

## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Form I-590, Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request

**ACTION:** 30-Day Notice of Information Collection Under Review: Form I-590, Registration for Classification as Refugee; OMB Control Number 1615-0068.

The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection was previously published in the **Federal Register** on July 3, 2007, at 72 FR 36475. The notice allowed for a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received on this information collection.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until October 11, 2007. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd floor, Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352 or via e-mail at [rfs.regs@dhs.gov](mailto:rfs.regs@dhs.gov), and to the OMB USCIS Desk Officer via facsimile at 202-395-6974 or via e-mail at [kastrich@omb.eop.gov](mailto:kastrich@omb.eop.gov).

When submitting comments by e-mail please make sure to add OMB Control Number 1615-0068 in the subject box. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate 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) Evaluate the accuracy of the agencies estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques and forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

#### *Overview of this information collection:*

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Registration for Classification as Refugee.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:* Form I-590. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary:* Individuals or households. This information collection provides a uniform method for applicants to apply for refugee status and contains the information needed in order to adjudicate such applications.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 140,000 responses at 35 minutes (.583) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 81,620 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please visit the USCIS Web site at: <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmpublic/component/main>. We may also be contacted at: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529, telephone number 202-272-8377.

Dated: September 6, 2007.

**Richard A. Sloan,**

*Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Proposed Supplementary Rule To Establish Application Fees for Commercial, Competitive, and Organized Group Activity and Event Special Recreation Permits

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

**ACTION:** Proposed Supplementary rule to establish application fees for Special Recreation Permits (SRP) for commercial use, competitive use, and organized group activities and events.

**SUMMARY:** The Colorado State Office of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to establish a supplementary rule addressing Special Recreation Permit (SRP) fees. The proposal would establish standard statewide application fees for issuance of a new SRP or the transfer or renewal of an SRP for commercial use, competitive use, or organized group activities and events. These fees would help offset the cost of processing these SRPs, and also allow field offices to keep more revenues for on-the-ground work, including law enforcement, hiring seasonal employees, and site improvements. Currently, there are no statewide application fees. These new fees will not affect cost recovery charges that begin with the first hour when the 50-hour cost recovery threshold is anticipated to be exceeded. The application fees proposed to go into effect on October 1, 2007, are:

- New Special Recreation Permits—\$100
- Renewals (re-issuance of expiring/expired permits)—\$50
- Transfers—\$100
- Annual operating authorizations—No fee charged

These fees do not apply to SRPs issued to individuals and authorizing use of designated Special Areas.

**DATES:** You should submit your written comments on the proposed supplementary rule by November 13, 2007. Comments that are received after the close of the comment period or comments delivered to an address other than those listed under **ADDRESSES** need not be considered or included in the Administrative Record for the final supplementary rule.

#### **ADDRESSES:**

(1) You may mail comments on the proposed supplementary rules to Jack Placchi, Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield, Lakewood, Colorado 80215;

(2) You may hand deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management Colorado State Office, at the same address.

(3) You may email your comment to [jack\\_placchi@blm.gov](mailto:jack_placchi@blm.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jack Placchi, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Office, 2850 Youngfield, Lakewood, Colorado 80215 (303) 239-3832.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- I. Procedures for Submitting Comments
- II. Background
- III. Procedural Matters
- IV. Proposed Supplementary Rule for the BLM Colorado SRP Application Fee

#### **I. Procedures for Submitting Comments**

Comments on the proposed supplementary rule should be specific, should be confined to issues pertinent to the proposals, and should explain the reason for any recommended change. Where possible, comments should reference the specific provision of the proposed supplementary rule that is being addressed.

BLM will have all comments, including names and addresses, available for public review at the Colorado State Office in Lakewood during regular business hours (8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays). Before including your address, telephone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, be advised that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold from public review your personal identifying information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

#### **II. Background**

In general, all commercial use, competitive use, organized group activities, special events, and special area use on BLM public lands require a Special Recreation Permit (SRP). BLM Colorado manages over 800 SRPs annually for commercial use, competitive use, and organized group activities and events.

BLM Colorado is proposing to implement new application fees for the issuance of new SRPs and for the transfer and renewal of existing SRPs. The new administrative fees will be \$100 for new permits, \$50 for renewal, and \$100 for transfers. The average cost to existing permit holders will be \$10 per year, as most permits are renewed every five years. This fee does not apply

to SRPs issued to individuals for special area use.

