

habitats, historical resources, and archaeological sites of the refuges. To enable the implementation of management activities outlined under Alternative C, the refuge volunteer program would more than double from current levels and refuge staff would be expanded to eleven.

Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1903 by President Roosevelt "as a preserve and breeding ground for native birds" through an unnumbered Executive Order. Located across the Intracoastal Waterway from Sebastian, Florida, in Indian River County in southeastern Florida, the refuge manages over 5,400 acres of estuarine, transitional, and upland habitats supporting 14 federally listed species and 45 state listed species, as well as a wide variety of mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians, fishes, invertebrates, and plants. Although the refuge exists in an increasingly developed landscape, it supports key fish spawning sites, a globally important juvenile sea turtle habitat, and important bird rookeries. Given its location in a transitional zone between subtropical and temperate climates, refuge supports highly diverse resident and migratory species. Over 600 wildlife species have been confirmed on the refuge with hundreds more expected to occur with more extensive surveys. Over 130 species of birds, over 200 species of fish, and 250 species of plants have been confirmed on the refuge.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge

**ACTION:** Notice of application for a natural gas pipeline right-of-way on Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge, Washington and Hyde Counties, North Carolina.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that under Section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (41 Stat. 449; 30 U.S.C. 185), as amended by Public Law 93-153, the

Eastern North Carolina Natural Gas Company has applied for a permit to construct an 8-inch natural gas pipeline in a 35 foot wide right-of-way. The right-of-way will start at where Canal E Road enters Pungo Unit of the Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge and running approximately for 8.1 miles. This pipeline right-of-way will be on, under, and across a strip of land lying in Washington and Hyde Counties, in the State of North Carolina. The Fish and Wildlife Service is currently considering the merits of approving this application.

**DATES:** Interested persons desiring to comment on this application must do so by August 26, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments or requests for additional information should be addressed to Ms. Jackie Cumpton, Refuges and Wildlife (Realty), Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 420, Atlanta, Georgia 30345, telephone (404) 679-7160; fax (404) 679-7273.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** If you wish to comment, you may do so by one of the following methods. You may mail comments to the above address. You may also comment via the Internet at the following address:

*Jackie\_Cumpton@fws.gov*. Please include your name and return address in your Internet message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the system that we have received your Internet message, contact us at the above phone number or address. Our practice is to make comments, including names and address of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home address from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law.

The Fish and Wildlife Services is the principal Federal agency responsible for conserving, protecting, and enhancing fish, wildlife, and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Geological Survey

#### Request for Public Comments on a Proposed New Information Collection To Be Submitted to OMB for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

A request for a new information collection described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by contacting the USGS Clearance Officer at the phone number listed below. Comments on the proposal should be made within 60 days to the Bureau Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, Reston, VA 20192.

As required by OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), the USGS solicits specific public comments as to:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions on the bureaus, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the bureau's estimate of the burden of the collection of 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 the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

*Title:* National Water Information System Survey.

*OMB Approval No.:* New collection.

**SUMMARY:** The collection of information referred herein applies to a World-Wide Web site questionnaire to be placed on the U.S. Geological Survey NWISWeb Web site (<http://waterdata.usgs.gov/nwis>). The optional survey will assist in identifying the types of customers who use the NWISWeb system, their needs and their satisfaction levels. In particular it will request detailed feedback from users who use the NWISWeb to electronically collect the system's data, so that their needs can be incorporated into future changes to NWISWeb.

*Estimated Completion Time:* 10 minutes.

*Estimated Annual Number of Respondents:* 10,000.

*Frequency:* No frequency. Filling out the survey is wholly voluntary but would normally be done only once per user.