

minimize the burden to respondents, including use of automated information collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The NPS goal in conducting these surveys to incorporate survey information into a research report to be used by the National Seashore and local municipalities to guide planning and alternative management strategies for cleaning shoreline garbage from the beaches.

DATES: Public comments will be accepted on or before August 10, 1998.

SEND COMMENTS TO: John Miller, Chief, Division of Science, Resources Management, and Interpretation, Padre Island National Seashore, 9305 S.P.I.D., Corpus Christi, TX 78418.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Miller. Voice: 512-949-8173 x 227, Email: john_miller@nps.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Padre Island National Seashore Shoreline Garbage Visitor On-Site Survey.

Bureau Form Number: None.

OMB Number: To be requested.

Expiration Date: To be requested.

Type of request: Request for new clearance.

Description of need: The National Park Service needs information to incorporate into a research report on beach garbage for Padre Island National Seashore which will guide further management and planning for the Seashore.

Automated data collection: At the present time, there is no automated way to gather this information, since it includes asking visitors about their perceptions, expectations, and preferences in the Padre Island National Seashore area.

Description of respondents: A sample of individuals who use the beaches of Padre Island National Seashore and Mustang Island.

Estimated average number of respondents: 1500.

Estimated average number of responses: Each respondent will respond only one time, so the number of responses will be the same as the number of respondents.

Estimated average burden hour per response: 10-15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: 1 time per respondent.

Estimated annual reporting burden: 288 hours (12 hours/week @ 24 weeks).

Diane M. Cooke,

Information Collection Clearance Officer, WASO, Administrative Program Center, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Availability of Plan of Operations and Environmental Assessment for Proposed 3-D Geophysical Exploration; Big Thicket National Preserve

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 9.52(b) of Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, Subpart B, that the National Park Service has accepted a Plan of Operations from Continental Geophysical Services, L.L.C., for 3-D Geophysical Exploration within Big Thicket National Preserve, Hardin, Jefferson and Orange Counties, Texas.

The Plan of Operations and corresponding Environmental Assessment are available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days from the publication date of this notice. Both documents can be viewed during normal business hours at the Office of the Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve, 3785 Milam Street, Beaumont, Texas. Copies can be requested from the Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve, 3785 Milam Street, Beaumont, TX 77701.

Dated: June 3, 1998.

Richard R. Peterson,

Superintendent, Big Thicket National Preserve.

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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Renew Collections: Comment Request

SUMMARY: U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is making efforts to reduce the paperwork burden. USAID invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Comments are requested concerning: (1) Whether the continuing collections of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether information shall have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected, and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 60 days of this notification.

ADDRESS INFORMATION TO: Beverly Johnson, Bureau for Management, Office of Administrative Services, Information and Records Division, U.S. Agency for International Development, Washington, D.C. 20523, 202-712-1365 or via e-mail bjohnson@usaid.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Number: OMB 0412-0545.

Form Number: AID 1550-4.

Title: Request for Shipment of Commodities for Foreign Distribution (Voluntary Agency).

Type of Submission: Renew.

Purpose: Public Law 480 states that the President may utilize nonprofit voluntary agencies (PVOs) registered with and approved by the USAID in furnishing food commodities to needy persons outside the United States. The USAID Form 1550-4 is an instrument by which the PVOs communicate their specific needs in this regard to the U.S. Government. This form is used by eligible PVOs to request food commodities for approved country programs overseas and to furnish delivery instructions and other information necessary to ship these commodities to destination ports.

Annual Reporting Burden:

Respondents: 70.

Total Annual responses: 1,311.

Total annual hours requested: 120.

Dated: June 3, 1998.

Willette L. Smith,

Chief, Information and Records Division, Bureau for Management, Office of Administrative Services.

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