A statewide application fee will make consistent the cost of applying for and processing SRPs for commercial use, competitive use, or organized group activities and events. Currently Colorado offices have been requiring a \$90 minimum use fee for new permit applications. If a permit is not issued, some offices return the funds while others keep the fees to offset the costs of evaluation.

The new fees funds will augment recreation opportunities for the public. Both the public and private outfitters will benefit from the fee through BLM's increased law enforcement capabilities, providing more funds for signing and interpretive education and for a greater BLM staff field presence to control illegal operations on BLM-managed public lands.

Pursuant to 43 CFR 2932.31(d)(1)–(2) and BLM Manual H–2930–1, Recreation Permit Administration at Ch. 1, III. G. 2f(1), the State Director has the authority to set and adjust fees for SRPs, including application fees.

#### **III. Procedural Matters**

##### *Executive Order 12866, Regulatory Planning and Review*

The proposed supplementary rule establishing SRP application fees is not a significant regulatory action under Executive Order 12866. This proposed supplementary rule will not have an annual effect of \$100 million or more on the economy. It will not adversely affect in a material way the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or state, local, or tribal governments or communities. The proposed supplementary rule will not create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency. The proposed rule does not materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of their recipients; nor does it raise novel legal or policy issues. It imposes minimal fees for the administration and processing of SRP applications.

Fees have not been consistently charged for SRP applications in the past. While this proposal represents a change from the past administration policies, it will not be a major change in the context of the Executive Order. The fees have been discussed with the Colorado Outfitters Association. Additional limited consultation has also occurred with current SRP holders. Information concerning the proposed new fees will

be available on the BLM Web site, through press releases, and distributed to current SRP holders.

#### *Clarity of the Supplementary Rules*

Executive Order 12866 requires each agency to write regulations that are simple and easy to understand. The BLM invites comments on how to make this proposed supplementary rule easier to understand, including answers to questions such as the following: (1) Are the requirements in the proposed supplementary rules clearly stated? (2) Does the proposed supplementary rule contain technical language or jargon that interferes with its clarity? (3) Does the format of the proposed supplementary rule (grouping and order of sections, use of headings, paragraphing, etc.) aid or reduce its clarity? (4) Would the supplementary rule be easier to understand if it was divided into more (but shorter) sections? and (5) Is the discussion of the proposed supplementary rule in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this preamble helpful to your understanding of the proposed supplementary rule? If not, how could this material be more helpful in making the proposed supplementary rule easier to understand?

Please send any comments you have on the clarity of the supplementary rule to the address specified in the **ADDRESSES** section.

#### *National Environmental Policy Act*

BLM has found that the proposed supplementary rule is categorically excluded from environmental review under section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act, pursuant to 516 Departmental Manual (DM), Chapter 2, Appendix 1. This provision of the DM excludes from review under NEPA policies, directives, and regulations that are of an administrative, financial, or procedural nature and whose environmental effects are too broad, speculative, or conjectural to lend themselves to meaningful analysis and will later be subject to the NEPA process, either collectively or case by case. In addition, the proposed rule does not meet any of the 12 criteria for extraordinary circumstances listed in 516 DM, Chapter 2, Appendix 2. Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR 1508.4) and the environmental policies and procedures of the Department of the Interior, the term “categorical exclusions” means a category of actions which do not individually or cumulatively have a significant effect on the human environment and that have been found to have no such effect in

procedures adopted by a Federal agency and for which neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

#### *Regulatory Flexibility Act*

Congress enacted the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 (RFA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, to ensure that government regulations do not unnecessarily or disproportionately burden small entities. The RFA requires a regulatory flexibility analysis if a rule would have a significant economic impact, either detrimental or beneficial, on a substantial number of small entities. The proposed supplementary rule and fees will have a minimal effect on outfitter guide business entities. The average cost to existing permit holders will be \$10 per year, as most permits are renewed every five years.

To determine an appropriate fee structure, the BLM interviewed BLM SRP managers across Colorado. Those interviewed included recreation permit and license managers of local and regional recreational programs, including Arkansas Headwaters State Recreation Area, Colorado Department of Regulatory Affairs, and Colorado State Parks River Outfitter Licensing Program. The BLM also interviewed the Executive Director of the Colorado Outfitters Association. The proposed fees are a fraction of the cost of comparable application and license fees across the State.

