

Purpose and Need for Action

The purpose and need of the project is to improve forest health and biological diversity and to provide forest products. There is a need to close the gap between the existing and desired conditions, while protecting forest resources. The objectives are as follows: Forest Health: (1) Reduce tree density and competition, and restore a more resilient condition. (2) Maintain tree vigor for long term general health and to minimize insect and disease susceptibility. (3) Design and implement treatments that move the area towards conditions similar to which existed prior to fire suppression. (4) Use prescribed fire to reduce existing fuel buildups, treat pre- and post-harvest fuels, and influence vegetative development or composition. (5) Design desired fuel treatments to mimic the natural processes of the area and break up fuel continuity. (6) Reduce potential fire size and severity in order to protect natural resources, life, and property within and adjacent to the project area. (7) Maintain soil productivity. Forest Biological Diversity: (1) Manage specific areas to provide habitat for early and mid-seral species while retaining a legacy component. (2) Maintain and promote meadow, wetland, and riparian habitats for vegetation diversity and wildlife species. (3) Maintain conifer/species diversity. (4) Maintain black oak, chinquapin, and madrone when possible. (5) Develop trees toward legacy recruitment components. Provide Forest Products: (1) Provide personal use posts and poles. (2) Provide firewood—personal or commercial. (3) Provide a programmed flow of timber products, within the natural capabilities of the area.

Proposed Action

The Crawford Project includes five overlapping types of treatment: (1) Commercial Thinning—Natural Stands and Plantation Thinning; (2) Noncommercial Fuels Reduction Treatment; (3) Noncommercial Precommercial Thinning (PCT); (4) Mastication; and (5) Meadow and Wetland Restoration. In addition, the proposed action includes the use of 0.29 miles of temporary road on existing roadbeds within the project area, and construction of a total of approximately 0.69 miles of new temporary roads. No roads will be added to or deleted from the National Forest Transportation System. The estimated number of new landings needed for the project is 16 (about 10 acres) and 50 existing landings (about 15 acres).

Responsible Official

Patricia A. Grantham, Klamath National Forest Supervisor.

Nature of Decision To Be Made

The responsible official will decide whether to adopt and implement the proposed action, an alternative to the proposed action, or take no action to make changes to existing conditions in the Crawford Project Area.

Scoping Process

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. The project was originally proposed as an environmental assessment and an opportunity for public scoping comments was provided between August 2011 and October 2011. The proposed action for the EIS is identical the proposal as originally scoped in 2011. If you previously commented on the project, your comments have been and will continue to be considered in the development of alternatives. In order to move forward with this project, we ask that you do not repeat your comments. Following alternative development, the Forest Service will be providing another opportunity to comment on the alternatives and analysis.

If you have any new comments, we welcome those at this time. We are particularly interested in hearing about any potential issues, which are defined as points of discussion, dispute, or debate about the effects of the proposed action. Your participation will help the interdisciplinary team develop effective, issue-driven alternatives and mitigations to the proposed action as needed.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such a 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 project record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, anonymous comments will not provide the respondent with subsequent environmental documents.

Dated: January 21, 2014.

Patricia A. Grantham,

Forest Supervisor.

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CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee

Date and Time: Wednesday, February 12, 2014, 12:00 p.m. [CST].

Place: Via Teleconference. Public Dial-in 1-877-446-3914; Listen Line Code: 6974885.

TDD: Dial Federal Relay Service 1-800-977-8339 give operator the following number: 303-866-1040—or by email at ebohor@usccr.gov.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a planning meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene via conference call. The purpose of the meeting is for orientation and ethics training. The committee will also discuss various civil rights issues in the state and decide a project to move forward on.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments. The comments must be received in the regional office by Wednesday, March 12, 2014. Comments may be mailed to the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 999 18th Street, Suite 1380 South, Denver, CO 80202, faxed to (303) 866-1050, or emailed to Evelyn Bohor at ebohor@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at 303-866-1040.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's Web site, www.usccr.gov, or to contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at the above phone number, email or street address.

The meetings will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission and FACA.

Dated: January 21, 2014.

David Mussatt,

*Acting Chief, Regional Programs
Coordination Unit.*

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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).

Agency: Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS).

Title: Report of Requests for Restrictive Trade Practice or Boycott.

OMB Control Number: 0694-0012.

Form Number(s): BIS-621P, BIS-6051P, BIS-6051P-A.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 412.

Average Hours Per Response: 1 hour to 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Burden Hours: 482.

Needs and Uses: This information is used to monitor requests for participation in foreign boycotts against countries friendly to the U.S. The information is analyzed to note changing trends and to decide upon appropriate action to be taken to carry out the United States' policy of discouraging its citizens from participating in foreign restrictive trade practices and boycotts directed against U.S.-friendly countries.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, 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 JJessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jasmeet Sehra, OMB Desk Officer, by email to Jasmeet.K.Sehra@omb.eop.gov, or by fax to (202) 395-5167.

Dated: January 21, 2014.

Gwellnar Banks,

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief
Information Officer.*

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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).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Marine Mammal Stranding Reports/Marine Mammal Rehabilitation Disposition Report.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0178.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 400.

Average Hours per Response: 30 minutes.

Burden Hours: 5,800.

Needs and Uses: This request is for extension of a current information collection.

The marine mammal stranding report provides information on strandings so that the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) can compile and analyze, by region, the species, numbers, conditions, and causes of illnesses and deaths in stranded marine mammals. NMFS requires this information to fulfill its management responsibilities under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 1421a). NMFS is also responsible for the welfare of marine mammals while in rehabilitation status. The data from the marine mammal rehabilitation disposition report are required for monitoring and tracking of marine mammals held at various NMFS-authorized facilities. This information is submitted primarily by members of the marine mammal stranding networks which are authorized by NMFS.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit organizations; individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer: OIRA_
Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup,

Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at JJessup@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: January 21, 2014.

Gwellnar Banks,

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief
Information Officer.*

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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).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Management and Oversight of the National Estuarine Research Reserve System.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0121.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 29.

Average Hours Per Response: Grant applications, 8 hours; additional documentation with applications, 1 hour; grant progress reports, 5 hours; grant final reports, 2 hours; management plans and site profiles, 1,800 hours each; site designations, 2,500 hours.

Burden Hours: 8,909.

Needs and Uses: This request is for extension of a current information collection.

The Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA; 16 U.S.C. 1461 *et seq.*) provides for the designation of estuarine research reserves representative of various regions and estuarine types in the United States to provide opportunities for long-term research, education and interpretation. During the site selection and designation process, information is collected from states in order to prepare a management plan and environmental impact statement. Designated reserves apply annually for operations funds by submitting a work plan; subsequently progress reports are