

Control Number and should be sent to: Sonya Suarez, Office of Program Operations, Department of Housing & Urban Development, 451—7th Street, SW., Room 6206, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sonya Suarez, Ginnie Mae, (202) 708-2884 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Commitment to Guarantee Mortgage-Backed Securities.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2503-0001.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This form is used by Mortgage-Backed Securities issuers to apply for Ginnie Mae commitment authority to guarantee mortgage-backed securities.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: HUD Form 11704.

Members of affected public: For-profit business (mortgage companies, thrifts, savings & loans, etc.).

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection, including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:

Number of respondents—300
Frequency of responses—4 (per year)
Total annual response—1,200
Hours per response—25 (15 minutes)
Total burden hours—300

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

George S. Anderson.

Executive Vice President, Ginnie Mae.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability of the Final Joint Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Lower Fox River and Green Bay Area and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

AGENCIES: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior, lead; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior, cooperating agency; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce, cooperating agency.

ACTION: Notice of Release of Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Final Restoration Plan and EA.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public and other agencies of the availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and the document titled "Joint Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Lower Fox River and Green Bay Area" ("The Plan") upon which it is based. The Fish and Wildlife Service formally selected Alternative C of The Plan through signing of the FONSI. Alternative C provides for natural resource-based restoration within and beyond the Assessment Area.

ADDRESSES: Persons may obtain copies of the final document by writing, telephoning, faxing, or e-mailing: Colette S. Charbonneau, 2661 Scott Tower Drive, New Franken, Wisconsin 54229, Telephone: (920) 866-1726, Fax: (920) 866-1710, e-mail: colette_charbonneau@fws.gov. The document is also available at the following Internet address: <http://midwest.fws.gov/nepa/>.

Copies of the document will be available for onsite review at the Appleton Public Library, 225 N. Oneida St., Appleton, Wisconsin; Brown County Library, 515 Pine St., Green Bay, Wisconsin; Door County Library, 104 S. Fourth Ave., Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin; Oneida Community Library, 201 Elm St., Oneida, Wisconsin; Oshkosh Public Library, 106 Washington Ave., Oshkosh, Wisconsin and the Escanaba Public Library, 400 Ludington Street, Escanaba, Michigan.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The objective of the Natural Resource

Damage Assessment and Restoration process in the Lower Fox River and Green Bay area is to compensate the public, through environmental restoration, for losses to natural resources that have been caused by historic releases of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) into the environment. The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA, more commonly known as the federal "Superfund" law) [42 U.S.C. 9601, *et seq.*] and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (CWA, commonly known as the Clean Water Act) [33 U.S.C. 1251, *et seq.*] authorize States, federally recognized Tribes, and certain federal agencies that have authority to manage or control natural resources, to act as "trustees" on behalf of the public, to restore, rehabilitate, replace, and/or acquire natural resources equivalent to those harmed by hazardous substance releases.

The U.S. Department of the Interior (represented by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs), U.S. Department of Commerce (represented by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Michigan Attorney General, and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality ("Trustees") are trustees for natural resources considered in this Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration (NRDAR) project, pursuant to subpart G of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (40 CFR 300.600 and 300.610) and Executive Order 12580.

The Trustees have a Memorandum of Agreement which establishes a Trustee Council to develop and implement a restoration plan for ecological restorations in the Fox River valley and Green Bay watershed. The Trustees followed the NRDAR regulations found at 43 CFR part 11 for the development of The Plan. The Plan addresses the Trustees' overall approach to restore, rehabilitate, replace or acquire the equivalent of natural resources injured by the release of PCBs into the Lower Fox River and Green Bay environment. Signing of the FONSI completed the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process and allows the Plan to be implemented, as described in Alternative C.

The Trustees have worked together, in a cooperative process, to determine appropriate restoration activities to address natural resource injuries caused by historic releases of PCBs into the Lower Fox River and Green Bay

environment. The results of this administrative process are contained in a series of planning and decision documents that have been published for public review under CERCLA and the CWA. Natural resource damages received, either through negotiated settlements or adjudicated awards, must be used to restore, rehabilitate, replace and/or acquire the equivalent of those natural resources that have been injured. The Plan addresses the Trustees' overall approach to restore, rehabilitate, replace or acquire the equivalent of natural resources injured by the release of PCBs into the Lower Fox River and Green Bay environment.

On September 19, 2002, the Service published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 59073) a Notice of Availability commencing a 30-day public comment period on the draft document entitled, "Joint Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Lower Fox River and Green Bay Area". Comments received during the above public comment period were incorporated into a final document (The Plan). This current Notice of Availability informs the public that the Service has formally selected Alternative C of the The Plan through the signing of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347.

Dated: June 24, 2003.

T.J. Miller,

Acting Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, Region 3, Fort Snelling, MN.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WO-310-1310-PB-24 1A; OMB Control Number 1004-0074]

Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has sent a request to extend the current approved information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On August 5, 2002, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 50690) requesting comment on this information collection. The comment period ended on October 4, 2002. BLM received no comments. You may obtain copies of the 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 must 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 directed within 30 days to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0074), at OMB-OIRA via facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or e-mail to *Ruth Solomon@omb.eop.gov*.

Please provide a copy of your comments to the Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Blvd., Springfield, Virginia 22153.

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 agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;
3. Ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and
4. Ways to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Oil and Gas and Geothermal Resources Leasing (43 CFR 3120, 3209, and 3220).

OMB Control Number: 1004-0074.

Bureau Form Numbers: 3000-2 and 3200-9.

Abstract: We use the information from Form 3000-2 to determine whether a bidder is qualified to hold a lease under the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920. Also, we use the information from Form 3200-9 to conduct geothermal resource operations under the Geothermal Steam Act of 1969.

Frequency: Occasionally.

Description of Respondents: Individuals, small businesses, and large corporations.

Estimated Completion Time: 2 hours for Form 3200-9 and 10 minutes for Form 3000-2.

Annual Responses: 1,030.

Application Fee Per Response: \$0.

Annual Burden Hours: 227.

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

Dated: July 11, 2003.

Michael H. Schwartz,

Bureau of Land Management, Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WO-320-1990-PB-24 1A; OMB Control Number 1004-0025]

Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has sent a request to extend the current approved collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On July 26, 2002, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 48938) requesting comment on this information collection. The comment period ended on September 24, 2002. BLM received no comments. You may obtain copies of the 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 must 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 directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0025), at OMB-OIRA via facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or e-mail to *Ruth Solomon@omb.eop.gov*. Please provide a copy of our comments to the Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Blvd., Springfield, Virginia 22153.

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