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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4280-N-06]

### Uniform Physical Condition Standards and Physical Inspection Requirements; Notice of Availability of Physical Inspection Software and Guidebook and Notice of Compliance Date With Physical Inspection Procedures

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, and Office of the Director of the Real Estate Assessment Center, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On September 1, 1998, HUD published its final rule on Uniform Physical Conditions Standards and Uniform Physical Inspection Requirements for Certain HUD Housing. In that rule, HUD stated that when HUD issued the physical inspection software and guidebook, the availability would be announced by **Federal Register** notice. The rule also provided that the availability notice would provide the covered entities with 30 days notice to prepare to conduct physical inspections in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR part 5, subpart G. This notice announces the availability of the software and guidebook, and provides the 30-day notice required by the rule.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information about housing entities covered by this notice, contact Kenneth Hannon, Office of Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh St, SW., Room 6160, Washington, DC 20410, (202) 708-0547, ext. 2599. For further information about other matters covered by this notice, contact Wanda Funk, Real Estate Assessment Center, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1280 Maryland Avenue, SW., Suite 800, Washington, DC 20024; telephone Customer Service Center at 1-888-245-4860 (this is a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access that number via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additional information is

available from the REAC Internet Site, <http://www.hud.gov/reac>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

##### Uniform Physical Conditions Standards (UPCS)

On September 1, 1998 (63 FR 46566), HUD published its final rule on Uniform Physical Conditions Standards (UPCS) and Uniform Physical Inspection Requirements for Certain HUD Housing. The standards provided in the September 1, 1998 final rule, and codified at 24 CFR part 5, subpart G, are intended to ensure that housing insured and/or assisted under certain HUD programs is decent, safe, sanitary and in good repair. The September 1, 1998, final rule also generally established new physical inspection procedures that allow HUD to determine that the housing is in conformity with the standards.

In the preamble to the September 1, 1998, final UPCS rule (64 FR 46566) and in § 5.705(b) of the regulation itself, HUD advised that entities responsible for conducting inspections to determine compliance with the UPCS would not be required to conduct inspections in accordance with the UPSC until HUD issued the inspection software and accompanying guidebook. HUD advised that when these two items have been issued, HUD would publish a notice in the **Federal Register** to inform the public of the availability of the software and guidebook. HUD also advised that the notice, when issued, would provide 30 days within which those entities must prepare to conduct the physical inspections in accordance with the requirements of 24 CFR part 5, subpart G.

##### UPCS—Administrative Process for Assessment of Insured and Assisted Properties

On November 26, 1999 (64 FR 66530), HUD published a proposed rule titled Uniform Physical Condition Standards and Physical Inspection Requirements for Certain HUD Housing; Administrative Process for Assessment of Insured and Assisted Properties. This proposed rule establishes for multifamily housing (non-public housing as more fully described) certain administrative processes by which HUD will notify owners of HUD's assessment of the physical condition of their multifamily housing; the owners, under certain circumstances, will be provided an opportunity to seek technical or other review of HUD's physical condition assessment of multifamily housing properties; and HUD may take

action in certain cases when a property is found not to be in compliance with the UPCS.

HUD anticipates the final rule implementing the proposed rule will be published in the **Federal Register** within the next several weeks. The final rule will be effective 30 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register**.

##### Thirty Day Notice

This notice constitutes the notice referred in the September 1, 1998, final UPSC rule, now codified in 24 CFR 5.705(b). Physical inspection software for public use and the accompanying guidebook may be obtained, at no cost, by contacting: Technical Assistance Center, Real Estate Assessment Center, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 1280 Maryland Avenue, SW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20024; telephone 1-888-245-4860 (this is a toll-free number). Both items also may be downloaded, at no cost, from the REAC Internet Site, at <http://www.hud.gov/reac/products/pass/pass-demo.html>. In addition, training in the uniform physical condition standards and inspection protocol is available from the trainers on the approved training list on the REAC Internet Site, at [http://www.hud.gov/reac/products/pass/pass\\_srclist.html](http://www.hud.gov/reac/products/pass/pass_srclist.html).

All covered entities that are required to conduct physical inspections of properties to determine compliance with the UPCS regulations, must begin using HUD's physical inspection procedures by November 24, 2000.

