

recreation2300@fs.fed.us. If comments are sent by e-mail or facsimile, the public is requested not to send duplicate comments via mail. Please confine comments to issues pertinent to the proposed extension with revisions of the currently approved information collection, explain the reasons for any recommended changes, and where possible, reference the specific item being addressed.

The public may inspect comments received in the Office of the Director, Recreation and Heritage Staff, 4th Floor South, Sidney R. Yates Federal Building, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20024 on business days between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (202) 205-1169 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Eberlien, Recreation and Heritage Staff, at (202) 205-1169. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Recreation Fee Administration.

OMB Number: 0596-0106.

Expiration Date of Approval: July 1, 2006.

Type of Request: Extension with Revision.

Abstract: The Federal Lands Recreation and Enhancement Act (16 U.S.C. 6801-6814) authorizes the Forest Service to collect recreation fees for use of government facilities and services.

Two categories of information are collected through two forms. The first, FS-2300-26, Recreation Fee Envelope, is a form used to document when visitors pay a required recreation fee. The second, FS-2300-43, The Rules of Occupancy for Short-term, Non-Commercial Use of Government Facilities, is used to schedule requests for use and occupancy of government owned facilities. Previously designated as FS-2700-3e under 0596-0082, the Forest Service proposes to redesignate this form under 0596-0106 as FS-2300-43.

Currently, the information collected for FS-2300-26 includes a visitor's vehicle license number and registered state, Golden Passport Number (if applicable), number of days paid, and dollar amount enclosed. The Forest Service is not proposing to change this information. This information is used to ensure that visitors have paid a required recreation fee.

Currently, the information collected for FS-2300-43 includes a renter's

contact information such as name, address, and phone number. The information will be collected when the visitor is paying the recreation fee or when a person is applying for rental of a government owned facility. The Forest Service is proposing to change only the number of the form.

The information will be collected by Federal employees and agents who are authorized to collect the recreation fees or rent government facilities. A national forest may use zip codes to help determine where the national forest's visitor base originates. Personal information such as names, addresses, and vehicle registration will not be maintained. Collecting this information is important to ensure that the national forests are able to evaluate whether a visitor has paid a required recreation fee and to rent a government owned facility.

If unable to collect this information, national forests would not be able to verify who has paid a recreation fee. National forests would not be able to schedule and rent government-owned facilities to the public successfully.

Estimate of Annual Burden: (1) FS-2300-26 estimated 3 minutes; (2) FS-2300-43 estimated 15 minutes.

Type of Respondents: Individuals.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: FS-2300-26 estimated 2 million. FS-2300-43 estimated 10,000.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: FS-2300-26—1; FS-2300-43—1

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: FS-2300-26—1,666 hours; FS-2300-43—42 hours.

Comment is invited on: (1) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical or scientific utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: February 27, 2006.

Gloria Manning,

Associate Deputy Chief, NFS.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; Request for Comment; Health Screening Questionnaire

AGENCIES: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the extension with revision of the information collection process for health screening of individuals who seek certification or recertification for firefighter positions. This process is known as the Health Screening Questionnaire. The process applies to individuals applying for firefighter positions and to Forest Service firefighters to determine if they meet the qualifications to perform safely their assigned duties as a firefighter.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before May 2, 2006 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Ron Hanks, Forest Service National Aviation Safety and Training Officer, National Interagency Fire Center, Forest Service, USDA, 3833 South Development Avenue, Boise, ID 83705-5354.

Comments also may be submitted via facsimile to (208) 387-5607 or by e-mail to: rhanks@fs.fed.us.

The public may inspect comments received at the National Safety Office, National Interagency Fire Center, Forest Service, USDA, 3833 Development Avenue, Boise, ID, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday m.d.t. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (208) 387-5607 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Hanks, Forest Service National Aviation Safety and Training Officer, at (208) 387-5607. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Health Screening Questionnaire.

OMB Number: 0596-0164.

Expiration Date of Approval: June 30, 2006.

Type of Request: Extension with Revision.

Abstract: The Protection Act of 1922 (16 U.S.C. 594) authorizes the Forest Service to fight fires on National Forest System lands. The individuals that perform firefighter jobs are subjected to strenuous working conditions requiring long hours of arduous labor. It is imperative they be in peak physical condition to avoid injury to themselves or their coworkers.

