

of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior via e-mail to *OIRA\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov* or fax at 202-395-5806; and identify your submission as 1028-0065. Please also submit a copy of your written comments to Phadrea Ponds, USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer, 2150-C Centre Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80526-8118 (mail); 970-226-9230 (fax); or *pondsp@usgs.gov* (e-mail). Use OMB Control Number 1028-0065 in the subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Scott F. Sibley at 703-648-4976 or by mail at U.S. Geological Survey, 989 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, VA 20192.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

This collection is needed to provide data on mineral production for annual reports published by commodity for use by Government agencies, Congressional offices, educational institutions, research organizations, financial institutions, consulting firms, industry, academia, and the general public. This information will be published in the "Mineral Commodity Summaries," the first preliminary publication to furnish estimates covering the previous year's nonfuel mineral industry.

**II. Data**

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-0065.

*Title:* Production Estimate, Quarterly Construction Sand and Gravel and Crushed and Broken Stone.

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

*Respondent Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Frequency of Collection:* Quarterly and Annually.

*Affected Public:* Businesses and State/local governments that produce industrial nonfuel minerals.

*Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 2,014.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 470 hours. We expect to receive 2,014 annual responses. We estimate an average of 10-15 minutes per response. This includes the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the information.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden:* We have not identified any "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

**III. Request for Comments**

On October 9, 2009, we published a **Federal Register** notice (74 FR 52254) announcing that we would submit this

ICR to OMB for approval and solicit comments. The comment period closed on December 9, 2009. We did not receive any comments in response to that notice.

We again invite comments concerning this ICR on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are 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 anytime. 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.

*USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer:* Phadrea Ponds, 970-226-9445.

Dated: May 11, 2010.

**John H. DeYoung, Jr.,**

*Chief Scientist, Minerals Information Team, U.S. Geological Survey.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Geological Survey**

**Agency Information Collection Activities: State Water Resources Research Institute Program Annual Application and Reporting**

**AGENCY:** United States Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of a new collection.

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) an information collection request (ICR). This notice provides the public an opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of this collection. We may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a

collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** You must submit comments on or before June 16, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit written comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, *Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior via e-mail to OIRA\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov* or fax at 202-395-5806; and identify your submission as 1028-NEW. Please also submit a copy of your written comments to Phadrea Ponds, USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer, 2150-C Centre Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80526-8118 (mail); 970-226-9230 (fax); or *pondsp@usgs.gov* (e-mail). Use OMB Control Number 1028-NEW in the subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John E. Schefter, Chief, Office of External Research, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, MS 424, Reston, Virginia 20192 (mail) at (703) 648-6800 (Phone); or *schefter@usgs.gov* (e-mail).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

The Water Resources Research Act of 1984, as amended (42 U.S.C. 10301 *et seq.*), authorizes a water resources research institute or center in each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa. There are currently 54 such institutes, one in each state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Guam. The institute in Guam is a regional institute serving Guam, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. Each of the 54 institutes submits an annual application for an allotment grant and provides an annual report on its activities under the grant. The State Water Resources Research Institute Program issues an annual call for applications from the institutes to support plans to promote research, training, information dissemination, and other activities meeting the needs of the States and Nation. The program also encourages regional cooperation among institutes in research into areas of water management, development, and conservation that have a regional or national character. The U.S. Geological Survey has been designated as the administrator of the provisions of the Act.

## II. Data

**OMB Control Number:** None. This is a new collection.

**Title:** State Water Resources Research Institute Program Annual Application and Reporting.

**Type of Request:** New.

**Affected Public:** The state water resources research institutes authorized by the Water Resources Research Act of 1983, as amended, and listed at <http://water.usgs.gov/wrri/institutes.html>.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Required to obtain benefits.

**Frequency of Collection:** Annually.

**Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:** We expect to receive 54 applications and award 54 grants per year.

**Estimated Annual Total Responses:** 54.

**Estimated Time per Response:** 160 hours. This includes 80 hours per applicant to prepare and submit the annual application; and 80 hours (total) per grantee to complete the annual reports.

**Annual Burden Hours:** 8,640.

## III. Request for Comments

On December 29, 2009, we published a **Federal Register** notice (74 FR 68860) announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval and soliciting comments. The comment period closed on March 1, 2010. We did not receive any comments in response to that notice.

We again invite comments concerning this ICR on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are 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 anytime. 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.

Dated: May 10, 2010.

**John E. Schefter,**

*Water Resources Research Act Program Coordinator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

**[FWS-R4-R-2010-N052; 40136-1265-0000-S3]**

#### J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, Lee County, FL

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

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

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a draft comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment (Draft CCP/EA) for J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) for public review and comment. In the Draft CCP/EA, we describe the alternative we propose to use to manage this refuge for the 15 years following approval of the final CCP.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, we must receive your written comments by June 16, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** You may obtain a copy of the Draft CCP/EA by contacting Ms. Cheri M. Ehrhardt, via U.S. mail at J.N. "Ding" Darling NWR, 1 Wildlife Drive, Sanibel, FL 33957, or via e-mail at [DingDarlingCCP@fws.gov](mailto:DingDarlingCCP@fws.gov). Alternatively you may download the document from our Internet Site at <http://southeast.fws.gov/planning> under "Draft Documents." Submit comments on the Draft CCP/EA to the above postal address or e-mail address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Cheri M. Ehrhardt, Natural Resource Planner, *telephone*: 321/861-2368; or Mr. Paul Tritaik, Refuge Manager, *telephone*: 239/472-1100.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Introduction

With this notice, we continue the CCP process for J.N. "Ding" Darling NWR. We started the process through a notice in the **Federal Register** on June 27, 2007 (72 FR 35254), and extended the comment period in a notice in the **Federal Register** on April 2, 2008 (73 FR 17991). For more about the refuge, its purposes, and our CCP process, *please see those notices.*

## Background

### The CCP Process

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd-668ee), as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose for developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent 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 hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Administration Act.

The 6,406.79-acre refuge supports hundreds of species of wildlife and plants, providing protection for 13 Federal-listed species and 49 State-listed species, as well as for migratory birds and native wildlife. It also supports habitat diversity through tropical hardwood forests, beaches, mangrove swamps, mixed wetland shrubs, salt marshes, open waters and seagrass beds, and lakes and canals. Comprising roughly half of Sanibel Island and most of Buck Key, the J.N. "Ding" Darling NWR provides key habitats supporting a variety of species in a highly developed landscape. The city of Sanibel, Lee County, Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, and the Service work together to continue conservation work on Sanibel Island, which is one of the top birding hot spots in the nation, with beautiful beaches, shelling, fishing, and wildlife. This partnership has resulted in land use planning to guide growth and development, ensuring that future generations will be able to enjoy the special ambience and quiet harmony that Sanibel Island offers.

The priority management issues facing this refuge are addressed in the Draft CCP/EA, including: (1) Increasing and changing human population, development of the landscape, recreational uses and demands, and associated impacts; (2) issues and impacts associated with water quality, water quantity, and timing of flows; (3) invasion and spread of exotic, invasive,