Dated: October 16, 2000.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Information Collection To Be Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA)

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) plans to submit the collection of information requirement described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). A copy of this information collection is included in this notice. You may obtain additional copies of the collection requirement, related survey and explanatory material by contacting the Service's Information Collection Clearance Officer at the phone number listed below. The Service is soliciting comment and suggestions on the requirement as described below.

**DATES:** Interested parties must submit comments on or after December 26, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties should send comments and suggestions on the requirement to Rebecca A. Mullin, Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 222, Arlington, VA 22203, (703) 358-2278 or Rebecca\_Mullin@fws.gov E-mail.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steve Farrell, (703) 358-2156, fax (703) 358-1837, or Steve\_Farrell@fws.gov E-mail.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### General

Comments regarding this survey were received as a result of the survey being published in the **Federal Register**, Volume 65, Number 13, pages 3331-3366, January 20, 2000. We received 57 comments from 12 respondents. Most comments pertained to minor textual changes to improve clarity, while others addressed specific questions, time burden on respondents, and implementation of the survey. Comments regarding textual changes were used in revising the survey to the extent possible.

##### Written Comments

*Issue 1.* Five comments suggested that the hours of burden are under estimated or too long.

*Response:* The hour burden was calculated through consultation with and sampling of state agencies and boating and fishing related not-for-profit organizations. While revising the survey instrument, we reduced the burden by 3 minutes for Parts A and B and by 5 minutes for parts C and D by shortening some questions and eliminating others.

*Issue 2.* Three respondents noted that the survey instrument sample sizes and suggested response rates are not adequate to assess boating access needs statewide.

*Response:* To allow the States maximum flexibility, States may determine the necessary sample size and methodology leading to response

rates that ensure receipt of statistically valid information.

*Issue 3.* One comment suggested that Part A of the survey asks fishing related questions and is not applicable to this subset of boaters.

*Response:* The survey designers (listed in Section B.5 of this justification) represented State natural resource agencies and the boating and fishing communities. The Service received no indication that the fishing related questions did not apply to boaters using nontrailerable vessels. No changes were made to Part A in response to this comment.

*Issue 4.* A comment stated that questions regarding the length and draft of boats using facilities was unnecessary.

*Response:* We agree with this statement because the individual Parts of the survey define boat sizes and therefore we deleted the question.

*Issue 5.* One respondent requested definition of several terms including, "off-limits areas" and "seasonal use restrictions."

*Response:* We edited questions 4 and 24 in Parts C and D, thereby eliminating the terms and clarifying the questions.

*Issue 6.* One comment suggested that Part C, question 6 be revised to include nontrailerable boater needs.

*Response:* Part C, as defined, addresses the needs of nontrailerable boats specifically. In response to this comment, we revised Part C, questions 6 (now question 4) to include permanent facilities for use by non-trailerable boats.

*Issue 7.* One comment suggested that service providers for nontrailerable boats cannot provide accurate information regarding repair and maintenance costs of boating facilities.

*Response:* We agree that question 11 in Part C and question 21 in Part D could not be answered accurately, therefore we removed the questions from the survey.

*Issue 8.* One respondent suggested that determining usage of facilities according to how boaters launch their vessels was unnecessary.

*Response:* The Service worked with state natural resource agencies and members of the boating and fishing communities to develop this survey and feels the information is necessary to adequately assess trailerable boating access needs. Therefore, we did not change this portion of the survey.

*Issue 9.* One comment suggested that respondents would not answer question 20 of Part D of each site.

*Response:* This information is necessary to assess boating facility conditions and needs. The survey was

revised to allow respondents operating more than five facilities to estimate total needs for all facilities.

*Issue 10.* One comment suggested the survey require respondents to include personal information.

*Response:* Only information regarding the need for boating facilities is sought. The need for a national boating access needs assessment is not sufficient to justify collection of personal information. No change was made in response to this comment.

*Issue 11.* Four comments asked if additional questions may be asked of the respondents.

*Response:* Federal regulations prohibit alteration of an approved survey without seeking approval of the changes made from the Office of Management and Budget. Therefore, States may not add questions to this survey.

*Issue 12.* One comment suggested the use of a multiple choice format when asking boaters about preferred destinations (Part A question 9).

*Response:* The survey cannot be developed at a Federal level for implementation by individual States and include State specific data in a multiple choice format. Additionally, Part A, question 9 will yield anecdotal data useful in constructing State boating access plans. Therefore, no change was made in response to this comment.

*Issue 13.* One comment suggested that attempting to acquire longitude and latitude data from boat service providers is unreasonable.

