

coastal sage scrub, 93 percent chaparral, 95 percent coastal sage/chaparral mix, and 100 percent riparian and estuarine habitats. Overall, 25,031 acres (84 percent) of the habitat in the total MHCP study area would be conserved under this alternative.

Under the no project alternative, only listed species and habitat occupied by such listed species would receive protection. It was estimated that conservation levels would include 19 percent coastal sage scrub, 31 percent chaparral, and 18 percent coastal sage/chaparral mix. Overall, 8,969 acres (30 percent) of natural habitats in the MHCP study area would be conserved under this alternative.

Once the MHCP program and draft documents are finalized and the participating cities are ready to implement the program and create the preserve system, the participating cities will need to apply for incidental take permits from the Service and California Department of Fish and Game to accommodate lawful development projects outside of the preserve system and monitoring and maintenance projects within the preserve system. At this time, the Service will publish in the **Federal Register** separate notices announcing the receipt of an Incidental Take Permit Application and draft Implementing Agreement for each city when they submit applications. The subregional MHCP and associated Subarea Plans for each city are designed to serve as a multiple species Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) pursuant to section 10 (a)(1)(B) of the federal Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended and to meet the requirements of section 2800 of the California Endangered Species Act and the NCCP Act.

The Service invites the public to comment on the draft MHCP Plan and draft EIS/EIR during a 120-day comment period. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the administrative record and may be made available to the public. This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(a) of the Endangered Species Act and regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (40 CFR 1506.6).

Dated: December 11, 2001.

John Engring,

Acting Deputy Manager, Region 1, California/Nevada Operations Office, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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OMB Approval Number 1004-0103; Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget 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 (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On August 1, 2001, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 39787) requesting comments on this proposed collection. The comment period ended on October 1, 2001. The BLM received no comments from the public in response to that notice. You may obtain copies of the proposed collection of information and related forms and explanatory material by contacting the BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer at the telephone number listed below.

The OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration your comments and suggestions on the requirement should be made within 30 days directly to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0103), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, DC 20503. Please provide a copy of your comments to the Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), 1849 C St., NW., Mail Stop 401 LS, Washington, DC 20240.

Nature of Comments: We specifically request your comments on the following:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the BLM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the burden of collecting the information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Mineral Materials Disposal (43 CFR 3600, 3601, and 3602).

OMB Approval Number: 1004-0103.

Bureau Form Number: 3600-9.

Abstract: The Bureau of Land Management proposes to extend the currently approved collection of information for the disposal of mineral materials on public lands through sales (sand, gravel, and petrified wood). BLM uses the information the applicants provide to:

- (1) Determine if the sale of the mineral materials is in the public interest;
- (2) Mitigate any environmental impacts associated with the mineral development;
- (3) Get fair market value for the materials sold; and
- (4) Prevent the trespass removal of the resource.

Frequency: annually (sometimes monthly for some contracts).

Description of Respondents:

Operators desiring sand, gravel, stone, and other mineral materials from public lands under BLM jurisdiction.

Estimated Completion Time: Varies from 15 minutes to several days for large projects, with an average of 30 minutes.

Annual Responses: 4,400.

Application Fee Per Response: 0.

There is no filing fee.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,200.

Bureau Clearance Officer: Michael Schwartz, (202) 452-5033.

Dated: December 11, 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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Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget 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 (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On July 31, 2001, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (66 FR 39526) requesting comments on this proposed collection. The comment period ended on October 1, 2001. The BLM received no comments from the public in response to that notice. You may obtain copies of the proposed collection of information and related forms and explanatory material by contacting the BLM Information Collection Clearance