

The collection of information consists of the materials to file a grant application with the agency, including forms, certifications and required documentation.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 8.24 hours per response.

*Respondents:* Non-profit institutions.  
*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5.  
*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 7.6.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 313 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Joyce McNeil, Management Analyst, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, at (202) 720-0812; FAX: (202) 720-8435.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 17, 2010.

**Jessica Zufolo,**

*Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Rural Utilities Service

#### Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), invites comments on this information collection for which the Agency intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by January 24, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michele L. Brooks, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, USDA Rural Utilities Service, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Room 5159-S, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Telephone: (202) 690-1078, FAX: (202) 720-8435. E-mail [Michele.Brooks@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:Michele.Brooks@wdc.usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) requires that interested

members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that the Agency is submitting to OMB for extension. 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 will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to: Michele L. Brooks, Director, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, USDA Rural Utilities Service, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Room 5159-S, STOP 1522, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Telephone: (202) 690-1078, FAX: (202) 720-8435.

*Title:* 7 CFR Part 1776, "Household Water Well System Grant Program."

*OMB Control Number:* 0572-0139.

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

*Abstract:* Rural Development supports the sound development of rural communities and the growth of our economy without endangering the environment. Rural Development provides financial and technical assistance to help communities bring safe drinking water and sanitary, environmentally sound waste disposal facilities to rural Americans in greatest need.

The Household Water Well System (HWWS) Grant Program makes grants to qualified private non-profit organizations which will help homeowners finance the cost of private wells. As the grant recipient, non-profit organizations will establish a revolving loan fund lending program to provide water well loans to individuals who own or will own private wells in rural areas. The individual loan recipients may use the funds to construct, refurbish, and service their household well systems for an existing home.

The collection of information consists of the materials to file a grant application with the agency, including

forms, certifications and required documentation.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 144 hours per response.

*Respondents:* Non-profit institutions.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 10.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 17.5.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 1,112 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Joyce McNeil, Management Analyst, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, at (202) 720-0812; FAX: (202) 720-8435.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 17, 2010.

**Jessica Zufolo,**

*Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Questa Ranger District, Carson National Forest; Taos County, NM; Taos Ski Valley's 2010 Master Development Plan—Phase 1 Projects

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** Taos Ski Valley (TSV) is a downhill ski area located in the Sangre de Cristo Mountains, about 20 miles northeast of Taos, New Mexico, at the terminus of State Road 150, on the Rio Hondo, in Taos County. The Forest Service is proposing to authorize several (Phase I) projects included in the Taos Ski Valley (TSV) 2010 Master Development Plan (MDP). These proposed projects include: Adding new lifts to serve terrain that is currently only accessible by hiking; replacing old lifts; creating new gladed terrain; improving traffic circulation throughout the day parking lots and a new drop-off area; construction of the Taos Adventure Center (snowtubing and snowshoeing trails); and a lift-served mountain biking trail. All proposed projects are within the existing special use permit (SUP) area. The Forest Service is preparing an environmental impact statement (EIS) to consider and disclose the anticipated environmental

effects of Taos Ski Valley's 2010 Master Development Plan—Phase 1 Projects.

**DATES:** Comments concerning the scope of the analysis should be received by January 17, 2011. The draft environmental impact statement (draft EIS) is expected to be available for public review in August 2011 and the final environmental impact statement (final EIS) and record of decision (ROD) are expected in December 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to Carson National Forest, Taos Ski Valley MDP—Phase 1 Projects, 208 Cruz Alta Road, Taos, NM 87571. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to [comments-southwestern-carson@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-southwestern-carson@fs.fed.us) or facsimile to (575) 758-6213.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Additional information related to the proposed project can be obtained from the Forest's Web page at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r3/carson/>. The Forest Service contact is Audrey Kuykendall, who can be reached at 575-758-6200.

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 Time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 2010, Kendall Clark, Forest Supervisor for the Carson National Forest, accepted a new MDP for Taos Ski Valley, which provides a comprehensive plan for future improvements to the resort.