*Response:* This data is necessary to allow State agencies to direct boaters to available services, recreation and other related activities. No change was made to the survey in response to this comment.

*Issue 14.* One comment suggested altering questions in Part C to focus on transient boater needs.

*Response:* We disagree as the survey is not intended to assess only the needs of transient boaters. This is a comprehensive assessment of all boating facility needs and as such we cannot focus questions on a subset of the total population.

*Title:* Boating Infrastructure Grant Program Survey.

*OMB Control Number:* 1018-0106 expires 3/31/2003. The Service may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

*Service Form Number:* 3-2187.

*Frequency of Collection:* One-time.

*Description and Use:* The Service administers the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program authorized by the

Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act. Under the Act, as amended, the Service is responsible for development of a survey to assess the needs for facilities for recreational boaters. This survey was previously approved under the referenced OMB control number. This request is for approval of changes to the previously approved survey instrument. These changes include dropping certain questions, rewording others for clarity, and reformatting the questionnaire, making it easier to understand and use. Changes are discussed in detail in this notice under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

*Additional Information:* The Service plans to submit the following information collection requirement to OMB for review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments are invited on (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of burden of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and, (4)

ways to minimize the burden of collection of information on respondents, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

*Description of Respondents:* States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa.

*Completion Time and Response Estimate:*

Type of information	Number of interviews*	Average time required per response (minutes)	Annual burden hours
Boat owners: Part A .....	11,200	12	2,240
Boat owners: Part B .....	28,000	12	5,600
Boat owners: Part C .....	8,400	20	2,800
Boat owners: Part D .....	4,000	20	1,333
Total .....	.....	.....	11,973

\*These numbers are not additive since some of the boaters will fill out both Parts A and B, and most of the providers will fill out both Parts C and D.

**BOATING INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM NATIONAL FRAMEWORK**

**PART A: RECREATIONAL BOATING NEEDS ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE FOR BOATERS WITH BOATS 26 FEET OR MORE IN LENGTH**

Please answer the following questions about your boating activities in [name of State]. [Add comment about confidentiality if applicable under state law]

- Do you own a boat 26 feet or more in length?  
 Yes.     No. You need not complete this questionnaire.
- Have you boated in [name of State] within the past 2 years?  
 Yes.     No. You need not complete this questionnaire.
- Do you boat mainly for recreation (NOT for work)?  
 Yes.     No. You need not complete this questionnaire.
- What type of boat or boats do you own? (Please check all that apply)  
 Cabin cruiser (gasoline)     Cabin cruiser (diesel)     Sailboat  
 Houseboat/pontoon boat     Open motor boat     Trawler  
 Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

FOR QUESTIONS 5-10 PLEASE REFER TO THE BOAT THAT YOU USE THE MOST

- Where do you usually keep this boat during the boating season? (Please check the one that MOST applies. If you keep your boat in a location other than your home please name the specific site)  
 At water front property, which is your permanent residence  
 State \_\_\_\_\_
- At waterfront property, which is your seasonal residence?  
 State \_\_\_\_\_
- On the water at a public or private marina?  
 State/City/town: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Site name: \_\_\_\_\_
- At a 'dry-stack' marina or other commercial/private facility?  
 State/City/town: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Site name: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other (specify)  
 State/City/town: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Site name: \_\_\_\_\_
- How many days a year do you use this boat to go boating in [name of state]? (Please check the one that MOST applies.)  
 Less than 10 times a year  
 11 to 20 times a year

- 20 to 50 times a year
- More than 50 times a year
- 8. How long is a typical boating trip for you in [name of state]? (Please check the one that MOST applies.)
  - Day trips or weekends
  - Extended trips longer than one weekend
- 9. Where do you go in this boat? (Please check the one that MOST applies.)
  - On the water body in which it is kept
  - Connected waters up to 25 miles of 'home port'
  - Connected waters more than 25 miles and less than 50 miles from 'home port'
  - To destination ports over 50 miles
- 10. What is the average distance that you travel in your boat on a day of boating in [name of state]? \_\_\_\_\_ miles.
- 11. Do you think there are enough transient tie-up facilities in [name of State]? (Please rate on a scale of 1 to 5.)

No, need a lot more	No, need a few more	The right amount	Yes, more than enough	Yes, there are too many
1	2	3	4	5

12. Please identify 3 areas in [name of State] where you see the greatest need for more transient tie-up facilities. (Please be as specific as possible and name the county, city or town, and the area name or location.)

