

the Requirements for Notification, Evaluation and Reduction of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Federally Owned Housing and Housing Receiving Federal Assistance ("Requirements"). This notice was published in error and therefore is withdrawn. The 60-day public comment request on the information collection requirements will be published when the final rule for the Requirements are published. Publication concurrently with the final rule will allow the public to better comment on the estimated burden. HUD expects that the requirements of the final rule that are subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act will have a delayed effective date that will provide sufficient time for public comment. HUD also expects that this final rule will be published within the next few weeks.

Dated: April 29, 1999.

Camille E. Acevedo,

Assistant General for Regulations.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Availability of Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability of Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that a Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for Little Pend Oreille National Wildlife Refuge is available for public review. The Refuge is located in Stevens County, Washington. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is furnishing this notice in compliance with Service CCP policy and the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and implementing regulations for the following purposes: (1) To advise the public and other agencies of the availability of the document; (2) to solicit public comment on the Draft CCP and DEIS; and (3) to announce public open house meetings.

DATES: Submit comments on or before June 30, 1999. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for meeting dates and locations.

ADDRESSES: Address comments and requests for more information to: Refuge

Manager, Little Pend Oreille National Wildlife Refuge, 1310 Bear Creek Road, Colville, Washington 99114. E-mail comments may be sent to:

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Comments__LPO@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Langelier, Refuge Manager (509) 684-8384

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed action is to develop a Comprehensive Conservation Plan for the Little Pend Oreille National Wildlife Refuge that best achieves the unit's purpose, vision and goals; contributes to the System mission; addresses the significant issues and relevant mandates, and is consistent with principles of sound fish and wildlife management.

Major issues addressed in the draft CCP/EIS include grazing; management of degraded aquatic and riparian habitats; overstocked forest habitats; military training; and various recreational public uses. The plan includes the following topics: (a) An assessment of existing biological, physical, and cultural resources, and their condition; (b) a summary of significant issues identified through scoping; (c) identification of five alternatives which incorporate varying objectives and strategies for habitat management, management of public access and uses, and management of other programs including military training, grazing, and cultural resources; (d) an analysis of the environmental consequences that would be predicted under adoption of any of the identified alternatives; (e) compatibility determinations for public uses, as required by Service law and policy; (f) an appendix summarizing the projects that would be undertaken under the preferred alternative.

A range of alternatives are considered in the draft CCP/EIS:

(A) *The no Action Alternative*—Make no changes to the prevailing practices and uses at the refuge.

(B) *Restore Wildlife Habitat While Managing Existing Public Uses*—This alternative incorporates an active forest and riparian restoration program. It also accommodates most existing public uses, but adopts some restrictions on some uses to ensure less impact to the environment.

(C) *Restore Wildlife Habitat While Emphasizing Priority Uses*—This alternative adopts a greater emphasis on priority uses identified under the Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105-57) and eliminates non-priority uses. This

alternative also incorporates a strong forest and riparian restoration program.

(D) *Manage the Refuge as an Ecological Reserve and Reduce Human Disturbances*—This alternative minimizes human access and use of the refuge while conducting a habitat restoration program. This alternative includes a greater emphasis on hydrologic restoration than other alternatives.

(E) *Combination of Alternatives B and C—Agency Preferred Alternative*—This alternative places management emphasis on restoration of forest and riparian habitat components. A wide range of recreational activities would be supported including hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, photography, and interpretation. Snowmobiling would be eliminated. Other recreational uses, such as camping and horseback riding would continue, but would be managed to reduce impacts to the environment. Camping would be restricted in environmentally sensitive areas such as riparian zones and during some seasons. The annual livestock grazing program would be discontinued, however some periodic grazing may occur to meet wildlife objectives. The Air Force survival training program would be phased out over 5 years.

With the publication of this notice, the public is encouraged to attend public open houses and/or submit written comments on draft CCP/EIS.

Two public open houses will be held as follows:

May 12, 1999, 5pm-8pm, Community Colleges of Spokane, Colville Center, 985 South Elm, Theater, Colville, Washington. (Presentation at 7:00 pm)
May 13, 1999, 5pm-8pm, Inland NW Wildlife Council Building, 6116 North Market St., Spokane, Washington. (Presentation at 7:00 pm)

The Service started the process of developing a management plan for Little Pend Oreille National Wildlife Refuge (Little Pend Oreille NWR) in 1995. Open houses and public meetings were held in 1995, 1996, 1997, and 1998. Previous notices have been published in the **Federal Register** (61 FR 65591, Dec. 13, 1996 and 63 FR 39884, July 24, 1998).

