

all comments received within 60 days of the date of publication of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write the above address, or call Department of the Army Reports clearance officer at (703) 614-0454.

Title: Research to Develop a Profile of Army National Guard Members.

Needs and Uses: This research will be a mail survey among Army National Guard members. The research will assist the Army National Guard (ARNG) in making the most effective use of its public relations, advertising and marketing budget for recruiting efforts. The research will help the ARNG and its advertising agency prioritize activities, focus their messages and understand the various segments of Guard members.

Affected Public: Individual or Households.

Annual Burden Hours: 1500.

Number of Respondents: 6000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public relations, advertising and marketing activities can have a significant impact on recruiting and retention of Guard members. Recruiting and retention have been areas of concern in recent years for the Army National Guard. This research will assist the Army National Guard in making the most effective use of its budget for public relations, advertising and marketing activities.

Gregory D. Showalter,

Army Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Corps of Engineers

Intent to Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), Devils Lake, North Dakota, Emergency Outlet

AGENCY: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The 1997 Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act, Public Law (Pub. L.) 105-18, directed the Secretary of the Army to conduct preconstruction engineering and design (PED) for an emergency outlet from

Devils Lake, North Dakota, to the Sheyenne River. The PED authorization also required that an EIS be prepared. The construction of an emergency outlet was not authorized by Pub. L. 105-18.

Devils Lake is a terminal lake located in northeastern North Dakota. Devils Lake has a long history of a wide range of fluctuating lake levels. Since 1993, the lake has risen about 20 feet. Rising lake levels have resulted in damage to houses, businesses, infrastructure, transportation systems, and land uses. Significant expenditures of Federal, State, and local funds have been required to relocate structures and to raise and strengthen roads and levees. While these efforts will provide immediate protection, there is great concern that the lake could continue to rise. The Devils Lake Basin is a subbasin of the Hudson Bay drainage system, although Devils Lake has not contributed to the Hudson Bay drainage for many centuries.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions concerning the DEIS can be directed to: Colonel J.M. Wonsik, District Engineer, St. Paul District, Corps of Engineers, ATTN: Mr. Robert Whiting, 190 Fifth Street East, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-1638.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The DEIS will assess impacts, identify areas of potential impact, identify mitigation features, discuss monitoring activities, and identify future activities associated with an emergency outlet from Devils Lake.

Significant issues and resources to be identified in the DEIS will be determined through coordination with responsible Federal, State, Canadian, and local agencies; the general public; interested private organizations and parties; and affected Native Americans. Anyone who has an interest in participating in the development of the DEIS is invited to contact the St. Paul District, Corps of Engineers.

Significant issues identified to date for discussion in the DEIS are as follows:

1. Natural resources including: fishery, wildlife, vegetation, wetlands, and riparian areas;
2. Cultural resources;
3. Water quality and quantity, groundwater, erosion, and sedimentation;
4. Federally and State listed threatened or endangered plant or animal species;
5. Social and economic resources;
6. Downstream intrastate, interstate, and international resources;
7. Native American and Tribal Trust resources and responsibilities.

Additional issues of significance may be identified through public and agency meetings. A notice of those meetings will be provided to interested parties and to local news media.

Construction of an emergency outlet would be considered major in scope. An outlet to the Sheyenne River has the potential to result in significant impacts. Our environmental review will be conducted according to the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, Council on Environmental Quality Regulations, Endangered Species Act of 1973, Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, and applicable laws and regulations.

We anticipate that the DEIS will be available to the public in the fall of 1998.

Dated: September 30, 1997.

J.M. Wonsik,

Colonel, Corps of Engineers, District Engineer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Bonneville Power Administration

Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery Program

AGENCY: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Notice of availability of Record of Decision (ROD).

SUMMARY: This notice announces the availability of the ROD to implement the Proposed Action Alternative of the Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery Program in the Clearwater River Subbasin in Idaho. This decision is based on the analysis of the alternatives in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery (DOE/EIS-0213, July 1997). In the proposed action, BPA would build and the Nez Perce Tribe would operate two central incubation and rearing hatcheries and six satellite facilities. Spring and fall chinook salmon would be reared and acclimated to different areas in the Subbasin and released at the hatcheries and satellite sites or in other watercourses throughout the Subbasin. Fish would return to reproduce naturally in the areas where they are released.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the ROD and EIS may be obtained by calling BPA's toll-free document request line: 1-800-622-4520.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Leslie Kelleher—ECN-4, Bonneville

Power Administration, P.O. Box 3621, Portland, Oregon, 97208-3621, phone number (503) 230-7692, fax number (503) 230-5699.

