

will be preserved within the Conservation Plan area and approximately 1,000 acres will be subject to incidental take in the permit area. For the golden-cheeked warbler, approximately 26,753 acres of potential habitat is located within the permit area and may be subject to incidental take. This potential warbler habitat could support from 1,605 to 3,210 pairs of warblers. Of the 45,368 acres of potential karst invertebrate habitat occurring in the permit area, approximately 38,349 acres will be unprotected by the proposed Conservation Plan.

To minimize and mitigate the impacts of take, the applicants propose to conserve a minimum of 30,428 acres of black-capped vireo and golden-cheeked warbler habitat in a preserve system; provide for the ongoing maintenance, patrol, and biological management of the conserved habitat; conduct the biological monitoring and research activities in support of the Conservation Plan; and provide funds to implement the habitat Conservation Plan. Alternatives considered include no action; issuance of the permit with the submitted Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan and a 30,428 acre preserve; and issuance of the permit with the submitted Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan and a 35,428 acre preserve.

DATES: Comments will be accepted until April 22, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200; Austin Texas 78758.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph E. Johnston, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, Austin Field Office, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200; Austin, Texas 78758, telephone: (512) 490-0063; facsimile (505) 490-0974.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A limited number of individual copies of the Final EIS/Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) may be obtained by Notices of Availability of the Final EIS/HCP will be sent to everyone currently on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's mailing list for information on the Balcones Canyonlands Conservation Plan.

Copies of the final EIS/HCP are available for inspection at Travis County Precinct offices; City of Austin Municipal Building, Town Lake Center on Barton Springs Road, and Two Commodore Plaza; and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at the above Address.

Dated: March 12, 1996.
Nancy M. Kaufman,
Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.
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Geological Survey

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

A request extending the collection of information listed 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 of information and related forms may be obtained by contacting the bureau clearance officer at the phone number listed below. Comments and suggestions on the requirement should be made directly to the bureau clearance officer and to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (1032-0004), Washington, D.C. 20503, telephone 202-395-7340.

Title: Nonferrous Metals Surveys.

OMB approval number: 1032-0004.

Abstract: Respondents supply the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) with domestic production and consumption data on nonfuel mineral commodities. This information is published in USGS publications including the Mineral Industry Surveys, Volumes I, II, and III of the Minerals Yearbook, and Mineral Commodity Summaries for use by private organizations and other Government agencies.

Bureau form number: 6-1151-MA et al (29 forms).

Frequency: Monthly, Quarterly, and Annual.

Description of respondents: Producers and Consumers of Nonferrous Metals.

Annual responses: 8,505.

Annual burden hours: 9,494.

Bureau clearance officer: Alice J. Floyd 703 648-4918.

Dated: March 11, 1996.
John H. DeYoung, Jr.,
Chairman, Minerals Information Management Council.
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Bureau of Land Management

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Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Number 1004-0001

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is announcing its intention to request renewal of existing approval to collect certain information from those requesting a free-use permit for timber or other plant material when product sale is either not feasible or in the best interest of the Government. BLM needs this information to: 1) determine whether the timber or plant material requested qualifies for free use, 2) determine if disposal is consistent with local land use plans, and 3) ensure that the appropriate office is issuing the permit.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by May 21, 1996 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to: Regulatory Management Team (420), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW, Room 401LS, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Comments may be sent via Internet to: !WO140@attmail.com. Please include "ATTN: 1004-0001" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

Comments may be hand-delivered to the Bureau of Land Management Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW, Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Torgersen, (202) 452-7759.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 CFR 1320.12(a), BLM is required to provide 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning a collection of information contained in a published current rule to solicit comments on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary 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 of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c)

ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. BLM will receive and analyze any comments sent in response to this notice and include them with its request for approval from the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

BLM grants free use of timber and other vegetative resources on public lands through authority provided by the Acts of June 3, 1878 (20 Stat. 88, 16 U.S.C. 604–606) and March 3, 1891 (26 Stat. 1093, 16 U.S.C. 607), as supplemented by the Act of January 11, 1921 (41 Stat. 1088, 16 U.S.C. 604, 612), to settlers, citizens, residents of States, and corporations. The implementing regulations are found at 43 CFR Subpart 5510—Free Use of Timber; General. The regulations were issued on June 13, 1970 (35 FR 10012) and last amended on September 29, 1995 (60 FR 50448). Applicants for free-use permits for timber or other plant material must provide the information listed at 43 CFR 5511.1–1(f). BLM collects the applicant's name and post-office address, and the name and address of any agent or agents who may be employed to procure the material, and the intended purpose of the free-use material using BLM Form 5510–1. The type of material, quantity, legal description of the location, and State and County are completed by the issuing office.

BLM uses the information provided by the applicant to: 1) determine whether the timber or plant material requested qualifies for free use, 2) determine if disposal is consistent with local land use plans, and 3) ensure that the appropriate office is issuing the permit. If BLM did not collect this information, it could not ensure proper authorization of free-use material in accordance with the law. If the ability to regulate use is not ensured, unauthorized degradation of the environment could occur, including unauthorized cutting or collection of plants on non-Public land.

The collection of information is short, simple and not inconvenient to the applicant. Valuable dialogue normally occurs at the time a permit is issued concerning location of the material, collection methods, and any required mitigation measures. Based on BLM's experience administering the activities described above, the public reporting

burden for the information collected is estimated to average one-half hour per response. The respondents are settlers, citizens, residents of States and corporations. The type of information collected is already maintained by the respondents for their own recordkeeping purposes and needs only be entered on the application form. The frequency of response is once, upon applying for a one year free-use permit. The number of responses per year is estimated to be about 160. The estimated total annual burden on new respondents is about 80 hours.

Any interested member of the public may request and obtain, without charge, a copy of Form 5510–1 by contacting the person identified under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 18, 1996.

Dr. Annetta L. Cheek,
Chief, Regulatory Management Team.
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Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection; OMB Approval Number 1004–0012

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is announcing its intention to request extension of approval for the collection of information from States and local government agencies, and from qualified nonprofit corporations and associations, who seek to obtain public lands and benefits under the Recreation and Public Purpose Act of 1926, for recreational and public purposes. The BLM uses the information to determine if an applicant meets the requirements of the Act.

DATES: Comments on the proposed information collection must be received by May 21, 1996 to be considered.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to: Regulatory Management Team (420), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 401LS, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Comments may be sent via Internet to: !WO140@attmail.com. Please include

“Attn: 1004–0012” and your name and address in your Internet message.

Comments may be hand delivered to the Bureau of Land Management Administrative Record, Room 401 L Street NW., Washington, D.C.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alzata L. Ransom, Realty Use Group, at (202) 452–7772.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with 5 CFR 1320.12(a), BLM is required to provide 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning a collection of information contained in a published current rule to solicit comments on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary 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 of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The Recreation and Public Purpose Act (R&PP), as amended (43 U.S.C. 869 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to lease or convey certain public lands to States and local government agencies, and to qualified nonprofit corporations and associations, for recreational and public purposes under specified conditions. The regulations in 43 CFR Part 2740 provide guidelines and procedures for the lease or conveyance of public lands under the Act. The regulations were last revised on July 23, 1992 (57 FR 32732).

The term “public purpose” means for the purpose of providing facilities or services for the benefit of the public in connection with, but not limited to, public health, safety, or welfare. Use of lands or facilities for habitation, cultivation, trade, or manufacturing is permissible only when necessary for and integral to, i.e., essential part of, the public purpose.

The Act applies to all public lands, except lands within national forests, national parks and monuments, national wildlife refuges, Indian lands, and acquired lands. Revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands and