

A 90-day comment period on the Draft EIR/EIS ended on April 11, 2008. Nine workshops and five public participation hearings were held during the comment period, and over 2,500 pages of written comments were submitted. After the comment period, two additional public participation hearing were held on May 12, 2008.

Under CEQA, recirculation is required when significant new information changes the EIR in a way that deprives the public of a meaningful opportunity to comment upon a substantial adverse environmental effect of the project or a feasible way to mitigate or avoid such an effect. New information may include changes in the project or environmental setting as well as additional data or other information. Under the regulations implementing NEPA (40 CFR 1502.9(c)(2)(ii)), a supplement to an EIS is required when there are significant new circumstances or information relevant to the environmental concerns related to the proposed project or its impacts. In this case, the new information involves changes to the "connected actions" analyzed in the Draft EIR/EIS and route revisions ("reroutes") proposed by SDG&E in comments on the Draft EIR/EIS. The RDEIR/SDEIS includes the following components:

1. *Revision of components of the Environmentally Superior Alternatives for northern and southern transmission lines.* Because of Tribal opposition, the Interstate 8 Alternative now bypasses the Campo Reservation. Without Tribal approval it was also necessary to modify the Southern Environmentally Superior Route to avoid all tribal lands, following the BCD Alternative and BCD South Option. The Northern Environmentally Superior Route has been modified to add consideration of an additional underground segment in the Santa Ysabel Valley.

2. *New and Revised Analysis of the La Rumorosa Wind Project.* In December 2007, Sempra Generation submitted to the U.S. Department of Energy an Application for Presidential Permit, proposing a 1,250 megawatt (MW) wind project in Mexico that would include the construction of transmission lines into the United States, and a new substation located northeast of the town of Jacumba, California. The Draft EIR/EIS, in its evaluation of "connected actions" and "indirect effects", analyzed a 250 MW wind project in Mexico that included the construction of a transmission line and a "Jacumba Substation." However, the wind project considered in the Draft EIR/EIS was much smaller than the actual project as described by Sempra. As a result, the

RDEIR/SDEIS presents new "connected action" and "indirect effects" analysis of the Sempra project.

3. *Description and Analysis of Transmission Line Route Revisions.* In comments on the Draft EIR/EIS, SDG&E proposed modifications to several segments of the Proposed and Alternative transmission line routes. Some of these reroutes would affect new landowners, change the potential effect on already-affected landowners, or otherwise change the environmental impact described in the Draft EIR/EIS. The RDEIR/SDEIS describes 13 reroutes.

The CPUC and BLM evaluated all comments on the Draft EIR/EIS and determined that other requests for a recirculated/supplemental document did meet the requirements defined above. The Final EIR/EIS will respond to each comment requesting recirculation, explaining why this determination was made.

An informational workshop will be held to help the public understand the RDEIR/SDEIS, and to explain how to participate in the CPUC and BLM decision-making processes. The informal workshop is an opportunity to speak with and ask questions of CPUC and BLM representatives and some of the specialists who prepared the RDEIR/SDEIS. A brief presentation will summarize the EIR/EIS process, the information presented in the RDEIR/SDEIS, and the decision making-process. Presentation notes will be available on the project Web site for those unable to attend. While written comments may be submitted during the workshop, there will be no facilities to record oral comments.

Comments received may be published as part of the EIR/EIS process. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware 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 your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

At the end of the 45-day comment period on the RDEIR/SDEIS, the CPUC and BLM will prepare a Final EIR/EIS. The Final EIR/EIS will respond to all comments received on the Draft EIR/EIS and on the RDEIR/SDEIS.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Public Meeting, BLM-Alaska Resource Advisory Council

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

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

**DATES:** The meeting will be held August 12, 2008, at the Wiseman Community Center, Wiseman, Alaska; Milepost 189 of the Dalton Highway. The meeting, which will provide an opportunity for residents of the Dalton Highway to meet Resource Advisory Council members and discuss local topics, will start at 2:30 p.m. and end at 4:30 p.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharon Wilson, BLM-Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513. Telephone (907) 271-4418 or e-mail [Sharon\\_Wilson@blm.gov](mailto:Sharon_Wilson@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Alaska. At this meeting, BLM District Managers will give updates on district activities and the status of resource management planning, discuss local issues introduced by residents of the area and receive public comment on BLM-related matters.

Depending on the number of people wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited, so please be prepared to submit written comments if necessary. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware 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 your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign

language interpretation, transportation, or other reasonable accommodations, should contact BLM.

Dated: July 7, 2008.

**Thomas P. Lonnie,**

*State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### 60-Day Notice of Intention To Request Clearance of Collection of Information: Opportunity for Public Comment

**AGENCY:** Department of the Interior, National Park Service.

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

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and 5 CFR part 1320, Reporting and Recordkeeping Requirements, the National Park Service (NPS) invites public comments on an extension of a currently approved collection of information (OMB #1024-0018).

**DATES:** Public comments on this Information Collection Request (ICR) will be accepted on or before September 9, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Paul Loether, Chief, National Register of Historic Places and National Historic Landmarks Program, 1201 Eye Street, NW. (2280), 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20005; or via phone at 202/354-2003; or via fax at 202/371-2229; or via e-mail at [Paul\\_Loether@nps.gov](mailto:Paul_Loether@nps.gov). Also, you may send comments to Leonard E. Stowe, NPS Information Collection Clearance Officer, 1849 C St., NW. (2605), Washington, DC 20240; or via e-mail at [leonard\\_stowe@nps.gov](mailto:leonard_stowe@nps.gov). All responses to this Notice will be summarized and included in the request for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

*To Request a Draft of Proposed Collection of Information Contact:* Lisa Deline, NPS Historian, National Register of Historic Places, 1201 Eye St., NW. (2280), Washington, DC 20005; or via phone at 202/354-2239; or via fax at 202/371-2229; or via e-mail at [3lisa\\_deline@nps.gov](mailto:3lisa_deline@nps.gov).

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a copy of the entire ICR package free of charge once the package is submitted to OMB for review. You can access this ICR at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** 36 CFR 60 and 63: National Register of Historic Places Registration Form; Continuation Sheet; National Register Multiple Property Documentation Form.

**Form(s):** NPS 10-900 (registration form), 10-900-a (continuation sheet), 10-900-b (multiple property documentation form).

**OMB Control Number:** 1024-0018.

**Expiration Date:** 01/31/2009.

**Type of Request:** Extension of a currently approved collection of information.

**Description of Need:** The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 requires the Secretary of the Interior to maintain and expand the National Register of Historic Places, and to establish criteria and guidelines for including properties in the National Register. The National Register of Historic Places Registration Form documents properties nominated for listing in the National Register and demonstrates that they meet the criteria established for inclusion. The documentation is used to assist in preserving and protecting the properties and for heritage education and interpretation. National Register properties must be considered in the planning for federal or federally assisted projects. National Register listing is required for eligibility for the federal rehabilitation tax incentives. The primary purpose of the ICR is to nominate properties for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, the official list of the nation's cultural resources worthy of preservation, which Public Law requires that the Secretary of the Interior maintain and expand. Properties are listed in the National Register upon nomination by State, Federal and Tribal Historic Preservations Officers. The National Register of Historic Places Registration Form documents properties nominated for listing in the National Register and demonstrates that they meet the criteria established for inclusion. The documentation is used to assist in preserving and protecting the properties and for heritage education in interpretation. National Register properties and those eligible for listing must be considered in the planning for Federal or federally assisted projects, and National Register listing is required for eligibility for the Federal Rehabilitation Tax incentives. The forms provide the historic

documentation on which decisions for listing and eligibility are based. The obligation to respond is required to obtain or retain benefits.

**Description of respondents:** The affected public are State, tribal, and local governments, businesses, non-profit organizations, and individuals. Nominations to the National Register of Historic Places are voluntary.

**Estimated average number of respondents:** 1,513.

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**Estimated average time burden per respondent:** Depending on which form is used, the average burden per response may vary considerably because of many complex factors. In general, to fulfill minimum program requirements describing the nominated property and demonstrating its eligibility under the criteria, the average burden hours range from 18 hours for a nomination proposed under an existing Multiple Property Submission (MPS), to 36 hours for a new proposed individual nomination, to 120 hours for a newly proposed MPS. Continuation Sheets (10-900-a) are used as space for additional information for both the individual nomination form and the multiple property form, as needed. As such the calculation of burden hours per response for the continuation sheet has been included in the above average calculations for the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (10-900), and the National Register Multiple Property Documentation Form (10-900-b).

**Frequency of response:** Once per respondent.

**Estimated total annual reporting burden:** 52,824 hours broken down as follows: 196 nominations submitted under existing MPS @ 18 hrs. each = 3,528 hours; 1,186 newly proposed individual nominations @ 36 hrs. each = 42,696 hours; 55 new proposed MPS @ 120 hrs. each = 6,600 hours.

**Comments are invited on:** (1) the practical utility of the information being gathered; (2) the accuracy of the burden hour estimate; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden to respondents, including use of automated information collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While