

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

**Burden:** We have identified no "non-hour cost" burdens for this collection.

**Public Disclosure Statement:** 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.

**Comments:** Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) requires each agency " \* \* \* to provide notice \* \* \* and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information \* \* \*".

Agencies must specifically solicit comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Agencies must also estimate the non-hour paperwork cost burdens to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. Therefore, if you have costs to generate, maintain, and disclose this information, you should comment and provide your total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. You should describe the methods you use to estimate major cost factors, including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital equipment, discount rate(s), and the period over which you incur costs. Capital and startup costs include, among other items, computers and software you purchase to prepare for collecting information, monitoring, and record storage facilities. You should not include estimates for equipment or services purchased: (i) Before October 1, 1995; (ii) to comply with requirements not associated with the information collection; (iii) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the Government; or (iv) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.

We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our submission for OMB approval. As a result of your comments, we will make

any necessary adjustments to the burden in our submission to OMB.

**Public Comment Procedures:** Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

**MMS Information Collection Clearance Officer:** Arlene Bajusz (202) 208-7744.

Dated: March 24, 2010.

**Sharon Buffington,**

*Acting Chief, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[LLWO270000. L10300000.EG0000; OMB Control Number 1004-0001]

#### Information Collection; Free Use Application and Permit for Vegetative or Mineral Materials

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management.

**ACTION:** 30-day Notice and Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a 3-year extension of OMB Control Number 1004-0001 under the Paperwork Reduction Act. The respondents are individuals and households who provide information to the BLM in support of applications which pertain to the free use of, respectively, petrified wood, timber, *et al.*

**DATES:** The OMB is required to respond to this information collection request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. Therefore, written comments should be received on or before April 29, 2010 in order to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments directly to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (OMB #1004-0001), Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, fax 202-395-5806, or by electronic mail at [oir\\_docket@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_docket@omb.eop.gov). Please mail a

copy of your comments to: Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 401 LS, Washington, DC 20240. You may also send a copy of your comments by electronic mail to [jean\\_sonneman@blm.gov](mailto:jean_sonneman@blm.gov).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

McKinley-Ben Miller, Bureau of Land Management, Division of Forestry, at (202) 912-7165. Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Mr. Miller.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Title:** Form 5510-1, Free Use Application and Permit (43 CFR 3620 and 5510).

**OMB Number:** 1004-0001.

**Forms:** 5510-1, Free Use Application and Permit.

**Abstract:** The Bureau of Land Management proposes to extend the currently approved collection of information, which enables the agency to manage the collection of limited quantities of petrified wood and timber for noncommercial purposes.

**60-Day Notice:** On January 12, 2010, the BLM published a 60-day notice (75 FR 1647) requesting comments on the proposed information collection. The comment period ended on March 15, 2010. We did not receive any comments from the public in response to this notice or unsolicited comments from respondents covered under these regulations.

**Current Action:** This proposal is being submitted to extend the expiration date of March 31, 2010.

**Type of Review:** 3-year extension.

**Affected Public:** Individuals and households.

**Obligation To Respond:** Required to obtain or retain benefits.

**Annual Responses:** 476.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 238.

**There is no filing fee associated with these information collections. The BLM requests comments on the following subjects:**

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the BLM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to

respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Please send comments to the addresses listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please refer to OMB control number 1004-0001 in your correspondence. 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.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R5-R-2008-N0242; BAC-4311-K9-S3]

#### Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge, City of Virginia Beach, VA

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of draft comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) announces the availability of the draft comprehensive conservation plan (CCP) and draft environmental assessment (EA) for Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) for a 30-day public review and comment period. In this draft CCP/EA, we describe three alternatives, including our Service-preferred Alternative B, for managing this refuge for the next 15 years. Also available for public review and comment are the draft compatibility determinations, which are included as Appendix A in the draft CCP/EA.

**DATES:** To ensure our consideration of your written comments, we must receive them by April 29, 2010. We will also hold public meetings in Virginia Beach, Virginia during the 30-day review period to receive comments and provide information on the draft plan. We will announce and post details about public meetings in local news media, via our project mailing list, and

on our regional planning Web site, [http://www.fws.gov/northeast/planning/back\\_bay/ccphome.html](http://www.fws.gov/northeast/planning/back_bay/ccphome.html).

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments or requests for copies of the draft CCP/EA by any of the following methods. You may also drop off comments in person at Back Bay NWR, 4005 Sandpiper Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia.

*U.S. Postal Service:* Thomas Bonetti, Natural Resource Planner, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 300 Westgate Center Drive, Hadley, Massachusetts 01035.

*Facsimile:* Attention: Thomas Bonetti, 413-253-8307.

*Electronic mail:* [northeastplanning@fws.gov](mailto:northeastplanning@fws.gov). Include "Back Bay NWR CCP" in the subject line of your e-mail.

*Agency Web site:* View or download the draft document at <http://www.fws.gov/backbay/>.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jared Brandwein, Project Leader, Back Bay NWR, 4005 Sandpiper Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23456-4325; 757-721-2412 (phone); 757-721-6141 (facsimile).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Introduction

With this notice, we continue the CCP process for Back Bay NWR. We started the CCP process by publishing a notice in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 30950) on May 8, 2002, and then updating that notice (72 FR 8196) on February 23, 2007. We prepared the draft CCP in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321-4347, as amended) (NEPA) and the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (Improvement Act).

Back Bay NWR, currently 9,035 acres, was established in 1938 by Executive Order #7907 " \* \* \* as a Refuge and breeding ground for migratory birds and other wildlife." Another of the refuge's primary purposes (for lands acquired under the Migratory Bird Conservation Act) is " \* \* \* use as an inviolate sanctuary, or for any other management purpose, for migratory birds." The Emergency Wetlands Resources Act of 1986 also authorizes purchase of wetlands for the purpose of " \* \* \* the conservation of the wetlands of the Nation in order to maintain the public benefits they provide and to help fulfill international obligations contained in various migratory bird treaties and conventions \* \* \*," using money from the Land and Water Conservation Fund. In 1939, 4,600 acres of open bay waters within the refuge boundary were closed

to the taking of migratory birds by Presidential proclamation.

The refuge includes five miles of oceanfront beach, a 900-acre freshwater impoundment complex, numerous bay islands, bottomland mixed forests, old fields, and freshwater wetlands adjacent to Back Bay and its tributary shorelines. The Back Bay NWR Station Management Plan in 1993 expanded the role of the refuge to include management emphases on other migratory bird groups, including threatened and endangered species, shorebirds, wading birds, marsh birds and songbirds/land birds.

Although wildlife and habitat conservation come first on the refuge, the public can enjoy excellent opportunities to observe and photograph wildlife, fish, hunt, or participate in environmental education and interpretation. Current visitor facilities are primarily located in the eastern, barrier island portion of the refuge, where annual visitation is greater than 100,000. Back Bay NWR provides scenic trails, a visitor contact station, and, with advance scheduling, group educational opportunities. Outdoor facilities are open daily dawn to dusk.

#### Background

##### The CCP Process

The Improvement Act requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose for developing CCPs is to provide refuge managers with 15-year plans for achieving refuge purposes and the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System (NWRS), in conformance with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and our policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update each CCP at least every 15 years, in accordance with the Improvement Act.

##### Public Outreach

In conjunction with our **Federal Register** notice announcing our intent to begin the CCP process, open houses and public information meetings were held throughout the Virginia Beach area at three different locations during January 2002. Meetings were advertised locally through news releases, paid