DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 30 CFR Part 732

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection request for 30 CFR 732—Procedures and Criteria for Approval or Disapproval of State Program Submissions, has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The information collection request describes the nature of the information collection and the expected burden and cost. The OMB control number for this collection of information is 1029–0024 and is found at 30 CFR 732.10.

DATES: OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days. Therefore, public comments should be submitted to OMB by March 14, 2011, in order to be assured of consideration.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Department of the Interior Desk Officer, by telefax at (202) 395–5806 or via e-mail to OIRA_Docket@omb.eop.gov. Also, please send a copy of your comments to John Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave., NW., Room 202—SIB, Washington, DC 20240, or electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov. Please refer to OMB control number 1029–0024 in your correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection request contact John Trelease at (202) 208–2783, or electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov. You may also review this collection by going to http://www.reginfo.gov (Information Collection Review, Currently Under Review, Agency is Department of the Interior, DOI—OSMRE).

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), require 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)]. OSM has submitted a request to OMB to renew its approval of the collection of information contained in 30 CFR part 732 for approving or disapproving state program submissions. OSM is requesting a 3-year term of approval for the information collection activity. An agency 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. The OMB control number for this collection of information is 1029–0024.

As required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), a Federal Register notice soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on November 17, 2010 (75 FR 70288). No comments were received. This notice provides the public with an additional 30 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity:

Title: 30 CFR 732—Procedures and Criteria for Approval or Disapproval of State Program Submissions.

OMB Control Number: 1029–0024.

Summary: Part 732 establishes the procedures and criteria for approval and disapproval of State program submissions. The information submitted is used to evaluate whether State regulatory authorities are meeting the provisions of their approved programs.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: Once and annually.

Description of Respondents: 28 State and Tribal regulatory authorities.

Total Annual Responses: 43.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 7,565.

Send comments on the need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; the accuracy of the agency’s burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collection; and ways to minimize the information collection burdens on respondents, such as use of automated means of collections of the information, to the addresses listed under ADDRESSES. Please refer to the appropriate OMB control number in all correspondence.

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 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.


Stephen M. Sheffield,
Acting Chief, Division of Regulatory Support.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Notice of Funding Opportunity and Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA) for Ex Offenders—Adult Program Grants

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice of Solicitation for Grant Applications (SGA).

Funding Opportunity Number: SGA/ DFA PY 10–10.

SUMMARY: Through this notice, the U.S. Department of Labor’s (the “Department”) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) announces the availability of approximately $11.7 million in grant funds to provide pre-release and post-release services to ex-offenders returning to high poverty, high-crime communities. These services will include job training and employment preparation, mentoring, and assistance connecting to supportive services such as housing, substance abuse programs and mental health treatment. Specifically, the employment component of the grant will focus on the development of employment opportunities in in-demand occupations, including emerging “green” jobs. These grants will be awarded through a competitive process. The Department expects to award approximately 10 grants of approximately $1,170,000 each for a 27-month period of performance.

The complete SGA and any subsequent SGA amendments, in connection with this solicitation is described in further detail on ETA’s Web site at http://www.doleta.gov/grants/find_grants.cfm or on http:// www.grants.gov. The Web sites provide application information, eligibility requirements, review and selection procedures and other program requirements governing this solicitation.

DATES: The closing date for receipt of applications is March 17, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brinda Ruggles, 200 Constitution
Discount Rates for Cost-Effectiveness Analysis of Federal Programs

AGENCY: Office of Management and Budget.

ACTION: Revisions to Appendix C of OMB Circular A–94.

SUMMARY: The Office of Management and Budget revised Circular A–94 in 1992. The revised Circular specified certain discount rates to be updated annually when the interest rate and inflation assumptions used to prepare

the budget of the United States Government were changed. These discount rates are found in Appendix C of the revised Circular. The updated discount rates are shown below. The discount rates in Appendix C are to be used for cost-effectiveness analysis, including lease-purchase analysis, as specified in the revised Circular. They do not apply to regulatory analysis.

DATES: The revised discount rates are effective immediately and will be in effect through December 2011.


Alexandre Mas, Associate Director for Economic Policy, Office of Management and Budget.

Attachment

APPENDIX C
(Revised December 2010)

DISCOUNT RATES FOR COST–EFFECTIVENESS, LEASE PURCHASE, AND RELATED ANALYSES

Effective Dates. This appendix is updated annually. This version of the appendix is valid for calendar year 2011. A copy of the updated appendix can be obtained in electronic form through the OMB home page at http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars_a094/a94_appx-c/, the text of the main body of the Circular is found at http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars_a094/, and a table of past years’ rates is located at http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/assets/a94/dischist.pdf. Updates of the appendix are also available upon request from OMB’s Office of Economic Policy (202–395–3381).

Nominal Discount Rates. A forecast of nominal or market interest rates for 2011 based on the economic assumptions for the Fiscal Year 2012 Budget are presented below. These nominal rates are to be used for discounting nominal flows, which are often encountered in lease-purchase analysis.

| NOMINAL INTEREST RATES ON TREASURY NOTES AND BONDS OF SPECIFIED MATURITIES (IN PERCENT) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3-Year | 5-Year | 7-Year | 10-Year | 20-Year | 30-Year |
| 1.4 | 1.9 | 2.4 | 3.0 | 3.9 | 4.2 |

Real Discount Rates. A forecast of real interest rates from which the inflation premium has been removed and based on the economic assumptions from the 2012 Budget is presented below. These real rates are to be used for discounting constant-dollar flows, as is often required in cost-effectiveness analysis.

| REAL INTEREST RATES ON TREASURY NOTES AND BONDS OF SPECIFIED MATURITIES (IN PERCENT) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3-Year | 5-Year | 7-Year | 10-Year | 20-Year | 30-Year |
| 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 2.1 | 2.3 |

Analyses of programs with terms different from those presented above may use a linear interpolation. For example, a four-year project can be evaluated with a rate equal to the average of the three-year and five-year rates. Programs with durations longer than 30 years may use the 30-year interest rate.

Agenda

March 16

• Update on recent NSF environmental activities.
• Update on national and international environmental collaborations.
• Meeting with the NSF Director.

March 17

• Update on NSF’s Science, Engineering and Education for Sustainability portfolio (SEES).

Dated: February 8, 2011.

Susanne Bolton, Committee Management Officer.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Advisory Committee for Environmental Research and Education; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, as amended), the National Science Foundation announces the following meeting:

Name: Advisory Committee for Environmental Research and Education, #9487.

Dates: March 16, 2011, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m. and March 17, 2011, 8:30 a.m.–2 p.m.

Place: Stafford I, Room 1235, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Virginia 22230.

Type of Meeting: Open.


Minutes: May be obtained from the contact person listed above.

Purpose of Meeting: To provide advice, recommendations, and oversight concerning support for environmental research and education.

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