

minutes to complete the information required. The non-commercial entries will be filed by persons less knowledgeable of the declaration form and would require approximately 15 minutes each to complete. Occasionally an entry is received that lists scientific specimens of various species of wildlife. These entries may be required to be submitted with multiple invoices, permits and other pertinent documents. This will have the effect of increasing the completion time to approximately 30 minutes. Entries filed by hunters would require less than ten minutes to complete as the Service will not, by policy, require the entry of scientific names for the species.

Annual Responses: It is estimated that 21,250 respondents will submit 4 responses for a total of 85,000 responses.

Annual Burden Hours: 21,250.

Dated: April 9, 1997.

Carolyn A. Bohan,

Acting Assistant Director—Refuges and Wildlife.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Receipt of Petition for Federal Acknowledgment of Existence as an Indian Tribe

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

This is published in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Pursuant to 25 CFR 83.9(a) (formerly 25 CFR 54.8(a)) notice is hereby given that the The People of La Junta (Jumano/Mescalero), 2111 Beverly, Odessa, Texas 79761, has filed a petition for acknowledgment by the Secretary of the Interior that the group exists as an Indian tribe. The petition was received by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) on October 3, 1996, and was signed by members of the group's governing body.

This is a notice of receipt of petition and does not constitute notice that the petition is under active consideration. Notice of active consideration will be sent by mail to the petitioner and other interested parties at the appropriate time.

Under Section 83.9(a) (formerly 54.8(d)) of the Federal regulations, interested parties may submit factual and/or legal arguments in support of or in opposition to the group's petition.

Any information submitted will be made available on the same basis as other information in the BIA's files. Such submissions will be provided to the petitioner upon receipt by the BIA. The petitioner will be provided an opportunity to respond to such submissions prior to a final determination regarding the petitioner's status.

The petition may be examined, by appointment, in the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Acknowledgment and Research, Room 3427-MIB, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240, Phone: (202) 208-3592.

Dated: April 7, 1997.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Number 1004-0157

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is announcing its intention to request renewal of existing approval to collect certain information from applicants who wish to acquire a right-of-way on public lands under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976. The information collection requirements covered by this notice are necessary to making a determination as to the reasonable level of reimbursement costs and to determine who may be entitled to an off-set against reimbursements of cost.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by June 16, 1997 to be considered.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to: Director (420), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 401LS, Washington, DC 20240.

Comments may be sent via Internet to: WoComment@WO140@attmail.com. Please include "ATTN: 1004-0157" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

Comments may be hand-delivered to the Bureau of Land Management

Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carl C. Gammon, (202) 452-7777.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 CFR 1320.12(a), BLM is required to provide 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a collection of information contained in a published current rule to solicit comments on (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. BLM will receive and analyze any comments sent in response to this notice and include them with its request for approval from the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

BLM grants rights-of-way on public lands through the authority of Title V of FLPMA (90 Stat. 2776, 43 U.S.C. 1761). Section 304(b) of FLPMA authorizes the BLM to receive payment of reasonable cost to reimburse the government for the cost of processing rights-of-way. In determining reasonable costs, BLM must consider such things as actual cost (exclusive of management overhead), the portion of cost incurred that is for the benefit of the general public rather than for the exclusive benefit of the applicant, the public service provided, and other relevant factors, to determine who may be entitled to an off-set against reimbursement of costs. The information collection requirements found at 43 CFR 2808.3 are necessary to making a determination as to the reasonable level of reimbursement pursuant to Section 304 (b) of FLPMA.

The following is an explanation of specific items of information requested pursuant to 43 CFR 2808.3: Information on the monetary value of the rights and privileges sought by the applicant is needed to determine both eligibility and, if eligible, the reasonable level of