DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

San Juan National Forest Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The San Juan National Forest Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet in Durango, Colorado. The committee is meeting as authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110–343) and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the meeting is to gather the newly appointed Committee members together to elect a Chair, determine operating principles and organize to review project proposals and recommend allocations of Title II funds within Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata, and Montezuma counties, Colorado.

DATES: The meeting will be held Wednesday, September 8, 2010, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the San Juan Public Lands Center, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, Colorado in the Sonoran Meeting Room. Written comments should be sent to Attn: San Juan National Forest RAC, 15 Burnett Court, Durango, CO 81301. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to abond@fs.fed.us or via facsimile to Attn: Ann Bond, RAC Coordinator at 970.385.1219.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ann Bond, San Juan National Forest RAC Coordinator, 970.385.1219 or e-mail: abond@fs.fed.us. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public, with legal notices published in local papers of records for the involved counties, along with public announcements. The following business will be conducted: The newly appointed Committee members will gather together and meet for the first time, address questions about the roles of members, support of the committee and other pertinent information, elect a chairperson, determine operating principles for the RAC and organize to review project proposals and recommend allocation of Title II funds within Archuleta, Dolores, La Plata and Montezuma counties, Colorado.

Persons who wish to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting. A public comment period will be provided from 2–3 p.m.


Bill Dunkelberger, Deputy Forest Supervisor/San Juan Public Lands, San Juan National Forest RAC DFO.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).


Title: NOAA Constituent Engagement Survey.

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 650.

Average Hours per Response: 20 minutes.

Burden Hours: 217.

Needs and Uses: On August 9, 2007, President Bush signed legislation into law the America COMPETES (America Creating Opportunities to Meaningfully Promote Excellence in Technology, Education and Science Act, Pub. L. 110–69), which seeks to strengthen education and research related to science and technology (“America Creating Opportunities to Meaningfully Promote Excellence in Technology, Education, and Science Act”). This legislation is significant for NOAA, granting the agency a mandate to engage in agency-wide education and outreach efforts to all stakeholders. Because NOAA’s information, products and services are important to both the nation as a whole and to the daily lives of U.S. citizens, NOAA’s Science Advisory Board (SAB) has identified a need for more effective two-way communication between its programs and the customers and clients it serves. To achieve this goal, NOAA has also developed a survey instrument to collect responses from core groups of NOAA constituents. The survey instrument will assess NOAA’s accessibility, responsiveness and respect for partners. One objective of the survey is to collect responses to provide NOAA with information and feedback from its constituents that will lead to greater emphasis placed on the needs of NOAA partners, techniques to improve NOAA’s products and services, and general improvement in the accessibility and responsiveness of NOAA to constituents. A longer term objective for this survey is to become a standard NOAA tool accessing engagement with constituents.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions; state, local or tribal government; Federal Government.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395–3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dynekek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395–7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.


Gwlln Banks, Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (FHWAR) Cell Phone and Debit Card Test

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collection efforts.

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collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before October 12, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dhynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Deborah Kinnaman at the U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Room 7H113, Washington, DC 20233–8400 (or via the Internet at deborah.a.kinnaman@census.gov.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

I. Abstract

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) and the U.S. Census Bureau plan to conduct (covered under separateOMB clearance number 1018–0088) the 2011 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (FHWAR). The FHWAR data assist Federal and State agencies in administering the Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration grant programs and provide up-to-date information on the uses and demands for wildlife-related recreation resources, trends in uses of those resources, and a basis for developing and evaluating programs and projects to meet existing and future needs.

In 2011, the majority (about 90%) of FHWAR cases will be conducted by Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing (CATI) in the Census Bureau’s decentralized telephone centers. The remaining cases (about 10%) will be conducted by Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI) in the Census Bureau’s regional offices. Because the FHWAR is an address-based sample, we predict we will be able to obtain a phone number for approximately 50% of the addresses through address-telephone match vendors and through research conducted by the telephone centers. We will not be able to obtain telephone numbers for approximately 34,064 cases in sample; these cases will be eligible for a CAPI interview. Unfortunately, the budget for the 2011 FHWAR is significantly limiting the number of CAPI interviews that we can conduct. Therefore, we will subsample and pre-identify approximately 5,200 cases (out of the 34,064 cases without phone numbers) for the CAPI sample.

All households will be mailed an advance letter prior to interviewing explaining the survey and requesting that a household member call one of the Census Bureau telephone centers to conduct an interview. In addition to the CATI cases, the pre-identified 5,200 CAPI cases will be available for CATI interviewing in the telephone centers with the expectation that some respondents in these households will call the telephone centers to conduct an interview in CATI. The CATI operation will begin on April 1, 2011. One month later, the cases that were pre-selected for CAPI that have not been conducted in CATI will be transferred to field representatives for personal visits in the CAPI operation.

