SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Holle Waddell by email at hwaddell@blm.gov, or by telephone at 405–579–1860.

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comments addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the BLM; (2) can this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the BLM enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the BLM minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments and responses to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize comments in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. 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.

Abstract: This notice pertains to the collection of information that enables the BLM to administer its program for wild horses and burros in compliance with the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act (16 U.S.C. 1331–1340). In addition to seeking renewal of control number 1004–0042, the BLM requests revision of an existing information-collection activity and form, and requests the addition of an information-collection form that has been in use without a control number.

OMB has approved Form 4710–10 and its information-collection activity previously with the title, “Application for Adoption of Wild Horse(s) or Burro(s).” The BLM proposes that the information-collection activity and form be revised to enable both adoptions and purchases of wild horses or burros, as authorized by 43 U.S.C. 1333(d) and (e). The revised form that includes sales is titled, “Application for Adoption & Sale of Wild Horses and Burros.” The form that has been in use without a control number is Form 4710–24, “BLM Facility Requirement Form” for use by individuals and non-governmental organizations that participate along with the BLM in joint training programs to increase the number of trained animals available for adoption or purchase.

Title of Collection: Protection, Management, and Control of Wild Horses and Burros (43 CFR part 4700).

OMB Control Number: 1004–0042.

Form Numbers: 4710–10 and 4710–24.

Type of Review: Renewal and revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Those who wish to adopt and or purchase wild horses and burros.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 7,943.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 7,943.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: Varies from 10 minutes to 30 minutes, depending on activity.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 3,822.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Burden Cost: $2,400.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq).

Jean Sonneman,
Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Bureau of Land Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plat Survey; Eastern States

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of official filing; Louisiana and New York.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the following described lands are scheduled to be officially filed in the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Eastern States Office, Washington, DC, 30 days from the date of this publication.

DATES: Unless there are protests of this action, the filing of the plats described in this notice will happen on November 30, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Written notices protesting these surveys must be sent to the State Director, BLM Eastern States, Suite 950, 20 M Street SE, Washington, DC 20003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dominica Van Koten, Chief Cadastral Surveyor for Eastern States; (202) 912–7756; email: dvankote@blm.gov; or U.S. Postal Service: BLM–ES, Suite 950, 20 M Street SE, Washington, DC 20003.

Attn: Cadastral Survey. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The lands surveyed are:

Louisiana Meridian, Louisiana

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The plat, incorporating the field notes describe the dependent resurvey of a portion of the subdivisional lines and the survey of section 58, Township 14 South, Range 9 East, of the Louisiana Meridian, Louisiana; accepted September 29, 2017. The survey was requested by the Southeastern States District Office, BLM.

Allegany and Cattaraugus Counties, New York

The plat, incorporating the field notes of the dependent resurvey of the Oil Springs Indian Reservation; in the state of New York; accepted September 1, 2017. The survey was requested by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

A person or party who wishes to protest the above surveys must file a
written protest 30 calendar days from the date of this publication at the address listed in the ADDRESSES section of this notice. A statement of reasons for the protest may be filed with the notice of protest and must be filed within 30 calendar days after the protest is filed. If a protest against a survey is received prior to the date of official filing, the filing will be stayed pending consideration of the protest. A plat will not be officially filed until the day after all protests have been dismissed or otherwise resolved.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, please be aware that your entire protest, 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.

A copy of the described plats will be placed in the open files, and available to the public as a matter of information.

Authority: 43 U.S.C. Chap. 3.

Leon W. Chmura, Acting Chief Cadastral Surveyor.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

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Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for a General Management Plan Amendment, Point Reyes National Seashore and North District of Golden Gate National Recreation Area, Marin County, California

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The National Park Service (NPS) is preparing a General Management Plan Amendment (GMP Amendment) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for all lands currently under agricultural lease/permits within Point Reyes National Seashore and the north district of Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

DATES: The NPS requests that comments be submitted by November 30, 2018. Open houses will be announced in local media.