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Jack Robertson,

Acting Administrator and Chief Executive Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Agency Information Collection Activities; Reinstatement of Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Energy (DOE).

ACTION: Agency information collection activities; reinstatement of collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: DOE is soliciting comments concerning the reinstatement of OMB's approval to collect information for DOE's Qualified List of Energy Service Companies using a supplemental questionnaire to Standard Form 129.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by December 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Tanya Sadler, Office of Federal Energy Management Programs, EE-92, Forrestal Building, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585, (202) 586-7755, e-mail: tanya.sadler@hq.doe.gov, and fax: (202) 586-3000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Tanya Sadler at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- I. Background
- II. Current Actions
- III. Request for Comments

I. Background

In accordance with the Energy Policy Act of 1992 and 10 CFR 436, the Department of Energy has established the DOE Qualified List of Energy Service Companies (ESCO), comprised of private industry firms that are eligible to perform work under energy savings performance contracts (ESPC) for Federal facilities. For placement on the list, firms are required to complete an application. The application includes a Standard Form 129, Solicitation Mailing List Application, and a supplemental

questionnaire. The supplemental questionnaire asks for: corporate experience including two project descriptions which demonstrate experience in ESPC or the design and installation of energy conservation measures, technological capabilities, proposed staff, financial status, and the submission of two client questionnaires. The data collection is used to evaluate the firms based on criteria established by 10 CFR 436 to be placed on the list. DOE will later seek a reinstatement of the approval by the Office of Management and Budget for the collection under Section 3507(h) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13, Title 44, U.S.C. Chapter 35).

II. Current Actions

This is a reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired. The same information will be collected; however, the supplemental questionnaire will be reorganized and the instructions and questions will be clarified to elicit complete responses. OMB will be requested to approve the collection of information for another three years.

III. Request for Comments

Prospective respondents and other interested parties should comment on the action discussed in item II. The following guidelines are provided to assist in the preparation of responses.

General Issues

A. Is the proposed collection of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency? Does the information have practical utility? Practical utility is defined as the actual usefulness of information to or for an agency, taking into account its accuracy, adequacy, reliability, timeliness, and the agency's ability to process the information it collects.

B. What enhancements can DOE make to the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected?

As a Potential Respondent

A. Are the instructions and definitions clear and sufficient? If not, which instructions require clarification?

B. Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average 2 hours per response. Burden includes the total time and effort expended to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide the information. Please comment on (1) the accuracy of our estimate and (2) how the agency could minimize the burden of the collection of

information, including the use of information technology.

C. DOE estimates that respondents will incur no additional costs for reporting other than the hours required to complete the collection. What is the estimated: (1) Total dollar amount annualized for capital and start-up costs, and (2) recurring annual costs of operation and maintenance, and purchase of services associated with the data collection?

D. Do you know of any other Federal, State, or local agency that collects similar data? If you do, specify the agency, the data element(s), and the methods of collection.

As a Potential User

A. Can you use data at the levels of detail indicated on the form?

B. For what purpose would you use the data? Be specific.

C. Are there alternative sources of data and do you use them? If so, what are their deficiencies and/or strengths?

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the collection. They also will become a matter of public record.

Statutory Authority: Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13).

Issued in Washington, DC, on October 15, 1997.

Joseph J. Romm,

Acting Assistant Secretary, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Energy Research

Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee Notice of Reestablishment

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of reestablishment.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 14(a)(2)(A) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) Pub. L. No. 92-463, and section 101-6.1015, title 41 Code of Federal Regulations, and following consultation with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration (GSA), notice is hereby given that the Fusion Energy Sciences Advisory Committee has been reestablished for a two-year period beginning October 1997.

The Committee will provide advice to the Department on long-range plans, priorities, and strategies for demonstrating the scientific and