BLM has determined under the RFA that the proposed supplementary rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

#### *Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act (SBREFA)*

This proposed supplementary rule is not a “major rule” as defined at 5 U.S.C. 804(2). It will not result in an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more, in a major increase in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries, government agencies or regions, or in significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises. It will merely impose reasonable fees for SRP applications to offset costs for processing permits.

#### *Unfunded Mandates Reform Act*

The proposed supplementary rule does not impose an unfunded mandate on state, local, or tribal governments, in the aggregate, or the private sector, of more than \$100 million per year; nor does the proposed supplementary rule

have a significant or unique effect on small governments. Therefore, BLM is not required to prepare a statement containing the information required by the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act at (2 U.S.C. 1532). The proposed rule will impose reasonable fees for SRP applications to offset costs for processing permits. In determining the proposed SRP application fees, the BLM has coordinated with local, state, and Federal agencies.

#### *Executive Order 12630, Governmental Actions and Interference With Constitutionally Protected Property Rights (Takings)*

The proposed supplementary rule does not have takings implications and is not a government action capable of interfering with constitutionally protected property rights. The proposed supplementary rule would have minimal effect on private lands or property. Therefore, the Department of the Interior has determined that the rule would not cause a taking of private property or require preparation of a takings assessment under this Executive Order.

#### *Executive Order 13132, Federalism*

The proposed supplementary rule would not have a substantial direct effect on the states, on the relationship between the national government and the states, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. The proposed supplementary rule would have minimal effect on state or local government. As for the SRP application fee to be imposed, BLM has coordinated with local, state, and Federal agencies, consulted with managers of local and regional recreational programs, including Arkansas Headwaters State Recreation Area, Colorado Department of Regulatory Affairs, and Colorado State Parks River Outfitter Licensing Program, before proposing the new fees for SRPs. Therefore, in accordance with Executive Order 13132, BLM has determined that the proposed supplementary rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to warrant preparation of a Federalism Assessment.

#### *Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform*

Under Executive Order 12988, we have found that the proposed supplementary rule would not unduly burden the judicial system and that it meets the requirements of sections 3(a) and 3(b)(2) of the Order.

#### *Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination With Indian Tribal Governments*

In accordance with Executive Order 13175, the BLM has found that the proposed supplementary rule for the BLM Colorado SRP application fee does not include policies that have tribal implications.

#### *Executive Order 13352, Facilitation of Cooperative Conservation*

In accordance with E.O. 13352, BLM has determined that this proposed rule would not impede cooperative conservation; would take appropriate account of and consider the interests of persons with ownership or other legally recognized interests in land or other natural resources; would properly accommodate local participation in the Federal decision-making process; and would enhance the ability of the BLM to see that Colorado BLM programs, projects, and activities are consistent with protecting public health and safety.

#### *Paperwork Reduction Act*

The proposed supplementary rule does not contain information collection requirements that the Office of Management and Budget must approve under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

#### *Author*

The principal author of the proposed supplementary rule is Jack Placchi, Outdoor Recreation Planner, Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management.

### **IV. Special Recreation Permit (SRP) Application Fees—BLM Colorado Proposed Supplementary Rule**

The Colorado State Office, BLM, hereby proposes a supplementary rule to establish application fees for special recreation permits for commercial uses, competitive uses, or organized group activities and events use of BLM lands in Colorado. This supplementary rule is proposed to go into effect on October 1, 2007. The fees schedule will be posted in all Colorado Field and State Offices and on the Internet at <http://www.co.blm.gov>.

The fees for special recreation permit applications are:

- New Special Recreation Permits—\$100.
- Renewals (re-issuance of expiring/expired permits)—\$50.
- Transfers—\$100.
- Annual operating authorizations—No fee charged.

These fees do not apply to SRPs issued to individuals and authorizing use of designated Special Areas.

**Authority**

The Colorado State Office, Bureau of Land Management, proposes this supplementary rule under the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA), 43 U.S.C. 1740, 43 CFR 2932.31(d)(1)–(2), 8365.1–6, and BLM Manual H–2930–1. Enforcement authority for this supplementary rule on the public lands within Colorado is found in FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1733, and in 43 CFR 8360.0–7.

