

2880 regulations. The information required in 43 CFR Parts 2800 and 2880 is needed to enable the BLM to determine whether or not a right-of-way may be granted, to establish the terms and conditions of the grant and to administer the grant when it is made.

Additional information in the form of construction and other plans; detailed maps; certification, permits and approvals required by other agencies; and other information necessary for the completion of the project are authorized by 43 CFR 2802.4, 2881.2, and 2882.3. Each right-of-way is an individual situation and the information collected is specific to that individual proposal and only available from the applicant. Additional information in the form of a plan may be required. This plan is a product of the NEPA requirements. It is a useful working tool that enables both the BLM and the applicant to have a common understanding on how the project will proceed. An as-built map may also be required. These maps show greater detail than the basic location map required to be submitted with the application. A more exact location of the holder's right-of-way and related facilities will give the holder more protection for their improvements. The BLM also requires assurance that certifications, permits, and approvals required by others and identified during the NEPA analysis process have been obtained. A detailed description of alternative routes considered by the applicant when developing the proposal may be required and is used by the BLM to gain insight into the complexities and conflicts of the proposals. Statements of need and economic feasibility and of the environmental, social, and economic effects of the proposal may be requested and assist the BLM in evaluating the proposal with respect to NEPA compliance. If the BLM fails to properly collect the required information including plans, construction schedules, maps specific certificates, permits, and approvals necessary for the completion of the project, the BLM will reject the right-of-way application.

Based on BLM's experience administering the activities described above, approximately 25 percent of the 4,000 applications the BLM receives annually require additional information collection. The applicants are usually large companies that seek to construct large complex projects on public lands which require a right-of-way. The public reporting burden for the information collected is estimated to average 16.8 hours per response. The frequency of response is once. The estimated total annual burden on new respondents is about 16,800 hours.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 29, 1998.

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Bureau of Land Management Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted the proposed collection of information listed below of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* On February 26, 1998, BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 9857) requesting comments on this proposed collection. The comment period ended on April 28, 1998. No comments were received from the public in response to that notice. Copies of the proposed collection of information and explanatory material may be obtained by contacting the BLM clearance officer at the telephone number listed below.

OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration, your comments and suggestions on the proposed requirement should be made within 30 days directly to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0173), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20503, telephone: (202) 395-7340. Please provide a copy of your comments to the Bureau Clearance Officer (WO-630), 1849 C St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240.

Nature of Comments: We specifically request your comments on the following:

1. Whether collecting the information is necessary for BLM's proper functioning, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

3. The quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. How to minimize the burden of collecting the information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Jobs-in-the-Woods Employment Evaluation.

OMB Approval Number: 1004-0173.

Abstract: The Jobs-in-the-Woods Program is part of the Administration's Northwest Forest Initiative. It seeks to reduce the impact of loss of jobs caused by decreased logging on Federal forests in the Pacific Northwest by providing money for contracts to restore the environment. The BLM asks for four items of information in each Jobs-in-the-Woods Program contract that if issues. Each contractor asks for four items of information in each Jobs-in-the-Woods Program contract that if issues. Each contractor provides information at the close of the contract, as a condition of receiving final payment, about the number of workers employed on the contract, including managers; the number of days those workers worked on the contract; the total amount of wages and benefits paid to the workers; and the number of workers, if any, considered to be displaced timber workers. The BLM uses the information to gauge the effectiveness of the program in employing displaced timber workers.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency: Once, at the closing of the contract.

Description of Respondents:

Respondents are holders of contracts funded by the Jobs-in-the-Woods Program, generally small businesses.

Annual Responses: 200.

Annual Burden Hours: 100.

Collection Clearance Officer: Carole Smith, (202) 452-0367.

Dated: April 29, 1998.

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Bureau of Land Management, Information Clearance Officer.

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Call for Nominations for the San Pedro Riparian National Convention Area Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.