

Basin Commission, other participants that will be involved in the study and DEIS process includes the following: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; U.S. Forest Service; U.S. Geological Survey; Natural Resource Conservation Service; and New York Department of Environmental Conservation. The Baltimore District invites potentially affected Federal, state, and local agencies, and other organizations and entities to participate in this study.

8. The DEIS is tentatively scheduled to be available for public review in April of 2000.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 20, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

Individuals who use a

telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the

information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Acting Deputy Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department, (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner, (3) is the estimate of burden accurate, (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

### Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* Title I State Plan for Vocational Rehabilitation Services and Title VI-Part C Supplemental for Supported Employment Services.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households; Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* Responses: 82; Burden Hours: 1,002,050.

*Abstract:* The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, and its implementing regulations at 34 CFR parts 361 and 363 require each of the 82 State vocational rehabilitation agencies to submit a three-year State plan for vocational rehabilitation services and a supplement to the plan for supported employment services. Program funding is contingent on Departmental approval of the plan and its supplement.

Dated: February 11, 1998.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Public Hearings on a Comprehensive National Energy Strategy

**AGENCY:** Office of Policy and International Affairs, U.S. Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearing.

**SUMMARY:** On January 15, 1998 the Department of Energy published **Federal Register** Notice: 63 FR 2371 announcing a series of public hearings to solicit input from state and local officials, utility representatives, industry representatives, public interest groups and other interested parties in the development of a statutorily required national energy policy plan, hereinafter referred to as the "Comprehensive National Energy Strategy" or "CNES." This is a *supplemental notice* to provide additional information on the hearing locations, mechanisms, (i.e. website address and fax numbers), for obtaining a copy of the draft Comprehensive National Energy Strategy and deadline for public comments. The CNES is based on a framework of goals, objectives, and strategies that will enable the Nation to sustain an economically competitive, environmentally responsible, and secure energy sector into the next century. The Department also invites interested parties to submit written comments for use in developing the CNES.

**DATES AND LOCATIONS:**

Houston, Texas. February 12, 1998. 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., George Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida de las Americas, Hearing Chair—Elizabeth A. Moler, Deputy Secretary of Energy

Davis, California. February 13, 1998. 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., University of California at Davis, University Club Building, Club Room One, Hearing Chair—Ernest J. Moniz, Under Secretary of Energy

Washington, D.C. February 19, 1998. 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., U.S. Department of Energy—Main Auditorium, 1000 Independence Ave. SW., Hearing Chair—Federico F. Peña, Secretary of Energy

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be sent to the U.S. Department of Energy,