Site name	County/city or town	Area name and/or location (such as lake, slough, bay, harbour, section of river or other)
Site #1		
Site #2		
Site #3		

13. Thinking about the boating area(s) you just mentioned in Question #12, what kinds of features do you think are needed at each? (Please check all that apply.)

	Area #1 (specify)	Area #2 (specify)	Area #3 (specify)
Transient slip or tie-up facilities .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Transient moorings .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fuel (gasoline) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fuel (diesel) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Utilities (electric, water, phone) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restrooms .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sewage pumpout stations .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

14. Please rate how the following factors may impact your decision NOT to boat in (name of State) more frequently. (Please check one for each factor listed.)

	No impact	Low impact	Medium impact	High impact	Does not apply
Not enough transient slips, moorings, or tie-up facilities .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Inaccessibility due to shallow water/channel depths .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Not enough information about transient tie-up facility locations .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Not enough adequate facilities (fuel, utilities, restrooms) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Congested waterways (boat traffic) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Poor water quality for fishing .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Poor water quality for swimming .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				

15. How do you reach the shoreline from your boat? (Please check ALL that apply.)
- Via shore-side slip or other transient tie-up facility
  - Via a dinghy from a moored or anchored position
  - Pulling onto shore or close to shore, using a gangway
  - Other
16. If you checked MORE THAN ONE option in Question #15 above, which do you prefer? (Please check the one that you MOST prefer.)
- Via shore-side slip or other transient tie-up facility
  - Via a dinghy from a moored or anchored position

- Pulling onto shore or close to shore, using a gangway
- Other

17. What is the minimum water depth in feet required for safe operation of the boat you use the most?

- \_\_\_\_\_ feet

18. Please use the space below to make any other comments or suggestions about recreational boating in your State.

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501) and the Privacy Act of 1974 (U.S.C. 552), please be advised that:

The gathering of information from applicants to assess recreational boating facility needs is authorized under the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777-777k). Information from this survey will be used to assess the needs for recreational boating facilities. Your participation in completing this form is not required to obtain benefits under the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program. Once submitted this survey becomes public information and is not protected under the Privacy Act. The public reporting burden for this survey is estimated at 10 to 25 minutes per response, including time for gathering information and completing. Direct comments to the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, (1018-0106), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ; 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240.

An agency may not conduct and a person is not required to complete a collection of information unless a currently valid OMB control number is displayed.

**PART B: BOATING NEEDS ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE FOR BOATERS WITH BOATS UNDER 26 FEET IN LENGTH**

Please answer the following questions about your boating activities in [name of State]. [Add comment about confidentiality if applicable under State law]

1. Do you own a boat under 26 feet in length?
  - Yes.     No. You need not complete this questionnaire.
2. Have you boated in [name of State] within the past 2 years?
  - Yes.     No. You need not complete this questionnaire.
3. Do you boat mainly for recreation (NOT for work)?
  - Yes.     No. You need not complete this questionnaire.
4. What type of boat or boats do you own? (Please check all that apply.)
  - Cabin cruiser (gasoline)
  - Bass boat/jon boat
  - Inflatable boat/raft
  - Unpowered rowboat
  - Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_
  - Cabin cruiser (diesel)
  - Open motor boat
  - Houseboat/pontoon boat
  - Canoe/kayak
  - Sailboat
  - Jet drive boat
  - Personal water craft
  - Sailboard

FOR QUESTIONS 6-8 PLEASE REFER TO THE BOAT THAT YOU USE THE MOST

5. Where do you usually keep this boat during the boating season? (If you keep your boat in a location other than you home, please name the specific site.)
  - Public or private marina
  - At home on a trailer or in a rented dry storage area (that is not a marina)
  - Waterfront property that you own, rent, or lease
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_
7. How do you put your boat in the water in [name of State]?
  - I use a trailer
  - I carry it down to the water
8. How many miles (one way) do you typically transport the boat to go boating in [name of State]?
 

\_\_\_\_\_ miles
9. Please identify 3 [name of State] areas where you see the greatest need for more boat access sites. (Please be as specific as possible and name the county, city or town, and the area name of location.)

Site	County/city or town	Area name and/or location (such as lake, slough, bay, harbor, section or river or other)
Site #1		
Site #2		
Site #3		

10. Thinking about the boating area(s) you just mentioned in Question # 9, what kinds of support features do you think are needed at each? (Please check all that apply.)

