature
- Map(s) or GPS point(s) of Project Location(s), if applicable
- Funding Proposal(s)
- Funding and Award Documentation, if already received
- Documentation of Insurance, if already received
- Documentation of Inspections
- Documentation of all required Federal and State Permits or applications for permits
- Statement of information you wish to be kept confidential

## **Appendix A: Research OR Conservation and Management Application**

**NOTE: If land or marine archeological activities are involved, please contact the Monument Permit Coordinator at the address on the general application form before proceeding, as a customized application will be needed. For more information, please contact the Monument office on the first page of this application.**

**1a. Collection of specimens - collecting activities (would apply to any activity): organisms or objects (List of species, if applicable, attach additional sheets if necessary):**

Common name:

Scientific name:

# & size of specimens:

Collection location:

Whole Organism  Partial Organism

**1b. What will be done with the specimens after the project has ended?**

**1c. Will the organisms be kept alive after collection?**  Yes  No

• Specific site/location:

• Is it an open or closed system?  Open  Closed

• Is there an outfall?  Yes  No

• Will these organisms be housed with other organisms? If so, what are the other organisms?

• Will organisms be released?

**2. If applicable, how will the collected samples or specimens be transported out of the Monument?**

**3. Describe collaborative activities to share samples, reduce duplicative sampling, or duplicative research:**

**4a. Gear and materials:**

**4b. Please list all Hazardous Materials you propose to take to and use within the Monument:**

**5. Fixed installations and instrumentation:**

**6. Provide a time line for sample analysis, data analysis, write-up and publication of information:**

**7. List all publications directly related to the proposed project:**

**DID YOU INCLUDE THESE?**

Material Safety Data Sheets for Hazardous Materials

## **Appendix B: Education Application**

**1. Are you collaborating with others in any way to reduce duplicative activities in the Monument or elsewhere?**

**2. Gear and materials:**

**3. Fixed installations and instrumentation:**

**4. Is your proposed activity based on a State Department of Education Standards Based Curriculum? If so, please describe:**

**5. What materials, products or deliverables will be developed as a result of your proposed activity? Provide a time line for write-up and publication of information or production of educational materials:**

**6. List all publications/references directly related to the proposed project:**

**7a. Collection of specimens - collecting activities (would apply to any activity): organisms or objects (List of species, if applicable, attach additional sheets if necessary):**

Common name:

Scientific name:

# & size of specimens:

Collection location:

Whole Organism  Partial Organism

**7b. What will be done with the specimens after the project has ended?**

**7c. Will the organisms be kept alive after collection?**  Yes  No

• Specific site/location:

• Is it an open or closed system?  Open  Closed

• Is there an outfall?  Yes  No

• Will these organisms be housed with other organisms? If so, what are the other organisms?

• Will organisms be released?

**8. If applicable, how will the collected samples be transported out of the Monument?**

### **Appendix C: Native Hawaiian Practices Application**

**1. Please state how the purpose and intent of the activity are appropriate and deemed necessary by traditional standards in the Native Hawaiian culture (pono), and demonstrate an understanding of, and background in, the traditional practice, and its associated values and protocols:**

**2. Please state how the activity benefits the resources of the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands and the Native Hawaiian community:**

**3. Please state how the activity supports or advances the perpetuation of traditional knowledge and ancestral connections of Native Hawaiians to the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands:**

**4. Will you be collecting any Monument resource?  Yes  No**  
**If so, please provide the following information:**

**4a. Collection of specimens - collecting activities (would apply to any activity): organisms or objects (List of species, if applicable, attach additional sheets if necessary):**

Common name and/or Scientific name:

# & size of specimens:

Collection location:

Whole Organism  Partial Organism

**4b. What will be done with the specimens after the Native Hawaiian cultural practice is complete?**

**4c. Will organisms be kept alive after collection?  Yes  No**

• Specific site/location:

• Is it an open or closed system?  Open  Closed

• Is there an outfall?  Yes  No

• Will these organisms be housed with other organisms? If so, what are the other organisms?

• Will organisms be released?

**NOTE: Any Monument resource harvested from the Monument for the purpose of Native Hawaiian practices will be consumed in the Monument.**

**5. Are you collaborating with others in any way to reduce duplicative activities in the Monument or elsewhere?**

**6. Gear and materials:**

**7. Will you erect any Native Hawaiian cultural structures or leave any offerings in the Monument?**  Yes  No

**If so, please describe:**

**8. Will you produce any publications, educational materials or other deliverables?**  
 Yes  No

**Provide a time line for write-up and publication of information or production of materials:**

**Appendix D: Recreation Application**

For Activities in the Midway Atoll Special Management Area Only

**1. Please explain how the activity is for the purpose of recreation as defined: An activity conducted for personal enjoyment that does not result in the extraction of Monument resources and that does not involve a fee-for-service transaction:**

**2. Other Associated Monument Permits:**

**3. Gear and materials:**

**4. Fixed installations and instrumentation:**

## **Appendix E: Special Ocean Use Application**

**NOTE: If this is a first time Special Ocean Use activity, it will be subject to a pilot project.**

**1. Please provide proof of general liability insurance, or indicate that you will be posting an equivalent bond against claims arising out of activities conducted under the permit:**

Yes. This is attached to this email

**2. Are you collaborating with others in any way to reduce duplicative activities in the Monument or elsewhere?**

Yes. I will be on the island to repair the remote camera system. There will be no additional trips or personell needed.

**3. Gear and materials:**

I will bring a camera, tripod, batteries, and video tapes.

**4. Fixed installations and instrumentation:**

NONE.

**5. List all publications directly related to the proposed project:**

A list of education wildlife programs is on the following website. These are also listed on my resume (attached). Please see: [www.wildlifeHD.com/childrens.html](http://www.wildlifeHD.com/childrens.html)

For projects occurring with the Midway Atoll Special Management Area answer the following questions:

**6. Please explain how your activity has been found compatible with the purposes for which the Midway Atoll National Wildlife Refuge was designated?**

NA

**7. Please explain how your activity meets the requirement of furthering conservation and management of the Monument:**

NA

For projects occurring outside of the Midway Atoll Special Management Area answer the following questions:

**8. Please explain how the proposed activity will directly benefit the conservation and management of the Monument:**

The video programs will provide natural history interpretation of Monument's resouces for people of all ages. We particularary work to create programing about conservationg for young people.

**9. Please explain how the purpose of the proposed activity is for research and education related to resources or qualities of the Monument:**

This project is not research-related. It will, however be of educational value as we hope to capture and interpret the richenes of the Monuments natural resouces on video tape and present these to a wide audience via television and the Internet.

**NOTE: SPECIAL OCEAN USE PERMITS OUTSIDE THE MIDWAY ATOLL SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREA DO NOT ALLOW THE USE OF A COMMERCIAL PASSENGER VESSEL. A commercial passenger vessel is defined by the monument regulations as a vessel that carries individuals who have paid for such carriage.**