

distributed to potential interested parties. Information gained will be used in the plan/EIS. No public scoping meetings will be held. All comments received will become part of the public record and copies of comments, including names, addresses and telephone numbers provided by respondents, may be released for public inspection.

The EIS and accompanying plan options will guide the management of the Cleetwood Cove parking area, trail and dock area, and will describe a range of alternatives formulated to address major issues relating to visitor use and resource management and protection. A "no action" alternative will be included; other likely alternatives could include ones with an emphasis on recreation, a natural and cultural resources emphasis and/or some balanced combination of use and resource preservation. The environmental impacts associated with each alternative will be analyzed.

The draft EIS is expected to be available for public review by the fall of 1996; the final EIS and Record of Decision are expected to be completed approximately six months later.

The responsible official is Stanley T. Albright, Field Director, Pacific West Area, National Park Service.

DATES: Written comments about the scope of issues and alternatives to be analyzed in the EIS should be received no later than August 23, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning the plan/EIS should be sent to: Superintendent, Crater Lake National Park, P.O. Box 7, Crater Lake, OR 97604-0007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Superintendent, Crater Lake National Park, at the above address or at telephone number (541) 594-2211.

Dated: July 9, 1996.

William C. Walters,

*Deputy Field Director, Pacific West Area,
National Park Service.*

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Notice of Availability of Final General Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement for Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument, Gooding and Twin Falls Counties, Idaho

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102 (2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Public Law 91-190, as amended), the National Park Service (NPS), Department of the Interior, has

prepared a Final General Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) that describes and analyzes a proposal and two alternatives for the future management, use, and development of Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument.

The Draft General Management Plan/Environmental Impact Statement for Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument was released for public review on November 17, 1995 (60 FR 222, p. 57716; 60 FR 229, p. 61270). The public review period was extended to 113 days, ending March 8, 1996 (61 FR 25, p. 4483; 61 FR 42, p. 8061). A total of 63 letters of comment were received during the review period, and a total of 60 people participated in public meetings in Hagerman, Twin Falls, and Boise, Idaho.

Because of the nature of the comments received on the Draft GMP/EIS, the Final GMP/FEIS was prepared in an abbreviated format pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 40, Part 1503.4. To substantially reduce printing costs, the full text of the draft document has not been reprinted, and the Final GMP/EIS must be used as a companion document with the draft. The Final GMP/EIS responds to public comments and includes copies of the comment letters, clarifying text changes in response to the public comments, and factual corrections. Changes made in the Final GMP/EIS (a) clarify important points regarding hunting, road and trail access, and other issues, and (b) delete services or facilities from the proposed action that can be accomplished through partnerships or the private sector and therefore will not require federal funds, further reducing costs.

Based upon the analysis contained in the Draft GMP/EIS, and taking into account all the comments received during the public review, alternative 2 remains the proposed action. As described in the Draft GMP/EIS and modified somewhat in the Final GMP/EIS, alternative 2 along with statements of the purpose and significance of the monument, management objectives, desired future conditions, management zoning, and interpretive themes constitutes the proposed General Management Plan for the monument. Alternative 2 would provide a plan for comprehensively meeting the monument's legislative mandate to provide a center for paleontological research and education, including the construction of a fully functional research center and museum. The National Park Service would perform professional research, educational, and

resource management functions as peers and partners with various persons, institutions, and organizations that would help to staff, fund, equip, and implement these functions.

Two other alternatives were examined in detail. The no-action alternative would continue the present course of action with only minor changes from existing conditions. It would provide only for basic resource stewardship and limited interpretation functions and would not meet the monument's legislative mandate. In alternative 1, the present course of action would change only as much as necessary to meet the minimum requirements of the monument's legislative mandate. A research center and museum would be built and operated at a basic level, but most research and education functions would depend on non-NPS sources.

Major impact topics assessed for the proposed action and the alternatives include natural and cultural resources (including paleontological resources), the socioeconomic environment, facilities and infrastructure, access, visitor experience, National Park Service programs, and cumulative effects.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The no-action period on this Final GMP/EIS will extend for 30 days from the date the notice of availability is published by the Environmental Protection Agency in the Federal Register. After the 30-day period, a Record of Decision is expected to be signed by NPS representatives. The responsible officials are Pacific West Area Field Director Stanley Albright, Deputy Field Director William Walters, and Superintendent Neil King.

For copies of the Final GMP/EIS or for further information, please contact: Superintendent, Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument, P.O. Box 570, 221 N. State Street, Hagerman, Idaho 83332; telephone (208) 837-4793. Copies will also be available at: Office of Public Affairs, National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC; at National Park Service, Columbia-Cascades System Support Office, 909 First Ave., Seattle, WA; and at public libraries in the Hagerman area.

Dated: July 11, 1996.