Persons and organizations involved in the scoping process have included: the U.S. Forest Service; U.S. Natural Resource Conservation Service; Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife; U.S. Air Force; Washington Department of Natural Resources; interested local tribes, members of conservation organizations; timber industry representatives; grazing permittees; recreational interest groups; inholders and neighboring landowners;

and other interested citizens. Comments and concerns received have been used to identify issues, prepare alternatives and identify a preferred alternative (Alternative E) for the draft CCP/EIS.

All comments received from individuals on Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements become part of the official public record. Requests for such comments will be handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the Council on Environmental Quality's NEPA regulations [40CFR 1506.6(f)], and other Service and Departmental policy and procedures. When requested, the Service generally will provide comment letters with the names and addresses of the individuals who wrote the comments. However, the telephone number of the commenting individual will not be provided in response to such requests to the extent permissible by law. Additionally, public comment letters are not required to contain the commentator's name, address, or other identifying information. Such comments may be submitted anonymously to the Service.

The environmental review of this project will be conducted in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), NEPA Regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508), other appropriate Federal laws and regulations, the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, and Service policies and procedures for compliance with those regulations.

We estimate that the Final CCP/Environmental Impact Statement will be available in November, 1999.

Dated: April 28, 1999.

Tom Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[BW-110-1830-00 24 1A]

Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

The proposed collection of information listed below has been sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.* On June 16, 1998, BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 32893) requesting comment on this proposed collection. The comment period ended on August 17, 1998. BLM received no comments from the public in response to that notice. Copies of the proposed collection of information and related forms and explanatory material may be obtained by contacting the BLM clearance officer at the telephone number listed below. OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration of your comments, please submit your comments and suggestions on the information requirements in this collection within 30 days directly to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Desk Officer (1004-NEW), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20503, telephone (202) 395-7340. Please provide a copy of your comments to the Bureau Clearance Officer (W0-630), 1849 C St., N.W., Mail Stop 401 LS, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Nature of Comments

We specifically request your comments on the following:

- (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the Bureau of Land Management, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) How to minimize the burden of collecting the information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical or other forms of information technology.

Title: Taxpayer Identification/Social Security Number Form.

OMB Control Number: 1004 _____.

Abstract: The BLM proposes to require the social security or taxpayer identification numbers of all entities doing business with it. This information is required by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. 7701, which gives the Department of the Treasury new powers to collect delinquent payments from individuals and entities that are more than 180 days late in paying the monies owed to the

federal government. BLM will initially collect the information on a form and later on the automated Collection and Billing System.

Bureau Form Number: 1372-6.

Frequency: Once.

Description of Respondents:

Respondents are those entities who do business with BLM: lessees, licensees, permittees, and contract holders. Individuals who pay recreation fees will not be affected.

Annual responses: 120,000 the first year and 5,000 thereafter.

Annual burden hours: 20,000 the first year and 83 thereafter.

Collection clearance officer: Carole Smith, (202) 452-0367.

Dated: April 26, 1999.

Carole, J. Smith,

Bureau of Land Management, Information Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NM-930-1310-01; TXNM 96122]

Notice of Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease; New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of Oil and Gas Lease TXNM 96122, for lands in Montgomery County, Texas, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing from December 1, 1998, the date of termination.

No valid lease has been issued affecting the lands. The lessee has agreed to new lease terms for rentals and royalties at rates of \$10.00 per acre and 16 $\frac{2}{3}$ percent, respectively. The lessee has paid the required \$500.00 administrative fee and has reimbursed the Bureau of Land Management for the cost of this **Federal Register** notice.

The lessee has met all the requirements for reinstatement of the lease as set out in Section 31(d) and (e) of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920, as amended (30 U.S.C. 188), and the Bureau of Land Management is proposing to reinstate the lease effective December 1, 1998, subject to the original terms and conditions of the lease and the increased rental and royalty rates cited above.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: