

acre Hat Island adjacent to the boundary of the Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (PBNERR) within the PBNERR boundary. Hat Island, currently in state ownership, contains primarily forested upland, rocky cliffs, rocky shores, and intertidal seagrass habitats. The island supports old growth forests dating back to the 1600's, active nesting and perching habitat for state and federally threatened and endangered bird species, and unique vegetative communities including the "Idaho bunchgrass" recommended for protection by the Washington State Natural Heritage Program. It provides ideal research and education opportunities for the PBNERR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Terry Stevens, Reserve Manager, Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Breazeale-Padilla Bay Interpretive Center, 1043 Bay View-Edison Road, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273; Phone (360) 428-1558 or Nina Garfield, Sanctuaries and Reserves Division, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, SSMC4, 11th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910; Phone (301) 713-3141, ext. 171.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Padilla Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve (PBNERR) was designated in 1980 pursuant to section 315 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1461. The PBNERR includes more than 10,000 acres within its administrative boundary comprising eelgrass, subtidal sand and mud habitats, and an upland farm area.

Washington State requested NOAA approval to amend the PBNERR boundary to include the state-owned Hat Island adjacent to the current boundary. For several years Hat Island has been discussed for possible inclusion into the PBNERR boundary. During original boundary planning efforts by the Governor's Steering Committee for the Reserve in 1979-80, Hat Island was recognized as a valuable asset for inclusion, but due to its private ownership and extreme high cost, it was decided to leave it outside the boundary and only include the two islands (Saddlebag and Dot) to the north which were already owned by the State. Interest in including Hat Island at a future date was noted in the management plan for future consideration. In the early 1990's, Hat Island was purchased by the Nature Conservancy, and then by the State with funds appropriated for the Washington Wildlife and Recreation Program, with interim management responsibility granted to the Washington Department of Natural Resources (WDNR).

Discussions between the Washington Department of Ecology (the PBNERR's managing authority) and the WDNR have concluded that the island is best suited for inclusion in the PBNERR.

The inclusion of Hat Island into the PBNERR will enhance opportunities for research, monitoring, education, and management of Puget Sound's unique estuarine resources.

The expansion proposes inclusion of the 92 acres Hat Island on the western boundary of the PBNERR. This island is dominated by forested uplands, including old growth stands of Douglas fir, steep rocky cliffs, unique vegetative communities, and rocky shoreline, and intertidal and subtidal seagrass communities.

Any person wishing to comment on the proposed boundary expansion may forward written comments to Ms. Nina Garfield, Sanctuaries and Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1305 East-West Highway, SSMC4, 11th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) calendar days from issuance of this notice.

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Nancy Foster,

Assistant Administrator, Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C., Chapter 35).

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Customer Service Survey—Regulatory Program, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; ENG 5065; OMB Number 0710—[To Be Determined].

Type of Request: New Collection.

Number of Respondents: 60,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 60,000.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 15,000.

Needs And Uses: The survey form will be provided to the public when they receive a regulatory product, primarily a permit decision or wetland determination. The information collected will be used to determine what areas of the program can be improved and to consider policy areas which may need revision to improve customer satisfaction. Without this customer survey, we could not comply with Executive Order 12862, "Setting Customer Service Standards," and would have to rely on more informal and less structured, and therefore less effective, methods of obtaining public input.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households; Business or Other For-Profit; Not-For-Profit Institutions; Farms; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. James A. Laity.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Laity at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for U.S. Army COE, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing WHS/DIOR, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 1204, Arlington, VA 22202-4302.

Dated: June 22, 1998.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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Office of the Secretary

**Submission for OMB Review;
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ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C., Chapter 35).

Title and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 205, Publicizing Contract Actions, and DFARS 252.205-7000, Provision of Information to Cooperative Agreement Holders; OMB Number 0704-0286.