

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Information Collection Renewal To Be Sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA); 1018-0109; Federal Aid Grant Application Booklet

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service (We) will send a request to OMB to renew approval for the collection of information described below under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This information collection covers the following types of grant programs: Sport Fish Restoration, Wildlife Restoration, Coastal Wetland Restoration, Clean Vessel, Boating Infrastructure, and Partnerships for Wildlife and Endangered Species.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before October 3, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the information collection to Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (mail);

hope_grey@fws.gov (e-mail); or (703) 358-2269 (fax).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection requirements or explanatory information, contact Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at the above addresses or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on 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.

The Federal Aid Grant Application Booklet offers the public information on how to apply for certain Federal grants. This information collection is authorized by the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777-777l), Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669-669i), Partnerships for Wildlife Act (16 U.S.C. 3741), and the Coastal Wetlands Planning, Protection and Restoration

Act (16 U.S.C. 3954). We collect information relevant to eligibility, substantiality, relative value, and budget information from applicants in order to make awards of grants under these programs. We also collect financial and performance information to track costs and accomplishments of these grant programs. We need the information collected to support the grant work of our Division of Federal Assistance. In this renewal request, we plan to make minimal changes to the booklet to make it easier for the public to understand and use. The current OMB control number for this information collection is 1018-0109, and the OMB approval for this collection expires on October 31, 2004. We are requesting a 3-year term of approval for this information collection activity.

Title: Federal Aid Grant Application Booklet.

OMB Control Number: 1018-0109.

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, and not-for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Estimates:

Name	Completion time per grant	Total annual number of responses	Total annual burden hours
Initial Proposal	80 hours	4,000	320,000
Amendment	2 hours	1,750	3,500
Totals		5,750	323,500

We invite comments on: (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not 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: June 29, 2005.

Hope Grey,
Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability of the Final Comprehensive Conservation Plan, Finding of No Significant Impact, and Summary for Sacramento River National Wildlife Refuge, Tehama, Butte, Glenn and Colusa Counties, CA

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Sacramento River National Wildlife Refuge Final Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP), Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), and Summary are available for distribution. The CCP, prepared pursuant to the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act as amended, and in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969,

describes how the Service will manage the Refuge for the next 15 years. The compatibility determinations for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, environmental education and interpretation, research, camping and recreational boating, farming, grazing and mosquito control are also available with the CCP.

DATES: The Final CCP and FONSI are available now. The FONSI was signed on March 21, 2005. Implementation of the CCP will begin immediately.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Final CCP, FONSI, and Summary may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Attn: Jackie Ferrier, Refuge Planner, Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge Complex, 752 County Road 99W, Willows, California 95988. Copies of these documents may be viewed at this address. The Final CCP, FONSI and Summary are also available online for

viewing and downloading at <http://pacific.fws.gov/planning> or <http://sacramentovalleyrefuges.fws.gov>.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Jackie Ferrier, Refuge Planner, Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge Complex, 752 County Road 99W, Willows, California 95988; telephone 530-934-2801; fax 530-934-7814.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Refuge was established in 1989 by the authority provided under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, and the Emergency Wetlands Resources Act of 1986, using funds made available through the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965. Sacramento River Refuge is part of the Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge Complex located in the Sacramento Valley of north-central California. The Refuge is located along both banks of the Sacramento River between Red Bluff and Princeton, California, in Glenn, Butte, and Tehama Counties. The 10,304-acre Refuge is managed to maintain, enhance and restore habitats for threatened and endangered species, migratory birds, anadromous fish and native fish, wildlife, and plants.

The availability of the Draft CCP and Environmental Assessment (EA) for a 45-day public review and comment period was published in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, June 29, 2004, in volume 69, number 124. The Draft CCP/EA identified and evaluated three alternatives for managing the Refuge for the next 15 years. Alternative A was the no-action alternative which described current Refuge management activities. Alternative B, the selected alternative, will continue to emphasize restoration for migratory birds and threatened and endangered species. The Refuge will be open for wildlife dependent public uses and management programs will be expanded. Alternative C would accelerate habitat restoration and maximize public use and is similar to Alternative B except the agricultural program would end immediately and hunting would be allowed on larger percentage of the Refuge.

The Service received 1,187 comment letters on the Draft CCP and EA. The comments were incorporated into the CCP when appropriate, and are otherwise addressed in an appendix to the CCP. Alternative B was selected for implementation and is the basis for the Final CCP.

Under Alternative B, the focus of the Refuge will be to continue to restore and maintain riparian habitat for threatened

and endangered species, migratory birds, anadromous and native fish, wildlife, and plants. The Refuge will use active and passive management practices to achieve and maintain full restoration/enhancement of all units (5,855 acres) where appropriate, as funding becomes available. The agricultural program will be phased out as restoration funding becomes available. Under Alternative B, the Service will improve and expand visitor services with a focus on a balance of priority public use opportunities distributed throughout the entire Refuge. New visitor services projects under this alternative include: developing interpretive kiosks, creating a new refuge brochure, and constructing walking trails and parking facilities on vehicle accessible units. Hunting opportunities will increase under Alternative B. Approximately 52 percent of the Refuge will be opened to hunting dove, waterfowl, coot, common moorhen, pheasant, quail, snipe, turkey, and deer. Hunting will be limited to shotgun or archery only. Twenty-three riverbank miles and seasonally submerged areas will be opened to sport fishing consistent with State regulations. Camping will be allowed on gravels bars below the ordinary high water mark.

This alternative was selected for implementation because it includes needed improvements in migratory bird and special status species management and makes an important contribution to regional biodiversity. It also provides a balanced mix of compatible wildlife-dependant recreation opportunities to meet the growing demand in the region. Implementation of this alternative will require additional staff and funding.

Dated: July 27, 2005.

Steve Thompson,

Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: The public is invited to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species and/or marine mammals.

DATES: Written data, comments or requests must be received by September 2, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice to: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 700, Arlington, Virginia 22203; fax 703/358-2281.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Division of Management Authority, telephone 703/358-2104.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Endangered Species

The public is invited to comment on the following application(s) for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Written data, comments, or requests for copies of these complete applications should be submitted to the Director (address above).

Applicant: John D. Teeter, Hickory, NC, PRT-104056.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Gino A. Harrison, Newberg, OR, PRT-105859.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: August S. Haugen, Springfield, OR, PRT-105804.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Craig S. Phillips, Tomball, TX, PRT-106368.

The applicant requests a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus*