

Regulation 43 CFR	Type of application	Estimated number of responses	Estimated hours per response
3410	Operations under and modification of an exploration license	1	1
3410	Collection and submission of data from an exploration license	5	18
3420	Call for coal resource and other resource information	0	3
3420	Surface owner consultation	7	1
3420	Expressions of leasing interest	0	7
3422	Response to notice of sale	8	56
3422	Consultation with Attorney General	7	4
3425	Leasing on application	15	308
3427	Surface owner consent	7	1
3430	Preference right lease application	3	800
3432	Lease modifications	5	12
3440	License to mine	2	21
3452	Relinquishments	30	18
3453	Transfers, assignments, subleases	43	10
3410, 3453, 3473	Bonds	196	8
3471	Land description requirements	15	2
3471	Future interest lease application	0	16
3472	Special leasing qualifications	4	3
3472	Qualification statement	4	3
3473	Lease rental and royalty rate reductions	9	13
3473, 3483	Lease suspensions	7	20
3475	Lease form	12	1
3475, 3481, 3487	Logical mining units	5	170
3481	General obligations of the operator/lessee	1	1
3482	Exploration plans	11	30
3482	Resource recovery and protection plan	4	192
3482	Modifications to exploration plans and resource recovery and protection plans	79	16
3482	Mining operations maps	311	20
3483	Request for payment of advance royalty in lieu of continued operation	12	22
3484	Performance standards for exploration (Retention of samples)	22	1
3484	Performance standards for surface and underground coal mines	6	1
3485	Exploration reports	7	4
3485, 3486	Production reports	323	10
3486	Notices and orders	1	2
3486	Enforcement	8	2

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost"*

**Burden:** The currently approved annual non-hour cost burden for Control Number 1004-0073 is \$1,048,578.

The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

The BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. 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.

**Jean Sonneman,**

*Acting Information Collection Clearance Officer, Bureau of Land Management.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[LLMT924000-L54200000-FR0000-LVDIE09E0470; SDM 99176]

**Notice of Application for Disclaimer of Interest, Brookings County, SD**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** An application has been filed with the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) by Northern States Power Company (NSP), d/b/a/Xcel Energy, for a Recordable Disclaimer of Interest from the United States for an easement in Brookings County, South Dakota. This notice is intended to inform the public of the pending application.

**DATES:** Comment period is open for 90 days from publication of this notice.

Only written comments will be accepted. Refer to serial No. SDM 99176.

**ADDRESSES:** Address all written comments to Cindy Staszak, Chief, Branch of Land Resources, BLM Montana State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101-4669.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tami Lorenz, BLM Montana State Office, 5001 Southgate Drive, Billings, Montana 59101-4669; 406-896-5053.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to Section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1745), and the regulations contained in 43 CFR subpart 1864, a Recordable Disclaimer of Interest, if issued, will confirm that the United States has no valid interest in the easement. The NSP has filed condemnation proceedings for easement rights to construct, operate, maintain, use, rebuild, or remove an electric transmission line through, over, under and across the subject land. A Recordable Disclaimer of Interest will not be issued until the NSP secures title

to the easement through condemnation. The easement is described as follows:

**Fifth Principal Meridian, South Dakota**

T. 110 N., R. 47 W.,  
sec. 3, south 75.5 feet of lot 6.

The area described contains approximately 1.7 acres in Brookings County.

A review of the General Land Office plat and original patent documents indicate that the surface and subsurface interests in the above-described property were transferred out of Federal ownership by land patents, with no reservations to the United States. The BLM South Dakota Field Office reported there have been no on-the-ground changes that reflect any remaining Federal interest.

All persons who wish to present comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the proposed disclaimer may do so by writing to the undersigned authorized officer at the above address. 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.

If no valid objection is received, a Recordable Disclaimer of Interest may be approved stating that the United States does not have a valid interest in the land.

**Cindy Staszak,**

*Chief, Branch of Land Resources.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

[FWS-R9-IA-2009-N283]  
[96300-1671-0000-P5]

**Receipt of Applications for Permit**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

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**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species. The Endangered Species Act requires that

we invite public comment on these permit applications.

**DATES:** Written data, comments or requests must be received by February 4, 2010.

**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 212, 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 applications 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.*). Submit your written data, comments, or requests for copies of the complete applications to the address shown in **ADDRESSES**.

Applicant: Chelonian Conservation Center, Ojai, CA, PRT-217124

The applicant requests a permit to import up to 10 angulated tortoises (*Astrochelys yniphora*) which were previously illegally removed from the wild in Madagascar. The import would be for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 1-year period.

Applicant: Zoological Society of San Diego, CA, PRT-223447

The applicant requests a permit to export biological samples from Western lowland gorilla (*Gorilla gorilla*) to Cambridge University, Department Of Veterinary Medicine, Cambridge, United Kingdom, for the purpose of enhancement of the species through scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 1-year period.

Applicant: Metro Richmond Zoo, Moseley, VA, PRT-228022

The applicant requests a permit to import two captive-bred female cheetahs (*Acinonyx jubatus*) from the DeWildt Center, South Africa, for the

purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Wildlife Conservation Society, Bronx Zoo, New York, NY, PRT-231585

The applicant requests a permit to export up to 1000 captive hatched Kihansi spray toads (*Nectophrynoides asperginis*) to their range state at the University of Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Jarrell W. Martin, Jacksonville, FL, PRT-235302

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.

Dated: December 18, 2009

**Brenda Tapia,**

*Program Analyst, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**National Park Service**

**Notice of Continuation of Visitor Services**

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Public notice.

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**DATES:** *Effective Date:* January 1, 2010.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jo A. Pendry, Chief, Commercial Services Program, National Park Service, 1201 Eye Street, NW., 11th Floor, Washington, DC, 20005, Telephone, 202/513-7156.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the terms of existing concession contracts, public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service intends to request a continuation of visitor services for a period not-to-exceed 1 year from the date of contract expiration.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The contracts listed below have been extended to maximum allowable under 36 CFR 51.23. Under the provisions of current concession contracts and pending the completion of the public solicitation of a prospectus for a new concession contract, the National Park Service authorizes continuation of visitor services for a period not-to-exceed 1 year under the terms and