ADDRESSES: Information will be available for public review online at http://parkplanning.nps.gov/PORECGMPA and in the Office of the Superintendent, 1 Bear Valley Road, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956 (415–464–5120, telephone). You may submit your comments by any one of several methods. You may comment online at http://parkplanning.nps.gov/PORECGMPA. You may mail or hand deliver comments to the Superintendent, Point Reyes National Seashore, 1 Bear Valley Road, Point Reyes Station, CA 94956 (415–464–5131, telephone).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C) (NEPA), and the terms of a Settlement Agreement approved by the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California on July 14, 2017 (Resource Renewal Institute et al., v. National Park Service, Case No. 16–cv–00688–SBA (KAW) (N.D. Cal.)) (Agreement), the NPS is preparing an EIS for lands currently leased for ranching within Point Reyes National Seashore and the north district of Golden Gate National Recreation Area (planning area). In preparing the EIS, the NPS will follow all applicable laws and policies and will comply with the terms of the Agreement. The Agreement requires the EIS to address the statutory elements for General Management Plans, unless inapplicable, and to consider three specific alternatives. The EIS will amend the 1980 GMP for the planning area.

This notice also terminates the GMP EIS process for Point Reyes National Seashore initiated by the NPS on October 14, 1997 (62 FR 53336), updated on May 24, 1999 (64 FR 28008), and expanded to include the north district of Golden Gate National Recreation Area lands on February 3, 2000 (65 FR 5365–5366).

Background

Legislation authorizing the establishment of Point Reyes National Seashore (Point Reyes or Seashore) was enacted in 1962 (16 U.S.C. 459c) for the purpose of preserving “a portion of the diminishing seashore of the United States that remains undeveloped.” The Seashore includes more than 71,000 acres of beaches, coastal cliffs and headlands, marine terraces, coastal uplands, forests, and includes all tide and submerged lands to 0.25 miles offshore. The Seashore administers an additional 15,000 acres of the north district of Golden Gate National Recreation Area (Golden Gate NRA) under a Regional Directive for Management. Congress established Golden Gate NRA in 1972 and expanded it in 1980 to include lands within the planning area. The Golden Gate NRA legislation directs the NPS “to preserve for public use and enjoyment certain areas of Marin and San Francisco Counties, California, possessing outstanding natural, historic, scenic, and recreational values . . . .” and to “preserve the recreation area, as far as possible, in its natural setting, and protect it from development and uses which would destroy the scenic beauty and natural character of the area.” 16 U.S.C. 460bb.

Specific provisions of both the Point Reyes and Golden Gate NRA enabling legislation (16 U.S.C. 459c–5 and 460bb–2(j)) authorize the issuance of lease/special use permits (lease/permits) for agricultural, ranching, or dairying purposes. Approximately 28,000 acres of National Park Service lands, including 18,000 acres of Point Reyes National Seashore and 10,000 acres within the north district of Golden Gate National Recreation Area, are currently utilized for beef and dairy ranching under agricultural lease/permits. In the spring of 2014, the NPS initiated development of a Ranch Comprehensive Management Plan to address high priority management needs associated with the approximately 28,000 acres of active beef and dairy ranching on NPS lands within Point Reyes and the north district of Golden Gate NRA. The planning effort also addressed concerns related to the expansion of free-range tule elk into the park ranch lands, as well as other issues including lease duration, succession, and ranch operational flexibility and diversification.

In February 2016, litigation was brought against the NPS related to the ranch planning process and the ongoing use of lands within the planning area for ranching and dairying. The plaintiffs and the NPS, together with the ranchers and the County of Marin, entered into settlement negotiations in an effort to resolve the litigation. As referenced in the Supplementary Information section above, a multi-party Agreement was approved by the U.S. District Court on July 14, 2017. Per the Agreement, the NPS agreed that in lieu of the Ranch Comprehensive Management Plan, the NPS would prepare a GMP Amendment and EIS addressing the management of the lands currently leased for ranching.