

amended (Act), prohibits certain activities with endangered species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing such permits.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by March 16, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Program Manager for Restoration and Endangered Species Classification, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232-4181. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Colleen Henson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address, or by telephone (503-231-6131) or fax (503-231-6243).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for certain permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits for endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities (including take or interstate commerce) with respect to U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

**Application Available for Review and Comment**

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies and the public to comment on the following application. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review by request from the Program Manager for Restoration and Endangered Species Classification at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5

U.S.C. 552a) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

*Permit Number: TE-017352*

*Applicant:* Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Division of Fish and Wildlife, Saipan, MP

The applicant requests amendment of a permit to take (playback survey) Mariana common moorhens (*Gallinula chloropus guami*) and to take (playback survey, photograph, and videograph) Micronesian megapodes (*Megapodius laperouse*) throughout the Commonwealth of the Northern Islands in conjunction with research for the purpose of enhancing species' survival.

**Public Availability of Comments**

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

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 that we will be able to do so.

**Authority**

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: January 21, 2015.

**Richard R. Hannan,**  
*Regional Director, Pacific Region, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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**Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Probate of Indian Estates**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of submission to OMB.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for renewal for the collection of information titled

“Probate of Indian Estates, Except for Members of the Osage Nation and the Five Civilized Tribes.” The information collection is currently authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0169, which expires February 28, 2015.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 16, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on the information collection to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at the Office of Management and Budget, by facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or you may send an email to: *OIRA\_Submission@omb.eop.gov*. Please send a copy of your comments to Charlene Toledo, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Services, Division of Probate Services 2600 N Central Ave STE MS 102, Phoenix, AZ 85004: *Charlene.Toledo@bia.gov*.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Charlene Toledo, (505) 563-3371. You may review the information collection request online at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Follow the instructions to review Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

The Secretary of the Interior probates the estates of individual Indians owning trust or restricted property in accordance with 25 U.S.C. 372-373. In order to compile the probate file, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) must obtain information regarding the deceased from individuals and the tribe. This request for renewal makes adjustments to reflect the accurate number of respondents. As a result, the estimated burden hours has increased from 1,037,493 to 1,037,513 hours. No other changes were made to the information collection.

**II. Request for Comments**

On October 28, 2014, the BIA published a notice announcing the renewal of this information collection and provided a 60-day comment period in the **Federal Register** (79 FR 64210). The BIA received one comment in response to this notice. The commenter expressed disagreement with the application of the Act of August 4, 1947, 61 Stat. 731, and proposed repealing of the 1947 Act would reduce the burden in collecting information for probate of restricted land. However, the data for this information collection is collected under 25 U.S.C. 372-373, which does not apply to members of the Five Civilized Tribes. Therefore, no changes

were made to this information collection.

The BIA requests your comments on this collection concerning: (a) The necessity of this information collection 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 (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Ways we could enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents.

Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the ADDRESSES section.

Before including your address, phone number, email address or other personally identifiable 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 that we will be able to do so.

**III. Data**

*OMB Control Number:* 1076–0169.  
*Title:* Probate of Indian Estates, Except for Members of the Osage Nation and Five Civilized Tribes.

*Brief Description of Collection:* This part contains the procedures that the Secretary of the Interior follows to initiate the probate of the trust estate for a deceased person who owns an interest in trust or restricted property. The Secretary must perform the information collection requests in this part to obtain the information necessary to compile an

accurate and complete probate file. This file will be forwarded to the Office of Hearing and Appeals (OHA) for disposition. Responses to these information collection requests are required to create a probate file for the decedent's estate so that OHA can determine the heirs of the decedent and order distribution of the trust assets in the decedent's estate. A response is required to obtain or retain a benefit.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of currently approved collection.

*Respondents:* Indians, businesses, and tribal authorities.

*Number of Respondents:* 65,751.

*Frequency of Response:* One per respondent each year with the exception of tribes that may be required to provide enrollment information on an average of approximately 10 times/year.

*Estimated Total Annual Responses:* 76,695.

*Estimated Time per Response:* Ranges from 0.5 hours to 45.5 hours (see table below).

CFR Section	Description of info collection requirement	Number of responses per yr	Hours per response	Total burden hours
15.9 .....	File affidavit to self-prove will, codicil, or revocation .....	1,000	0.5	500
15.9 .....	File supporting affidavit to self-prove will, codicil, or revocation.	2,000	0.5	1,000
15.104 .....	Reporting req.-death certificate .....	5,850	5	29,250
15.105 .....	Provide probate documents .....	21,235	45.5	966,193
15.203 .....	Provide tribal information for probate file .....	5,660	2	11,320
15.301 .....	Reporting funeral expenses .....	5,850	2	11,700
15.305 .....	Provide info on creditor claim (6 per probate) .....	35,100	0.5	17,550
Total .....	.....	76,695	.....	1,037,513

*Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden:* 1,037,513.

*Estimated Total Annual Non-Hour Dollar Cost:* \$0.

Dated: February 10, 2015.

**Elizabeth K. Appel,**

*Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action—Indian Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Intent To Amend the Resource Management Plan for the Bureau of Land Management Gunnison Field Office and Prepare an Associated Environmental Impact Statement, Colorado**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (FLPMA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Gunnison Field Office, Gunnison, Colorado, intends to prepare a Resource Management Plan (RMP) amendment with an associated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and by this notice is announcing the beginning of the scoping process to solicit public comments and identify issues.

**DATES:** This notice initiates the public scoping process for the RMP amendment with associated EIS. Comments on issues may be submitted in writing until March 16, 2015. The date(s) and location(s) of any scoping meetings will be announced at least 15 days in advance through local media, newspapers and the BLM Web site at: <http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/fo/>

*gfo.html*. In order to be included in the Draft EIS, all comments must be received prior to the close of the 30-day scoping period or 15 days after the last public meeting, whichever is later. The BLM will provide additional opportunities for public participation as appropriate.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on issues and planning criteria related to the Gunnison Field Office RMP amendment/EIS by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* [blm\\_co\\_gfo\\_nepa\\_comments@blm.gov](mailto:blm_co_gfo_nepa_comments@blm.gov).
- *Fax:* 970–642–4990.
- *Mail:* 210 West Spencer Street, Suite A, Gunnison, CO 81230.

Documents pertinent to this proposal may be examined at the BLM Gunnison Field Office at the address above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kristi Murphy, Outdoor Recreation Planner; telephone, 970–642–4955; address, 210 West Spencer Street, Suite A, Gunnison, CO 81230; email, [blm\\_](mailto:blm_)