	Site #1 (specify)	Site #2 (specify)	Site #3 (specify)
Carry-down walkway to the water's edge .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Boarding floats .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Launch ramp .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parking .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Waste pumpouts .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restrooms/showers .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

11. Please rate how the following factors may impact your decision NOT to boat in [name of State] more frequently. (Please check one for each factor listed.)

	No impact	Low impact	Medium impact	High impact	Does not apply
Not enough boat access sites .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Not enough information about access site locations .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Not enough adequate facilities (fuel, utilities, restrooms) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Congested waterways (boat traffic) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Poor water quality for fishing .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Poor water quality for swimming .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>				

12. Do you think there are enough boat access sites in [name of state]? (Please rate on a scale of 1 to 5.)

No, need a lot more	No, need a few more	The right amount	Yes, more than enough	Yes, there are too many
1	2	3	4	5

13. Please use the space below to make any other comments or suggestions about recreational boating in your State.

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In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 350-1) and the Privacy Act of 1974 (U.S.C. 552), please be advised that:

The gathering of information from applicants to assess recreational boating facility needs is authorized under the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777-777k). Information from this survey will be used to assess the needs for recreational boating facilities. Your participation in completing this form is not required to obtain benefits under the Boating Infrastructure Grant Program. Once submitted this survey becomes public information and is not protected under the Privacy Act. The public reporting burden for this survey is estimated at 10 to 25 minutes per response, including time for gathering information and completing. Direct comments to the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, (1018-0106), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ: 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240.

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**PART C**

If you operate a marine or other tie-up facility in [name of State] that serves boats 26 feet or more in length, please answer the following questions. If you do not operate facilities for boats 26 feet or more in length but do operate an access site that services trailerable or car top boats under 26 feet in length, please go to Part D below.

IF YOU OPERATE MORE THAN 5 FACILITIES PLEASE ESTIMATE RESPONSES FOR ALL YOUR FACILITIES COMBINED, PLACE ANSWERS UNDER FACILITY #1.

**RECREATIONAL BOATING NEEDS ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PROVIDERS**

Please answer the following questions about your boating facility or access site in [name of State]. [Add comment about confidentiality if applicable under state law]

Are you a public or private boating facilities provider in [name of State]?

- Private provider (Non-government agency)
- Public provider (Government agency, includes private leases on Public land.)
- Neither (You need not complete this questionnaire.)

1. How many boat facilities for boats over 26 feet do you operate in [name of State]  
 \_\_\_\_\_ facilities





For all of your facilities combined in [name of State], please identify how boaters know about your facilities (Check all that apply.)

Paid advertising	State publications	Chamber of commerce	World wide web	Other (specify)	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>					

8. Below is a list of reasons why boaters may use facilities you identified in Question #2. Why do you think the public uses each facility? (Check all that apply for each facility. List facilities in same order as Question #2.)

	Close to population centers	Good boating waters	Good support services (slips, fuel, rest-rooms, pumpouts, etc.)	Reasonable cost	Swimming opportunities	Fishing opportunities	Other (specify)
Facility #1 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #2 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #3 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #4 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #5 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. Please rate the overall condition of the listed facility(s) you listed in Question #2. (Please check one for each facility. List facilities in same order as Question #2.)

	Poor (requires upgrade now)	Fair (will require upgrade within the next 2 to 5 years)	Good (will require upgrade within 5 to 10 years)	Excellent (no improvements needed for 10 years)
Facility #1 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #2 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #3 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #4 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facility #5 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

10. Do you think there are enough boat tie-up facilities in [name of State]?

- YES     NO

11. If public funding sources was available for facility repair, improvement, expansion, or additions, would you be interested?

- YES     NO

12. Please provide any comments about facilities not covered in this section.

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 350-1) and the Privacy Act of 1974 (U.S.C. 552), please be advised that:

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**PART D**

If you operate an access site for trailerable or car top boats under 26 feet in length, please answer the following questions.

**IF YOU OPERATE MORE THAN 5 ACCESS SITES PLEASE ESTIMATE FOR ALL YOUR FACILITIES COMBINED, PLACE ANSWERS UNDER FACILITY #1**

13. How many boat access sites for boats under 26 feet do you operate in [name of State]?

\_\_\_\_\_ access sites

14. Please list the access site or sites that you operate or manage in [name of State] for boats under 26 feet in length. (Please list each specific site.)



