

can be raised to maintain wetland hydrology in the basin. When the basin has filled with sediment, larger trees will become established on most of the 136 acres that are now in grass, trees, crops or open water.

The long term effect on wetlands is not significant. During construction and during the period of time that the basin is filling, there will not be a significant adverse impact on wetlands. Some areas will gradually shift from one wetland vegetation type to another. Also over time some areas that are now upland mixed hardwoods will change to wooded wetlands. This will have the positive effect of adding diversity to the area. The ability to control the draw down, duration, and timing, offered by the water control feature in the structure will enable some management of water levels for optimum use by waterfowl and other wetland species. It will also facilitate management of problem plant species.

No threatened and endangered species habitat will be affected.

Mitigation Features: Contractors will be required to comply with local, state, and federal environmental protection standards, and to take measures to control sediment and erosion related to construction.

Negative environmental impacts have been avoided or minimized to the point that they are not significant. Two acres of upland woods will be cleared to build this project. One acre will be needed for the construction site and the second acre will be cleared during the building of the access road to the site. This loss will be mitigated by the replanting of the construction site to trees after construction is complete. The second acre will be mitigated by planting one acre of pasture or cropland that is within the basin to hardwoods.

Alternatives

The planned action is the most practical means of reducing the sedimentation to Lake Carlinsville. Since no significant adverse environmental impacts will result from the installation of the measures, the no-project alternative was the only other alternative considered.

Consultation and Public Participation

On January 1990, the Macoupin County Soil and Water Conservation District received a request from the City of Carlinsville for assistance in developing a resource plan for Lake Carlinsville and its watershed. To initiate such a plan, the Soil and Water Conservation District appointed a committee of concerned citizens to help provide guidance during the planning

process. The planning committee met on April 24, 1990 and developed a list of resource concerns for the watershed. These included:

1. Future water supply
2. Soil erosion
3. Water quality of the lake
4. Impact of above on lake use and recreation facilities

The planning committee appointed a technical advisory committee to inventory and evaluate the identified resource concerns in the watershed. Agencies represented on the technical advisory committee include:

- Illinois Department of Natural Resources
- Macoupin Soil and Water Conservation District
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Illinois Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Soil Conservation

The technical advisory committee provided their reports to the planning committee and a resource plan was developed and presented to the planning committee in May of 1990. At this time, the planning committee selected the sediment retention structure to be included in the plan of work.

A resource plan was completed in August, 1990 and reviewed with the planning committee.

In July, 1990, a pre-authorization planning meeting was held with key individuals from NRCS. At this time, various activities were identified with a timetable for completion. In July, 1990, a standard form application was completed for federal assistance.

The plan of work was completed in October, 1993. This plan of work was prepared to show time, cost and schedules to complete the watershed work plan through to authorization for installation.

It is the opinion of the planning committee that there is evidence of ample need and overall interest in this project.

On June 22, 1994 an inter-agency meeting was held to discuss environmental concerns with IDNR, USFWS, IEPA, USDA/FS, Macoupin County SWCD, and the field area, and state office staff of the NRCS.

The committee sponsored an informational public meeting on June 22, 1994 to review project plans for a sediment basin in the upper end of the lake.

The planning committee continues to meet monthly.

Conclusion

The Environmental Assessment summarized above indicates that this Federal action will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. Therefore, based on the above findings, I have determined that an environmental impact statement for the Lake Carlinsville Watershed Plan is not required.

Thomas W. Christensen,
State Conservationist.

Dated: November 21, 1995.

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Bureau of the Census; Survey of Building and Zoning Permit Systems; Proposed Agency Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 29, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Gerald Taché, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Linda Hoyle, Manufacturing and Construction Division, Bureau of the Census, Room 2105-FOB 4, Washington, DC 20233-6900, phone number (301) 457-1321.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of the Census uses this form to collect information from state and local building permit officials. We need this information to update the universe of permit-issuing places, the sampling frame for the Building Permits Survey (BPS). The BPS provides widely used measures of construction activity, including the economic indicator *Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits*.

II. Method of Collection

We collect this information by mail.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0350.

Form Number: C-411.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: State and Local

Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,000 per year.

Estimated Time Per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 500 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The total cost in fiscal year 1996 of the Building Permits Survey is \$2,067,000 all borne by the Bureau of the Census. The cost to the respondents is estimated to be \$7,335 based on an average hourly salary of \$14.67¹ for state and local government employees.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 22, 1995.

Gerald Taché,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Bureau of the Census; Survey of Environmental Products and Services; Proposed Agency Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to conduct a survey of environmental products and services. This data collection will provide a benchmark for measuring shipments of goods and the revenues for services that define an environmental industry. The survey forms will collect data on the value of products and services provided in 1995 for measuring, preventing, limiting or correcting environmental damage. The survey will also collect value of shipments and services which were exported. The survey results will be used to determine potential product and service classifications in the 1997 Economic Censuses. The survey results will also be used for monitoring and promoting the growth of the environmental industry.

II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau will use mail out/mail back survey forms to collect the data. Companies will be asked to respond to the survey within 30 days of the initial mailing. Letters encouraging participation will be mailed to companies that have not responded by the designated time.

III. Data

OMB Number: Not assigned

Form Number: EPS-1, EPS-2.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Businesses or other non-profit organizations that produce goods or provide services.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 20,000 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$625,000.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and the cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Dated: November 22, 1995.

Gerald Taché,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Bureau of the Census

The Census Advisory Committee (CAC) on the African American Population; et al.; Notice of Public Meetings

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463 as amended by P.L. 94-409, P.L. 96-523, and P.L. 97-375), we are giving notice of a joint meeting followed by separate and jointly held (described below) meetings of the CAC on the African American Population, the CAC on the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, the CAC on the Asian and Pacific Islander Populations, and the CAC on the Hispanic Population. The joint meeting will convene on December 11-13, 1995 at the Doubletree Hotel, 1515 Rhode Island Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005.

Each of these Committees is composed of nine members appointed by the Secretary of Commerce. They provide an organized and continuing channel of communication between the communities they represent and the Bureau of the Census on its efforts to reduce the differential in the count for the 2000 census and on ways the census data can be disseminated to maximum usefulness to their communities and other users.

The Committees will draw on past experience with the 1990 census

¹ Taken from the Census Bureau's Annual Survey of State and Local Government Employment.