As part of the 2011 FHWAR, we plan to research alternative methods to improve response rates and coverage and to maximize the CATI operation since budget restrictions have significantly reduced, and will continue to reduce, our CAPI sample adding variance to the data. The CAPI component is particularly important because we know that households with available phone numbers may differ in characteristics from those without telephones and those with unlisted phone numbers.

In an effort to reach households in which a phone number is unobtainable, we plan to conduct a test in the first wave of interviewing (the FHWAR is conducted in three waves) that includes three panels of 500 households each. These panels will be subsampled from the 34,064 cases without attainable phone numbers. (The remaining 27,364 cases of the 34,064 eligible for CAPI will not be selected for the 2011 FHWAR.) These 1,500 cases will remain in the CATI sample; they will not be transferred to the CAPI operation.

The first panel will receive an advance letter with a prepaid cell phone. The advance letter will request that a household member call the telephone center and complete an interview using the cell phone. Census Bureau interviewers also will attempt to call these households using the cell phone number during the production period.

The second panel will receive an advance letter and a $25.00 debit card. The advance letter will request that a household member call the telephone center to complete an interview and accept the debit card as a “thank you” for participating.

The third panel will receive only an advance letter that requests a household member call the telephone center to complete an interview.

Note: The data from these three test panels will be analyzed separately for research purposes, and therefore will be excluded from the final 2011 FHWAR survey data.

We plan to have two additional panels of all the households from our FHWAR survey sample for quality comparison. The first additional panel (Panel 4) will be cases that are sent to CAPI in the FHWAR survey. The second additional panel (Panel 5) will be the cases from our CATI sample. Both of these panels will receive an advance letter requesting that a household member call the telephone center to complete an interview. The table below outlines the panel sample sizes.

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<th>2011 FHWAR Research Panels</th>
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<td>1. Advance Letter and Cell Phone</td>
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<td>3. Advance Letter Only</td>
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<td>4. Advance Letter with Personal Visit Follow-up (CAPI)</td>
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<td>5. Advance Letter with Telephone Follow-up (CATI)</td>
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*Note: Panels 4 and 5 are FHWAR productive sample which will be used for comparison.*

The five panels will help us determine whether there are viable alternatives to collecting data through a personal visit when we only have an address. First, we would like to decide if any of these alternatives are feasible. If the operation of collecting the data works, (i.e., test respondents call the telephone centers and/or contact is made via the cell phone), we want to determine which alternative works best in terms of response rates and cost.

First, we will look at the response rates of the five panels. We will consider Panel 4 (Advance Letter with Personal Visit—the current method) as the base line for our study. We will compare the response rate from this panel to the response rates of Panels 1, 2, and 3. These comparisons will help us determine if any of the alternative procedures produce response rates equal to or greater than the current method for cases without phone numbers. Within the three alternative methods, we will consider Panel 3 as a base line and compare its response rate to the response rates of Panels 1 and 2. This test will determine which of the three alternatives produces the highest response rate. In another analysis, we will compare the response rate of the cases with no available phone number...
to the response rate of the cases with a phone number (Panel 4 versus Panel 5). This will help to determine whether conducting a CATI interview differs from conducting a CAPI interview in terms of response rates.

We also will analyze the cost and data quality to decide whether sending the household a cell phone or monetary incentive are possible options in the survey data collection process. We will analyze the cost to determine if we can obtain any savings by introducing either of these methods, even if the response rates differ across panels. If this study proves successful, it will provide an option for future FHWAR surveys and other Census surveys by helping to identify the difference between telephone- and no-telephone-available households. This may allow us to minimize CAPI interviewing and maximize CATI interviewing.

II. Method of Collection

Data is collected either by CATI or by CAPI. CATI interviewing is scheduled to begin April 1, 2011 and end on June 5, 2011. CAPI interviewing is scheduled to begin May 5, 2011 and end on June 5, 2011.

III. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Gwellin Banks,
Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; State Broadband Data and Development Grant Program Progress Report

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before October 12, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Anne Neville, Department of Commerce, Room 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via Internet at ANeville@ntia.doc.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Section 6001(l) of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Recovery Act), Public Law 111–5 (2009), requires the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Information and Communications (Assistant Secretary) to develop and maintain a comprehensive, interactive, and searchable nationwide inventory map of existing broadband service capability and availability in the United States that depicts the geographic extent to which broadband service capability is deployed and available from a commercial or public provider throughout each state. Recovery Act section 6001(l), 123 Stat. at 516. The statute further provides that the Assistant Secretary will make the national broadband map accessible by the public on a National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Web site no later than February 17, 2011.

On July 8, 2009, NTIA issued the Notice of Funds Availability and Solicitation of Applications for the State Broadband Data and Development (SBDD) Grant Program (NOFA, 74 FR...