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available pursuant to the initial adverse determination (in cases of partial denials).

§ 701.206 Time limit for WRC final determinations regarding requests for information appealed by the requester from an initial adverse determination.

The Director shall make a final determination with respect to any appeal within twenty (20) working days after receipt of such appeal. If the initial adverse determination is in whole or in part upheld by the Director, the requester shall be notified of the final adverse determination and the provisions for judicial review of that determination as stated in the Freedom of Information Act, as amended (see 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(4) *et seq.*; as amended by Pub. L. 93-502).

§ 701.207 Extension of time limits for WRC initial and final determinations.

(a) In unusual circumstances, as specified in this section, the time limits prescribed in either § 701.203 or § 701.204 may be extended by written notice from the responsible WRC official (i.e., the Public Information Officer in instances of initial requests and the Director in instances of appeals) to the requester setting forth the reasons for such extension and the date on which a determination is expected to be dispatched. No such notice shall specify a date that would result in an extension for more than ten (10) working days, and in no event shall the total extended time exceed ten (10) working days with respect to a particular request.

(b) As used in this section, *unusual circumstances* means, but only to the extent reasonably necessary to the proper processing of the particular request:

(1) The need to search for and collect the requested records from field facilities or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the request;

(2) The need to search for, collect, and appropriately examine a voluminous amount of separate and distinct records which are demanded in a single request; or

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(3) The need for consultation, which shall be conducted with all practicable speed, with another agency having a substantial interest in the determination of the request or among two or more components of the agency having substantial subject-matter interest therein.

§ 701.208 WRC petition for judicial extension of time.

The provisions of § 701.206 notwithstanding, the Director may petition for judicial extension of time when exceptional circumstances warrant such action.

§ 701.209 River basin commissions and field committees.

(a) River basin commissions established pursuant to Title II of the Water Resources Planning Act are encouraged to establish, pursuant to section 205(c) of that Act, procedures for public availability of information that are consistent with 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, and this subpart.

(b) Field committees will be governed by the procedures adopted by the lead Federal agency to implement 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended; except that if the lead agency of a field committee is a non-Federal entity, the standards of this subpart shall apply.

(c) Requests for documents and informational materials may be made to the chairmen of the field committees and river basin commissions at the following addresses.

(1) River Basin Commissions:

Great Lakes Basin Commission, P.O. Box 999, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48106;

New England River Basins Commission, 55 Court Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02108; Ohio River Basin Commission, 36 East 4th Street, Suite 208-220, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202;

Pacific Northwest River Basins Commission, P.O. Box 908, Vancouver, Washington 98660; Upper Mississippi River Basin Commission, Federal Office Building, Room 510, Fort Snelling, Twin Cities, Minnesota 55111;

Missouri River Basin Commission, 10050 Regency Circle, Suite 403 Omaha, Nebraska 68114.

(2) Field Committees:

Arkansas-White-Red Inter-Agency Committee, Room 4030, Federal Building, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87101;

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Pacific Southwest Inter-Agency Committee,
630 Sansome Street, Room 1216, San Fran-
cisco, California 94111;

Southeast Basins Inter-Agency Committee,
402 New Walton Building, Atlanta, Georgia
30303.

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Subpart E—Protection of Privacy

AUTHORITY: Sec. 402, Water Resources
Planning Act of 1965 (Sec. 402, Pub. L. 89-80;
79 Stat. 254, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1962d-1))
and the Privacy Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-579; 88
Stat. 1896 (5 U.S.C. 552a)).

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otherwise noted.

§ 701.300 Purpose and scope.

(a) The purpose of this subpart is to
set forth rules to inform the public
about information maintained by the
U.S. Water Resources Council relating
to identifiable individuals and to in-
form those individuals how they may
gain access to and correct or amend in-
formation about themselves.

(b) The regulations in this subpart
implement the requirements of the Pri-
vacy Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-579; 88 Stat.
1896 (5 U.S.C. 552a)).

(c) The regulations in this subpart
apply only to records disclosed or re-
quested under the Privacy Act of 1974,
and not requests for information made
pursuant to the Freedom of Informa-
tion Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552, as
amended by Pub. L. 93-502).

§ 701.301 Definitions.

For the purposes of this subpart, un-
less otherwise required by the context:

(a) *Council* means the U.S. Water Re-
sources Council;

(b) *Individual* means a citizen of the
United States or an alien lawfully ad-
mitted for permanent resident;

(c) *Maintain* means maintain, collect,
use or disseminate;

(d) *Record* means any item, collec-
tion, or grouping of information about
an individual that is maintained by the
Council, including, but not limited to,
his education, financial transactions,
medical history and criminal or em-
ployment history, and that contains
his name, or the identifying number,
symbol, or other identifying particular

assigned to the individual, such as a
finger or voice print or a photograph;

(e) *Adverse determination* means a de-
cision by the proper Council official to
deny, in whole or in part, a request
from an individual for a correction or
amendment of a record concerning the
individual and maintained by the
Council; and

(f) *Record system* means *system of
records* as defined in the Act, i.e., a
group of any records under the control
of the Council from which information
is retrieved by the name of the indi-
vidual or by some identifying par-
ticular assigned to the individual.

§ 701.302 Procedures for notification of existence of records pertaining to individuals.

(a) The systems of records, as defined
in the Privacy Act of 1974, maintained
by the Council are listed annually in
the FEDERAL REGISTER as required by
that Act. Any individual may request
the Council to inform him or her
whether a particular record system
named by the individual contains a
record pertaining to him or her. The
request may be made in person during
business hours or in writing at the lo-
cation and to the person specified in
the notice describing that record sys-
tem.

(b) An individual who believes that
the Council maintains records per-
taining to him or her but who cannot
determine which records system con-
tains those records, may request assist-
ance by mail or in person at the Divi-
sion of Program Coordination and Man-
agement, 2120 L Street, NW., Wash-
ington, DC 20037, during business hours
(8:00 A.M. through 4:30 P.M., Monday
through Friday, excluding legal holi-
days).

(c) The Council will attempt to re-
spond to a request as to whether a
record exists within 10 working days
from the time it receives the request or
to inform the requestor of the need for
additional time or additional informa-
tion within 10 working days. If a re-
quest is complied with within 10 work-
ing days, no separate acknowledgment
will be made.

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