Access #3	None needed	Repair	Replace	Expand	Add	Does not apply
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					

Access #4	None needed	Repair	Replace	Expand	Add	Does not apply
Carry-down walkway to .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Launch ramp .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Boarding floats .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Parking .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Restrooms .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Sewage pumpouts .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					

Access #5	None needed	Repair	Replace	Expand	Add	Does not apply
Carry-down walkway to .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Launch ramp .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Boarding floats .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Parking .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Restrooms .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Sewage pumpouts .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					
Other (specify) .....	<input type="checkbox"/>					

18. For all of your access sites combined in [name of State], identify how boaters know about your access site(s). (Check all that apply.)

Paid advertising	State publications	Chamber of commerce	World wide web	Other (specify)	Other (specify)
<input type="checkbox"/>					

19. Below is a list of reasons why boaters may use access sites you identified in Question #14. Why do you think the public uses each access site? (Check all that apply. List access sites in same order as Question #14.)

	Close to population centers	Good boating waters	Good support services (slips, fuel, restrooms, pumpouts,	Reasonable cost	Fishing opportunities	Swimming opportunities	Other (specify)
Access #1 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #2 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #3 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #4 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #5 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

20. Please rate the overall condition of the listed access site(s) you listed in Question #14. (Check one for each access site. List access sites in same order as Question #14.)

	Poor (requires upgrade now)	Fair (will require upgrade within the next 2 to 5 years)	Good (will require upgrade within 5 to 10 years)	Excellent (no improvements needed for 10 years)
Access #1 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #2 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #3 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #4 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Access #5 .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

21. Do you think there are enough boat access sites in [state name]?

Yes  No

22. If public funding sources were available for access repair,

improvement, expansion, or additions, would you be interested?

Yes  No

23. Please provide any comments about access sites not covered in this section.

Thank you for your help! If you would like a representative of this State to contact you about any questions and concerns or if you would like additional information about facility and site development funding sources, please list your name, facility, telephone number, and best time to contact you.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Facility \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time \_\_\_\_\_

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Dated: October 17, 2000.

**Rebecca A. Mullin,**

*Information Collection Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Services

#### Information Collection To Be Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will submit the collection of information listed below to OMB for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act. A copy of the information collection requirement is included in this notice. If you wish to obtain copies of the proposed information collection requirement, related forms, and explanatory material, contact the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer at the address listed below.

**DATES:** You must submit comments on or before December 26, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments on the requirements to the Information Collection Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request a copy of the information collection request, explanatory information and related forms, contact Rebecca A. Mullin at (703) 358-2287, or electronically to [rmullin@fws.gov](mailto:rmullin@fws.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (We) plan to submit a request to OMB for its approval of the collection of information for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Employee Exit Survey. We are requesting a 3-year term of approval for this information collection activity.

Federal agencies may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife form number for this collection of information is FWS 3-2186.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in the Department of the Interior is the agency primarily responsible for fish, wildlife, and plant conservation. The Service helps protect a healthy environment for people, fish and wildlife, and helps Americans conserve and enjoy the outdoors and our living treasures. To accomplish its mission, the Service employs around 7,500 of the country's best biologists, wildlife managers, engineers, realty specialists, educators, law enforcement agents, and others who work to save endangered and threatened species; conserve migratory birds and inland fisheries; restore habitats; provide expert conservation advice to other federal

agencies, industry, private citizens, and foreign governments; and manage millions of acres of wildlife lands. The Service Directorate has made it a high priority to recruit and retain these valued employees. As part of an active career development program, the Service has decided to institute an Employee Exist Survey to collect feedback from former Service employees so that we may discover relevant issues that impact retention. If this survey were not used, there would be no way the Service could analyze the reasons for employee separation.

**Title:** U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Employee Exit Survey.

**Service Form Number:** 3-2186.

**Frequency of Collection:** Annually.

**Description of Respondents:** Former U.S. Fish and Wildlife Employees.

**Total Annual Burden Hours:** The reporting burden is estimated to average 15 minutes per respondent.

The Total Annual Burden hours is 100 hours.

**Total Annual Responses:** About 400 individuals are expected to participate in the survey.

We invite comments concerning this submission on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of our career development functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and, (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents. The information collections in this program are part of a system of record covered by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552(a)).

Dated: October 18, 2000.

**Rebecca A. Mullin,**

*U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Collection 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 to the Office of Management and Budget