William C. Walters,

*Deputy Field Director, Pacific West Area,
National Park Service.*

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Bureau of Reclamation**Proposed Long-Term Water Service Contract Renewal; Frenchman-Cambridge and Bostwick Divisions; Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program; Nebraska and Kansas**

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Announcement of schedule for public information/scoping meetings.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to § 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) will prepare a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) on the proposed renewal of long-term water service contracts for the Frenchman-Cambridge, Frenchman Valley, Bostwick Irrigation District in Nebraska, and Kansas Bostwick No. 2 irrigation districts in the Republican River basin (Basin) in Nebraska and Kansas. Existing water service contracts begin to expire in December of 1996.

Reclamation published a notice of intent to prepare an EIS and a schedule for public information/scoping meetings in the Federal Register on February 29, 1996. The public information/scoping meetings were postponed in a notice published in the Federal Register on March 13, 1996. This notice reschedules the postponed meetings.

The purpose of the Federal action is to provide for the continued beneficial use of Federally developed water within the Basin. Reclamation is proposing to renew long-term water service contracts for the four irrigation districts in accordance with current law and policy while examining all reasonable alternatives to balance contemporary surface water needs within the Basin.

Reclamation has scheduled a series of public information/scoping meetings in connection with the development of the draft EIS. These meetings will be held in an open house format and will inform the public of the status of contract renewal, allow for public comment on the preliminary management scenarios being evaluated in the Resource Management Assessment (RMA) process, inform the public of significant issues identified to date, identify additional significant issues that should be analyzed in the draft EIS, and identify issues related to environmental justice or Indian trust assets. A draft EIS is expected to be completed and available for review and comment early in 1997. Supplementary information regarding this action can be reviewed in the February 29, 1996 Federal Register.

DATES: The schedule for the public information/scoping meetings is:

August 19, 6:30–9:30 p.m., McCook, NE, Fairgrounds Community Building

August 20, 6:30–9:30 p.m., Alma, NE, Alma Fire Hall & Community Center

August 21, 6:30–9:30 p.m., Superior, NE, Vestey Center

August 22, 6:30–9:30 p.m., Belleville, KS, Sacred Heart Center

August 23, 12:30–3:30 p.m., Manhattan, KS, Pottorf Hall in Cico Park.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Anyone interested in additional information concerning the environmental compliance or water service contract renewal processes, having suggestions regarding significant environmental issues, or having input about concerns or issues related to environmental justice or Indian trust assets should contact Ms. Judy O'Sullivan, Public Involvement Specialist, Bureau of Reclamation, Nebraska-Kansas Area Office, Post Office Box 1607, Grand Island, Nebraska 68802–1607; Telephone: (308) 389–4553.

Dated: July 15, 1996.

Robert J. Gyllenborg,

Area Manager.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY**Overseas Private Investment Corporation****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

AGENCY: Overseas Private Investment Corporation, IDCA.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), Agencies are required to publish a Notice in the Federal Register notifying the public that the Agency has prepared an information collection request for OMB review and approval and has requested public review and comment on the submission. OPIC published its first Federal Register Notice on this information collection request on May 14, 1996, in 61 FR 24329, at which time a 60-day comment period was announced. This comment period ended on July 15, 1996. No comments were received in response to this Notice. This information collection submission has now been submitted to OMB for review. Comments are again being solicited on the need for the information, its practical utility, the accuracy of the Agency's burden estimate, and on ways to minimize the

reporting burden, including automated collection techniques and uses of other forms of technology.

The proposed form under review is summarized below.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before August 19, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the subject form and the request for review submitted to OMB may be obtained from the Agency Submitting Officer. Comments on the form should be submitted to the OMB Reviewer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
OPIC Agency Submitting Officer: Lena Paulsen, Manager, Information Center, Overseas Private Investment Corporation, 1100 New York Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20527; 202/336–8565.

OMB Reviewer: Victoria Wassmer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503, 202/395–5871.

SUMMARY OF FORM UNDER REVIEW:

Type of Request: Revised form.

Title: Application for Political Risk Investment Insurance.

Form Number: OPIC–52.

Frequency of Use: Once per investor per project.

Type of Respondents: Business or other institutions (except farms); individuals.

Standard Industrial Classification Codes: All.

Description of Affected Public: U.S. companies or citizens investing overseas.

Reporting Hours: 5 hours per project.

Number of Responses: 160 per year.

Federal Cost: \$3,200 per year.

Authority for Information Collection: Sections 231, 234(a), 239(d), and 240A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

Abstract (Needs and Uses): The application is the principal document used by OPIC to determine the investor's and project's eligibility, assess the environmental impact and developmental effects of the project, measure the economic effects for the United States and the host country economy, and collect information for underwriting analysis.

Dated: July 16, 1996.

James R. Offutt,

Assistant General Counsel, Department of Legal Affairs.

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