

information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). 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 OMB control number.

We will submit a request to OMB to renew its approval of the collection of information associated with the NEPA Compliance Checklist. The Service administers several grant programs authorized by the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669–669i), the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777–777l), the Anadromous Fish Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 757a–757g), the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the Clean Vessel Act (33 U.S.C. 1322, 16 U.S.C. 777c), the Sportfishing and Boating Safety Act (16 U.S.C. 777g–l), North American Wetlands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4401–4412), the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 3951 *et seq.*), and through other Acts and authorities. The Service uses the information collected on the NEPA Compliance Checklist to determine whether a grantee complies with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (42

U.S.C. 4321–4347, 40 CFR 1500–1508). The State or other grantee uses the checklist as a guide to general NEPA requirements, and the checklist becomes an administrative record to meet their assurances requirements for receiving a grant.

Certain grant applicants must provide the information requested on the NEPA Compliance Checklist in order to qualify to receive benefits in the form of grants for purposes outlined in the applicable law. This form is designed to cause the minimum impact in the form of hourly burden on respondents and still obtain all necessary information. Only about 3 percent of the Service’s applicants for either a new grant or for an amendment to an existing grant will meet the criteria and need to complete the NEPA Compliance Checklist. The checklist needs to be prepared when (a) The proposed action is not completely covered by a categorical exclusion (*e.g.*, the proposal cannot meet the qualifying criteria in the categorical exclusion, and “is not” will be checked on the Checklist); (b) The proposed action cannot be categorically excluded because an exception to the categorical exclusion applies (*e.g.*, a “Yes” will be checked on the Checklist); (c)

Environmental conditions at or in the vicinity of the site have materially changed, affecting the consideration of alternatives and impacts (applicable to amendments and renewals); (d) There is a need to document a normally categorically excluded action that may be controversial; or (e) Additional internal review and/or documentation of the NEPA administrative record are desirable.

The current OMB control number for this information collection is 1018–0110, and the OMB approval for this collection expires on March 31, 2004. We are requesting a three year term of approval for this information collection activity.

*Title:* NEPA Compliance Checklist.

*OMB Control Number:* 1018–0110.

*Frequency of Collection:* Annually.

*Description of Respondents:* The 50 U.S. States, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Indian Tribal Governments, local governments, and others receiving grant funds.

*Annual Burden Estimates:*

Name	Completion time (per checklist)	Annual number of responses	Total annual burden hours
Checklist .....	½ hour .....	160	80

We invite comments 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.

Dated: November 7, 2003.

Anissa Craghead,

*Service Information Collection Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Public Meeting, Central Montana Resource Advisory Council**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Summary of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management ACT (FLMPA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Central Montana Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held December 3, 2003 at the Holiday Inn, in Great Falls, Montana. The meeting will begin at 8 a.m. with a one-hour public comment period. The meeting is scheduled to adjourn at approximately 5:30 p.m.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This 15-member council advises the Secretary of

the Interior, through the BLM, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in north central Montana. At this meeting, the RAC will consider these topics, which deal with the Blackleaf Project along the Rocky Mountain Front:

- A BLM/U.S. Forest Service update
- A report from Startech Energy
- An update on cultural/Native American interests
- A presentation by environmental/recreation interests
- A report from a Teton County Commissioner
- An update from Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks
- The RAC will then participate in a question/answer period with the presenters
- The RAC will then consider making recommendations concerning this project
- The RAC will then address administrative issues (next meeting date/location)

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written

comments to the RAC. Each formal RAC meeting will also have time allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, or have questions about this meeting should contact the BLM as provided below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David L. Mari, Lewistown Field Manager, Airport Road, PO Box 1160, Lewistown, MT 59457, (406) 538-7461.

Dated: November 12, 2003.

**Chuck Otto,**

*Associate Field Manager, Renewable Resources.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Lower Santa Ynez River Fish Management Plan and Cachuma Project Biological Opinion for Southern Steelhead Trout, Santa Barbara County, CA

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of comment period on Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR).

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Reclamation, the lead Federal agency, and Cachuma Operations and Maintenance Board (COMB), the State lead agency, are extending the comment period for 15 days on the Draft EIS/EIR. The original notice was published in the **Federal Register** on July 24, 2003, (68 FR 43748).

**DATES:** Public comments on the Draft EIS/EIR are to be submitted on or before September 30, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Address written comments on the Draft EIS/EIR to Mr. David Young, Bureau of Reclamation, 1243 N Street, Fresno, California 93721; or to Ms. Kate Rees, 3301 Laurel Canyon Road, Santa Barbara, California 93105-2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. David Young, Reclamation, at 559-487-5127, for the hearing impaired at 559-487-5933, or by email [dkyoung@mp.usbr.gov](mailto:dkyoung@mp.usbr.gov). You may also contact Ms. Kate Rees, COMB, at 805-569-1391 or by email [krees@cachuma-board.org](mailto:krees@cachuma-board.org).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Our practice is to make comments, including

names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from public disclosure, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There may be other circumstances in which we would withhold a respondent's identity from public disclosure, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. Reclamation will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Dated: September 15, 2003.

**Frank Michny,**

*Regional Environmental Officer, Mid-Pacific Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Battle Creek Salmon and Steelhead Restoration Project, Tehama and Shasta Counties, CA

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of time for review of Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR).

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation), the lead Federal agency; the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, a cooperating Federal agency and the State Water Resources Control Board, the State lead agency, are extending the review period for the Draft EIS/EIR to October 16, 2003. The notice of availability of the Draft EIS/EIR and notice of public workshop and notice of public hearing was published in the **Federal Register** on July 18, 2003 (68 FR 42758). The public review period was originally to end on September 16, 2003.

**DATES:** Public comments on the Draft EIS/EIR are to be submitted on or before October 16, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on the Draft EIS/EIR are to be addressed to Ms. Mary Marshall, Bureau of Reclamation, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825 and to Mr. Jim Canaday, State Water Resources Control Board, 1001 I Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Mary Marshall, Reclamation, at (916) 978-5248, TDD (916) 978-5608, e-mail: [mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov](mailto:mmarshall@mp.usbr.gov) or Mr. Jim Canaday, SWRCB, at (916) 341-5308, e-mail: [jcanaday@waterrights.swrcb.ca.gov](mailto:jcanaday@waterrights.swrcb.ca.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from public disclosure, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There may be other circumstances in which we would withhold a respondent's identity from public disclosure, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Dated: September 4, 2003.

**Frank Michny,**

*Regional Environmental Officer, Mid-Pacific Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

#### Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 1029-0094 and 1029-0098

**AGENCY:** Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection requests for the titles described below have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The information collection requests describe the nature of the information collections and their expected burden and cost.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before December 18, 2003, to be assured of consideration.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request a copy of either information collection request, explanatory