*Purpose and Need for Action:* Taos Ski Valley has not made any significant infrastructural or qualitative improvements within its permit area over the past two decades. In order to remain economically viable in the competitive destination skier/rider market and continue to provide a quality recreational experience into the future, TSV needs to refocus on meeting its guests' demands and expectations. The proposed action is designed to address TSV's economic and recreational needs within its existing permit area. These needs are:

1. Lift service to high-alpine, advanced intermediate and expert terrain.
2. Access to heavily treed portions of the existing permit area.
3. Quality alternative winter and summer activities.
4. A more efficient lift network.
5. Better resort access.
6. Improved vehicular circulation throughout the day parking lots.

*Proposed Action:* In order to meet the purpose and need, the Forest Service is proposing several projects within TSV's existing special use permit boundary

administered by the Carson National Forest. The proposed action includes:

- Developing two new lift-served, gladed areas—the Minnesota Glades and the Wild West Glades (approx. 108 ac). These areas would be accessible by both new and proposed lifts.
  - Installing a new bottom-drive, fixed-grip chairlift—the Main Street Lift—to service approximately 63 acres of terrain above Chair 4 that are currently only accessible by an approximate 45-minute hike along Highline Ridge. The proposed Main Street Lift would provide low capacity lift service up to an elevation of 12,466 feet.
  - Installing a new bottom-drive, fixed-grip chairlift—the Ridge Lift—to access existing terrain off West Basin Ridge as well, as the proposed Wild West Glades. Round-trip skiing/riding this terrain would require use of the existing Lift 8, as well as the proposed Ridge Lift.
  - Constructing a dedicated snowtubing facility—the Adventure Center—within the northwestern portion of the SUP area. The Adventure Center would include yurts for guest services, a carpet conveyor lift serving four tubing lanes, and a small building for tube storage. A shuttle would provide access to the Taos Adventure Center from TSV's base area, and parking spaces in TSV's existing day lots would be dedicated for Adventure Center guests.
  - Establishing a 2-mile (approx.) network of marked interpretive snowshoeing trails beginning near the Adventure Center to supplement non-sliding winter activities.
  - Constructing a 3.6-mile, lift served mountain bike trail between the top of Lift 1 and the base area to provide alternative summer recreational activities.
  - Reconfiguring the existing parking lots to better accommodate traffic circulation and pedestrian access to the base area. The Bear and Bison lots would be reconfigured to allow the Bison lot to become a thoroughfare.
  - Constructing an extra parking bay north of the Armadillo lot. The reconfiguration and extra parking bay would have no net gain or loss of day parking.
  - Replacing Lifts 4, 5, and 7, which are antiquated and in need of modernizing and upgrading.
- Responsible Official:* The responsible official is Kendall Clark, Forest Supervisor for the Carson National Forest.

*Nature of Decision To Be Made:* Based on the analysis that will be documented

in the forthcoming EIS, the responsible official will decide whether or not to implement, in whole or in part, the proposed action or another alternative that may be developed by the Forest Service as a result of scoping.

*Scoping Process:* This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. The Forest Service is soliciting comments from Federal, State and local agencies and other individuals or organizations that may be interested in or affected by implementation of the proposed projects. Public questions and comments regarding this proposal are an integral part of this environmental analysis process. Input provided by interested and/or affected individuals, organizations and governmental agencies will be used to identify resource issues that will be analyzed in the draft EIS. The Forest Service will identify significant issues raised during the scoping process, and use them to formulate alternatives, prescribe mitigation measures and project design features, or analyze environmental effects.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the agency's preparation of the environmental impact statement. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer's concerns and contentions.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered, however.

Dated: November 16, 2010.

**Kendall Clark,**

*Carson National Forest Supervisor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2010-0027]

#### Notice of Decision To Issue Permits for the Importation of Wall Rocket Leaves From the United Kingdom Into the Continental United States

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.