

Ranch SHA is also available for public comment. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

DATES: Written comments on the application should be received on or before June 11, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the application, SHA, and "Low Effect" determination may obtain copies by writing to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, Room 4102, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103, or by contacting Denise Smith, New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office, 2105 Osuna Road, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87113 (505/346-2525). Documents relating to the application will be available for public inspection by written request, by appointment only, during normal business hours (8:00 to 4:30) at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Written data or comments concerning the application and SHA should be submitted to the Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico, at the above address. Please refer to permit number TE-035920-0 (Paterson) when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Denise Smith at the above U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, New Mexico Ecological Services Field Office, Albuquerque, New Mexico (505) 346-2525.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Caroline H. and Thomas W. Paterson (Applicants) plan to implement conservation measures on Spur Ranch, a 309 acre parcel of land northeast of Luna, Catron County, New Mexico. The conservation measures will improve riverine, riparian, and upland habitat through improving water quality, reducing sedimentation, and establishment of native riparian vegetation. The SHA as currently written is expected to provide a net conservation benefit to the five species for which it is written. The SHA will provide protection to the Applicants against further regulation under the Endangered Species Act in the event that any of the covered species should occupy the Patersons' land as a result of implementation of the proposed conservation measures.

Section 9 of the Act prohibits the "taking" of threatened or endangered species. However, the Service, under

limited circumstances, may issue permits to take threatened and endangered wildlife species incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Regulations governing permits for endangered species are at 50 CFR 17.22 and 50 CFR 17.22 for threatened species.

Thomas L. Bauer,

*Acting Regional Director, Region 2,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Information Collection Request for the Housing Assistance Application requires renewal. The proposed information collection requirement, with no appreciable changes, described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review after a public comment period, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The Bureau is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 9, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties are invited to submit written comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to June Henkel, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4660-MIB, Washington, DC 20240. E-mail should be sent to JuneHenkel@bia.gov. Fax: (202) 208-2648. Telephone: (202) 208-3667. (This is not a toll-free number.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instructions should be directed to June Henkel, 202-208-3667.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information is needed to establish whether an applicant is eligible to receive services under the HIP and to establish the priority order in which

eligible applicants may receive services under the program.

II. Method of Collection

The housing regulations at 25 CFR part 256 contain the program eligibility and selection criteria (§§ 256.6, 256.8, 256.9, 256.10, 256.14) which prospective applicants seeking program services must demonstrate that they meet. Information collected from applicants under these regulations provides eligibility and selection data used by the local servicing housing office to establish whether an applicant is eligible to receive services. The local servicing housing office may be a tribal housing office under a Public Law 93-638, Indian Self-Determination contract or a Self-Governance annual funding agreement, or the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Additionally, the data is used by the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs to establish whether a request for waiver of a specific housing regulation is in the best interest of the applicant and the Federal Government.

III. Data

(1) *Title of the Collection of Information:* Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Housing Assistance Application.

OMB Number: 1076-0084.

Expiration Date: September 30, 2001.

Type of Review: Renewal of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Summary of the Collection of Information:* The collection of information provides pertinent data concerning an applicant's eligibility to receive services under the Housing Improvement Program and includes:

A. Applicant Information including: Name, Current Address, Telephone Number, Date of Birth, Tribe, Roll Number, Marital Status, Name of Spouse, Date of Birth (of spouse), Tribe (of spouse), and Roll Number (of Spouse).

B. Family Information including: Name, Date of Birth, Relationship to Applicant, and Tribe/Roll Number.

C. Income Information: Earned and Unearned Income.

D. Housing Information including: Location of the house to be repaired, constructed or purchased; Description of housing assistance for which applying; Knowledge of receipt of prior Housing Improvement Program assistance, amount, to whom and when; Ownership or rental; Availability of electricity and name of electric company; Type of sewer system; Water source; Number of bedrooms; Size of house; and, Bathroom facilities.

E. Land Information including: Land owner; Legal status of land; or Type of interest in land.

F. General Information including: Prior receipt of services under the Housing Improvement Program and description of such; Ownership of other housing and description of such, Identification of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funded house and current status of project; Identification of other sources of housing assistance for which the applicant has applied and been denied assistance if applying for a new housing unit or purchase of an existing standard unit; and advisement and description of any severe health problem, handicap or permanent disability.

G. Applicant Certification including: Signature of Applicant and Date, and Signature of Spouse and Date.

(3) *Description of the need for the information and proposed use of the information:* Submission of this information is required in order to receive services under the Housing Improvement Program. The information is collected to determine applicant eligibility for services and applicant priority order to receive services under the program.

(4) *Description of likely respondents, including the estimated number of likely respondents, and proposed frequency of response to the collection of information:*

Description of likely respondents: Individual members of Indian tribes who are living on or near a tribally, or by law, defined service area.

Estimated number of respondents: 3,500.

Proposed frequency of response: Annually or less frequently, depending on length of waiting list, funding availability and dynamics of service population.

(5) *Estimate of total annual reporting and record keeping burden that will result from the collection:*

Estimated time per application: The reporting burden for this applicant is estimated to average ½ hour per response, including the time for reviewing the instructions, gathering and maintaining the data, and completing and reviewing the form.

Estimated Total Annual Reporting Burden Hours: 1,750 hours.

Estimated record keeping burden per application: The record keeping burden for tribes submitting eligible applicant data and not having or receiving funds to administer the program is estimated to average ½ hour per application, including the time for reviewing the application, determining applicant

eligibility and priority ranking and summarizing data for submission.

Estimated Total Record Keeping Burden: 156 hours.

Estimated Total Record Keeping Costs: \$2,431 (117.5 hours × \$20.69 per hour).

IV. Request for Comments

The Department of the Interior invites comment on:

(a) 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;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and,

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating, and verifying information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and, to transmit or otherwise disclose information.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they will also become a matter of public record. All written comments will be available for public inspection in Room 4660 of the Main Interior Building, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC, from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget control number.

Dated: April 30, 2001.

James H. McDivitt,

Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs (Management).

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[CO-930; COC-48469]

Public Land Order No. 7485; Extension of Public Land Order No. 6846; CO

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public land order.

SUMMARY: This order extends Public Land Order No. 6846 for an additional 10-year period. This extension is necessary to continue the protection of the Wild and Scenic River values in the South Platte River. These lands have been and will remain open to mineral leasing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 12, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris E. Chelius, BLM Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield Street, Lakewood, Colorado 80215-7093, 303-239-3706.

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (1994), it is ordered as follows:

1. Public Land Order No. 6846, which withdrew National Forest System lands to protect the Wild and Scenic River values in a 9-mile segment of the South Platte River corridor, is hereby extended for an additional 10-year period following its date of expiration.

2. This withdrawal will expire 10 years from the effective date of this order unless, as a result of a review conducted prior to the expiration date pursuant to Section 204(f) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714(f) (1994), the Secretary determines that the withdrawal shall be extended.

Dated: April 12, 2001.

Gale A. Norton,

Secretary of the Interior.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Investigations Nos. 731-TA-726, 727, and 729 (Review)

Polyvinyl Alcohol From China, Japan, and Taiwan

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Termination of five-year reviews.