**Penalties**

Under section 303(a) of FLPMA, 43 U.S.C. 1733(a), and 43 CFR 8360.0–7, if you violate this supplementary rule on public lands within the boundaries established in the rule, you may be tried before a United States Magistrate and fined no more than \$1,000 or imprisoned for no more than 12 months, or both.

Dated: May 8, 2007.

**Sally Wisely,**

*Colorado State Director.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Reclamation**

**Rio Grande and Low Flow Conveyance Channel Between San Acacia Diversion Dam, New Mexico, and the Narrows of Elephant Butte Reservoir, New Mexico**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of cancellation.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Reclamation is canceling plans to prepare a final environmental impact statement (EIS) on the environmental impacts of proposed modifications to the main channel of the Rio Grande and Low Flow Conveyance Channel system. The reason for canceling is that seven years have elapsed since publication of the draft EIS and the recently issued final EIS and Record of Decision for the Upper Rio Grande Basin Water Operations Review considers the impacts of continuing the operation of the Low Flow Conveyance Channel as a passive drain with no diversion from the Rio Grande.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lori Robertson, Bureau of Reclamation, Albuquerque Area Office, 55 Broadway NE., Suite 100, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102; e-mail: [lrobertson@uc.usbr.gov](mailto:lrobertson@uc.usbr.gov); telephone (505) 462–3594.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On December 11, 1996, the Bureau of Reclamation published a Notice of Intent to prepare a draft EIS in the **Federal Register**. The draft EIS was filed with the Environmental Protection Agency on September 8, 2000. The purpose of the document was to analyze the environmental impacts of proposed modifications to the main channel for the Rio Grande and Low Flow Conveyance Channel system. The proposed modifications were to be located downstream from San Marcial, New Mexico. The proposed channel system realignment would have allowed for efficient conveyance of water to Elephant Butte Reservoir, effective valley drainage, and effective sediment management. The proposed changes would have also promoted the protection and restoration of the riparian and riverine ecosystem in the project area.

Dated: August 16, 2007.

**Dave Sabo,**

*Acting Regional Director—UC Region, Bureau of Reclamation.*

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**INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**

**Agency Form Submitted for OMB Review**

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** In accordance with the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Commission has submitted a request for approval of questionnaires to the Office of Management and Budget for review.

*Purpose of Information Collection:* The forms are for use by the Commission in connection with investigation No. 332–487, Wood Flooring and Hardwood Plywood: Competitive Conditions Affecting the U.S. Industries, instituted under the authority of section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1332(g)). This investigation was requested by the Senate Committee on Finance. The Commission expects to deliver the results of its investigation to the Senate Committee on Finance on June 6, 2008.

*Summary of Proposal:*

- (1) *Number of forms submitted:* Two.
- (2) *Title of form:* Wood Flooring and Hardwood Plywood: Competitive Conditions Affecting the U.S. Industries.
- (3) *Type of request:* New.

(4) *Frequency of use:* Producer and importer questionnaires, single data gathering, scheduled for 2007.

(5) *Description of respondents:* U.S. firms which produce and/or import wood flooring and hardwood plywood.

(6) *Estimated number of respondents:* 422 (producer and importer questionnaires-total).

(7) *Estimated total number of hours to complete the forms:* 16,880.

(8) Information obtained from the form that qualifies as confidential business information will be so treated by the Commission and not disclosed in a manner that would reveal the individual operations of a firm.

*Additional Information or Comment:* Copies of the forms and supporting documents may be obtained from Cynthia B. Foreso (USITC, telephone no. (202) 205–3348) or Gail Burns (USITC, telephone no. (202) 205–2501). Comments about the proposals should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Room 10102 (Docket Library), Washington, DC 20503, *Attention:* Docket Librarian. All comments should be specific, indicating which part of the questionnaire is objectionable, describing the concern in detail, and including specific suggested revisions or language changes. Copies of any comments should be provided to Robert Rogowsky, Director, Office of Operations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, who is the Commission's designated Senior Official under the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Secretary at 202–205–2000. Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting our TTD terminal (telephone no. 202–205–1810). General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

Issued: September 4, 2007.

By order of the Commission.

**Marilyn R. Abbott,**

*Secretary to the Commission.*

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