

submission with #1028–0095. Please also submit a copy of your comments to Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); or smbaloch@usgs.gov (email). Please reference Information Collection 1028–0095.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Earl Greene, Acting Chief Office of External Research, U.S. Geological Survey, 5522 Research Park Drive, MS 436, Baltimore, Maryland 21228 (mail) at (443) 498–5505 (Phone); or eargreene@usgs.gov (email). You may find additional information about this information collection at www.reginfo.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Institutes for Water Resources (NIWR) USGS Competitive Grant Program.

OMB Control Number: 1028–0095.

Abstract: The NIWR–USGS National Competitive Grant Program issues an annual call for proposals to support research on water problems and issues of a regional or interstate nature beyond those of concern only to a single state and which relate to specific program priorities identified jointly by the USGS and the state water resources research institutes authorized by the Water Resources Research Act of 1984, as amended (42 U.S.C. 10301 et seq.). The program is conducted in conjunction with the State Water Resources Research Institutes. The NIWR cooperates with the USGS in establishing total programmatic direction, reporting on the activities of the Institutes, coordinating and facilitating regional research and information and technology transfer, and in operating the NIWR–USGS Student Internship Program. Any investigator at an accredited institution of higher learning in the United States is eligible to apply for a grant through a water research institute or center established under the provisions of the Act. Proposals involving substantial collaboration between the USGS and university scientists are encouraged. Proposals may be for projects of 1 to 3 years in duration and may request up to \$250,000 in federal funds. Successful applicants must match each dollar of the federal grant with one dollar from nonfederal sources. An annual progress and final technical report for all projects is required at the end of the project period. This program is authorized by the Water Resources Research Act of 1984, as amended (42 U.S.C. 10303(g)).

No questions of a “sensitive” nature are asked.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Affected Public: Research investigators at accredited institutions of higher education.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary (necessary to receive benefits).

Estimated Number of Respondents: We expect to receive approximately 65 applications and award 7 grants per year.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping “Hour” Burden: We estimate the annual reporting burden to be 3,984 hours. This includes 60 hours per applicant to prepare and submit the application; and 12 hours (total) per grantee to complete the interim and final technical reports.

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

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Comments: To comply with the public consultation process, on August 28, 2012, we published a **Federal Register** notice (77 FR 52052) announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60-day public comment period, which ended October 29, 2012. In response to our **Federal Register** Notice, we received one comment, which consisted of a general invective about the U.S. Government and did not pertain to this information collection. We are again soliciting comments as to: (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) how to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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 OMB in your comment to withhold your personal

identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

Dated: December 27, 2012.

Earl Greene,

Acting Chief, Office of External Research, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of an extension of currently approved information Collection, 1028–0096, Department of the Interior Climate Science Centers (DOI CSCs).

SUMMARY: We (the U.S. Geological Survey) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC. This collection is scheduled to expire on April 30, 2013.

DATES: Submit written comments by March 12, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703) 648–7199 (fax); or smbaloch@usgs.gov (email). Please Reference Information 1028–0096 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nadine Hartke by mail at U. S. Geological Survey, MS 400 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, VA 20192, or by telephone at 703–648–4607.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Abstract:* The name of this information collection has been updated from “Department of the Interior Regional Climate Science Centers” to “Department of the Interior Climate Science Centers (DOI CSCs).” The primary objective of the National Climate Change and Wildlife Science Center (NCCWSC) is to complete science projects on the effects of climate and global change on fish, wildlife and

their habitats. Additionally, the NCCWSC has the responsibility to manage DOI Climate Science Centers that are co-located at cooperating organizations at non-USGS facilities. The DOI CSCs include USGS staff that report to a national USGS office. The NCCWSC works in close partnership with the climate change science and natural and cultural resource management communities to understand high priority science needs and to develop science information tools that can help resource managers develop strategies for responding to climate change. This program provides funding for researchers through cooperative agreements that involve climate change science as a major component.

OMB Control Number: 1028-0096.

Title: Department of the Interior Climate Science Centers.

Respondent Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: Upon release of Program Announcements.

Estimated Annual Number of and Description of Respondents: An estimated 40 institutions of higher education and other non-profit organizations may respond.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 40.

Estimated Completion Time: 20 hours per response.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 800 hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: We estimate the public reporting will average 20 hours per response. This includes time to develop a technical proposal, budget sheets, perform internal proposal reviews, secure support letters, and submit the proposal through Grants.gov.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost:" There are no "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Comments: We are soliciting comments as to: (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) how to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how

to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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 we will be able to do so.

Dated: January 4, 2013.

T. Douglas Beard, Jr.,

Chief NCCWSC, U.S. Geological Survey.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Proposed Shu'luuk Wind Project on the Campo Indian Reservation in San Diego County, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) as lead Federal agency, with the Campo Band of Mission Indians (Tribe) as a cooperating agency, intends to file a DEIS with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for the Proposed Shu'luuk Wind Project in San Diego County, California. This notice also advises the public that the DEIS is now available for public review and provides the date, time, and location of public meetings.

DATES: Written comments on the DEIS must arrive 45 days after EPA publishes its Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. Two public hearings will be held, one on January 29, 2013, and the other on January 30, 2013 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m., and the BIA will accept written comments at the hearings and throughout the comment period. Oral comments will also be taken at each public hearing by a court reporter.

ADDRESSES: You may mail or hand-deliver written comments to Robert Eben, Superintendent, Southern California Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1451 Research Park Drive, Riverside, CA 92507. The January 29,

2013 public hearing will be held at the Alpine Community Center, 1830 Alpine Boulevard, Alpine, California. The January 30, 2013 public hearing will be held at the Campo Indian Reservation Tribal Hall, 31690 Church Road, Campo, California. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice for instructions on submitting comments and locations where the DEIS is available for review.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lenore Lamb, Southern California Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1451 Research Park Drive, Riverside, CA 92507, telephone (951) 276-6625 (ext. 254).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public review of the DEIS is part of the administrative process for the BIA evaluation of the lease between the Tribe and the developer to enable construction and operation of the proposed Shu'luuk Wind Project. Subsequent to the approval of the lease, a wind energy project would be developed on the Campo Indian Reservation in southeastern San Diego County, approximately 60 miles east of San Diego. A Notice of Intent to prepare the DEIS was published in the **Federal Register** on May 20, 2011. The BIA held public scoping meetings for the project environmental review on June 21, 2012, and June 22, 2012, at the Mountain Empire High School, 3305 Buckman Springs Road, Pine Valley, California, and the Campo Indian Reservation Tribal Hall, 31690 Church Road, Campo, California, respectively. Pursuant to Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations (40 CFR 1506.10), the publication of this Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register** initiates a 45-day public comment period.

Background: The proposed action consists of BIA approval of a lease between the Tribe and Invenergy Wind California, LLC to construct and operate a renewable energy facility for up to 35 years on the Campo Indian Reservation. The purpose of the project is to improve the economic conditions of the Campo Band and to provide environmental benefits for the San Diego region through the construction and operation of a renewable energy facility.

The project site is located on the Campo Indian Reservation in southeastern San Diego County, California. The lease area would be up to 900 acres, based on final project design, which is dependent upon which alternative is ultimately selected. The actual disturbance area would be less than the lease area. The project would