

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

[WO-350-1430-PF-01-24 1A]

Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Approval Number 1004-0188**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend an existing approval to collect information from individuals who request rights-of-way on public lands that BLM administers under the regulations 43 CFR 2800 and 43 CFR 2880. The nonform information under 43 CFR 2800 and 43 CFR 2880 will allow BLM to:

- (1) Process plans of development for complex right-of-way projects;
- (2) Review and file location and project maps;
- (3) Adjudicate applications for reductions in cost recovery fees;
- (4) Properly assess rents on communication site rights-of-way;
- (5) Determine whether or not applicants are qualified to hold right-of-way grants; and
- (6) Determine the amount of fees that the applicants or grant holders owe the United States.

DATES: You must submit your comments to BLM at the address below on or before October 22, 2001. BLM will not necessarily consider any comments received after the above date.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to: Regulatory Affairs Group (630), Bureau of Land Management, Mailstop 401L, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

You may send comments via Internet to: WOCComment@blm.gov. Please include "ATTN: 1004-0188" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

You may deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Alzata L. Ransom, Realty Use Group, on (202) 452-7772 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf

(TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Ms. Ransom.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 5 CFR 1320.12(a) requires that we provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a collection of information to solicit comments on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will leave practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;

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

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

BLM needs the information to administer its right-of-way program. Title V of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue and renew rights-of-way through public lands under its jurisdiction. These rights-of-way uses are reservoirs, ditches, pipes and pipelines, electrical general and transmission systems, communication systems, roads, airways, and livestock driveways. BLM requires each right-of-way grant holder to reimburse for all reasonable administrative costs to process an application and monitor the right-of-way grant in accordance with section 504(g).

Section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (MLA), as amended, 30 U.S.C. 185 *et seq.*, authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue right-of-way grants through public lands to transport oil, gas, synthetic liquid or gaseous fuels or other refined products. The Act also allows for temporary use permits to supplement each oil and gas pipeline grant to construct, operate, maintain and terminate the pipeline, and to protect public health and safety. BLM requires right-of-way permit holders to reimburse for actual costs to process application for oil and gas pipeline grants under paragraph (f) of section 28.

The nonform information in the regulation under 43 CFR 2800 and 43 CFR 2880 authorizes BLM to collect this information to administer the rights-of-way program. Without this information, BLM would not be able to properly administer its right-of-way program.

Based upon BLM experience and recent tabulations of activity, we process approximately 4,050 applications each year. Depending on the complexity of the applications for rights-of-way, responses vary from 8 to 40 hours to complete. The estimated number of responses per year is 4,050. The estimated total annual burden is 19,550 hours.

BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 31, 2001.

Michael H. Schwartz,
BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Approval Number 1004-0114**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend an existing approval to collect information from owners of unpatented claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites. BLM uses Forms 3830-2 and 3830-3 to collect this information to:

- (1) Record such claims and sites;
- (2) Determine the land status at the time of location;
- (3) Collect annual maintenance and location fees;
- (4) Process waiver of annual fees;
- (5) Process annual affidavits of labor or notices of intent to hold a mining claim or site;
- (6) Process requests for deferments from assessment work;
- (7) Process transfers of interest; and
- (8) Adjudicate such claims and sites.

The regulations under 43 CFR 3830-3833, 3840-3843, 3850-3852 authorize BLM to collect the above information to manage the general mining law activities on public lands.

DATES: You must submit your comments to BLM at the address below on or before October 22, 2001. BLM will not

necessarily consider any comments received after the above date.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to: Regulatory Affairs Group (630), Bureau of Land Management, Mailstop 401LS, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20240.

You may send comments via Internet to: WOCComment@blm.gov. Please include "ATTN: 1004-0114" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

You may deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW, Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Roger A. Haskins on (202) 452-0372 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Mr. Haskins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 5 CFR 1320.12(a) requires that we provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a collection of information to solicit comments on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of our estimate of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;

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

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

The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 30 U.S.C. 28f (Public Law 105-277), and the regulations under 43 CFR 3830-3833, 3840-3843, 3850-3852 authorizes BLM to collect information from owners of unpatented claims, mill sites and tunnel sites to manage the general mining law activities on public lands.

BLM uses Form 3830-2 (Maintenance Fee Waiver) to collect the information to waive the \$100 annual maintenance fee that owners of unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites must pay. The owners of unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel sites must

submit the following information to BLM:

(1) The mining claim names and BLM serial numbers;

(2) A declaration of owning no more than 10 claims or sites;

(3) A declaration of compliance with the assessment work requirements;

(4) The names and addresses of all owners of the claims and sites; and

(5) The owners' signatures.

BLM uses Form 3830-3 (Notice of Intent to Locate A Lode or Placer Mining Claim(s) and/or A Tunnel Site(s) on Lands Patented Under the Stock Raising Homestead Act of 1916, As Amended by the Act of April 16, 1993) to collect information on an applicant who files a notice of intent to locate or explore for a mining claim or tunnel site. The applicant must submit the following information to BLM:

(1) The name and mailing address of the applicant filing the notice of intent to locate or explore for a mining claim or tunnel site;

(2) A legal land description of the lands which the notice of intent will apply;

(3) A brief description of the proposed mineral activities;

(4) A map and legal description of lands subject to mineral exploration;

(5) The name, address, and phone number of the person managing the activities; and

(6) The dates activities will take place. BLM will use all of the information collected on recording claims, annual assessment work, notice of intent to hold, and transfer of interest to:

(1) Determine the number and location of unpatented mining claims, mill sites and tunnel sites located on Federal lands to assist in the surface management of these lands and any minerals found there;

(2) Remove any cloud on the title to those lands due to abandoned mining claims;

(3) Provide information as to the location of active claims; and

(4) Keep informed of transfers of interest and ownership.

Without this information, BLM would not be able to protect the rights of surface and mineral owners; the Government's ability to locate, control, and manage surface disturbance would be compromised; and opportunities for mineral exploration and development would be limited.

Based upon BLM experience administering FLPMA and the general mining laws, the public reporting information collection burden takes eight minutes per response. The respondents are owners of unpatented mining claims, mill sites, and tunnel

sites located on public lands and individuals or organizations who seek to explore for or locate a mining claim. The estimated number of responses per year is 364,000 and the total annual burden is 48,545 hours.

BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 30, 2001.

Michael H. Schwartz,
BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Approved Number 1004-0005

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is requesting the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend an existing approval to collect information from individuals who apply for grazing permits or leases or who apply to make changes in grazing use within the terms and conditions of existing permits and leases. BLM uses Form 4130-1 (Grazing Application) to collect information that describes the applicant's desired grazing use under a new grazing permit or lease or that describes the applicant desired changes in grazing use within the terms and conditions of an existing permit or lease. The regulations under 43 CFR 4130 authorize BLM to issue grazing permits or leases to qualified applicants and to authorize changes in grazing use within the terms and conditions of an existing permit or lease.

DATES: You must submit your comments to BLM at the address below on or before October 22, 2001. BLM will not necessarily consider any comments received after the above date.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to: Regulatory Affairs Group (630), Bureau of Land Management, Mailstop 401LS, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

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