Current or prospective firefighters must complete the Health Screening Questionnaire (HSQ) when seeking employment as a new firefighter with the Forest Service or seeking recertification as a firefighter. The information collected pertains to an individual's health status and health history in an effort to determine if any physical conditions exist or have developed that might result in injury or death during fitness testing or when fighting a wildfire. Forest Service employees will evaluate the collected information to determine if the individual seeking certification or recertification may begin a fitness program to train for the arduous level "Pack Test" of the Work Capacity Tests. If Forest Service employees determine, based on the collected information, that an individual may not be physically able to train for the arduous level of the Work Capacity Test, the agency will require the individual to undergo a physical examination from a physician.

Information collected will be evaluated by a human resource specialist within the specific unit office to ensure that individuals applying for a position or seeking recertification meet the fitness requirements of the position. Forest Service employees will collect general information about the current health of the individual such as height, weight, current level of fitness activity, previous serious health injuries, diseases, or heart conditions, and special current conditions such as allergies and diabetes. The form will be revised to exclude the words "or over the counter" from the second item under "Section A" under subhead "Other Health Issues." We make this change because prescription medications indicate a condition being treated by a physician, and therefore, represent an indication of the individual's health. Individuals determined in sufficient health will be asked to complete the "Work Capacity Tests," which would include testing the level of an individual's aerobic fitness,

level of muscular strength, and muscle endurance.

Failure to collect this data will result in a higher number of unwanted injuries, or even deaths, during the "Work Capacity Test" and while working on wildland fires. If the data is not collected annually, there will be no way to determine if an individual's condition has changed since the previous year.

The information provided by an individual will be placed in the person's Official Employee Medical File and any release of the information will be in accordance with the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). Data gathered in this information collection is not available from other sources.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 5 Minutes.

Type of Respondents: Current employees requesting certification or recertification as a firefighter (Incident Qualifications and Certification Card) and applicants seeking Forest Service firefighter positions.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 15,000.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondents: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1,250 hours.

Comment Is Invited

Comment is invited on: (1) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the agencies, including whether the information will have practical or scientific utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: February 17, 2006.

Robin L. Thompson,
Associate Deputy Chief, S&PF.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Nez Perce National Forest; Idaho County, ID; Meadow Face Stewardship Pilot Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1502.9)

SUMMARY: The Forest Service will prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement ("SEIS") for the Meadow Face Stewardship Pilot Project on the Nez Perce National Forest, Clearwater Ranger District, in Idaho County, Idaho, for the purpose of completing the cumulative effects analysis referred to in United States District Court Judge Edward J. Lodge's March 31, 2005 unpublished order in *Friends of the Clearwater v. Lohn*, Case No. CV04-384-C-EJL (D. Idaho). The court in that case issued a preliminary injunction against further timber harvesting under the Meadow Face Project until the Forest Service complies with the requirements for a cumulative effects analysis under the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA"). The court stated, quoting *Lands Council v. Powell*, 395 F.3d 1019 (9th Cir. 2005), that the final environmental impact statement ("FEIS") for the Meadow Face Project "should have provided adequate data of time, type, place and scale of past timber harvest and should have explained in sufficient detail how different project plans and harvest methods affected the environment." *Friends of the Clearwater*, unpub. ord. at 31 (quoting *Lands Council*, 395 F.3d 1019 at 1028). Regarding the FEIS's analysis of cumulative effects from grazing, the court stated as follows:

The Forest Service's analysis of grazing * * * does not specifically describe the history of grazing in the Project Area, *i.e.*, by providing a catalog of where, and how much, grazing has occurred in the Watershed, or where and the extent to which it is occurring now. The agency's failure to provide adequate data of time, type, place and scale of past, present and reasonably foreseeable grazing activities in the Project Area precludes the public and the decision maker from having necessary information to evaluate the alternatives presented in the FEIS.

Id. at 32. The Forest Service hereby gives notice that it will prepare a SEIS in response to the court's preliminary injunction order.

DATES: Comments concerning the cumulative effects analysis must be received by April 17, 2006.