

concerns. Since then, new Internet technologies have made it easy for citizens to georeference and share many different types of data via online mapping platforms and social networking sites. These data have been referred to as volunteered geographic information (VGI). As a result of these developments, the USGS has reinstated the volunteer data-collection program for *The National Map* (<http://nationalmap.gov>).

Using crowd-sourcing techniques, the USGS VGI project known as “*The National Map Corps*” encourages citizen volunteers to collect data about manmade structures in an effort to provide accurate and authoritative spatial map data for the USGS National Geospatial Program’s Web-based *The National Map*. Citizens collect and/or improve structures data by adding new features, removing obsolete points, and correcting existing data using a Web-based mapping platform. Points edited become part of the National Structures Database, and include schools, hospitals, post offices, police stations and other important public buildings. Through their participation, volunteers are able to make significant contributions to the USGS’s ability to provide the Nation with accurate mapping information to support response planning for natural hazards and to provide critical data for sustaining and improving the quality of life and economic vitality of the Nation.

Volunteer efforts are recognized through a program that awards “virtual” badges based on the number of contributions submitted. Each edit that is submitted is worth one point towards the badge level. The badges consist of a series of antique surveying instruments ranging from the Order of the Surveyor’s Chain (25–50 points) to the Theodolite Assemblage (2,000+ points). Additionally, volunteers are publicly acknowledged (with their consent) via the USGS’s Twitter (<https://twitter.com/USGSTNM>), Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/USGeologicalSurvey>), and Google+ (<http://bit.ly/1kGmBeD>) social media sites.

Volunteers need nothing but access to a computer and the Internet to participate. *The National Map Corps*’ Web site explains how volunteers can edit any area, regardless of their familiarity with the selected structures. Registration is simple and requires only an email address and self-selected username to facilitate on-going participation. No other personally identifiable information is collected.

The USGS, as authorized by 43 U.S.C. 31, 1332, and 1340, provides research

and scientific information to support the mission of the Department of the Interior and its science requirements. Specifically, the USGS Core Science Systems mission area, under which the National Geospatial Program falls, conducts fundamental research and provides data about the Earth, its complex processes, and its natural resources. These activities provide the Nation with natural science information to support response planning for natural hazards and to manage natural resources. Core Science Systems produces geological, geophysical, and geochemical maps and three-dimensional geologic frameworks that provide critical data for sustaining and improving the quality of life and economic vitality of the Nation, and creates the informatics framework and provides scientific content needed for understanding and stewardship of our Nation’s ecological, geological, and geospatial resources.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1028—NEW.

Title: The National Map Corps.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Affected Public: The general public.

Respondent’s Obligation: None;

Participation is voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: Occasional.

Estimated Annual Number of

Respondents: 1,000.

Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses: 75,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 12,500 hours.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping “Non-Hour Cost” Burden: None.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number and current expiration date.

III. Request for Comments

We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your personal mailing address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personally identifiable information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Kari J. Craun,

Director, National Geospatial Technical Operations Center.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 106–503, the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) will hold its next meeting at the U.S. Geological Survey, in Golden, Colorado. The Committee is comprised of members from academia, industry, and State government. The Committee shall advise the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the USGS’s participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program.

The Committee will receive reports on the status of activities of the Program and progress toward Program goals and objectives. The Committee will assess this information and provide guidance on the future undertakings and direction of the Earthquake Hazards Program. Focus topics for this meeting include the 2014 program plan, 2015 proposed budget, and strategic planning for 2016–2018.

Meetings of the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee are open to the public.

DATES: May 29–30, 2014, commencing at 9:00 a.m. on the first day and adjourning at 1:00 p.m. on May 30th, 2014.

CONTACT: Dr. William Leith, U.S. Geological Survey, MS 905, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192, (703) 648–6786, wleith@usgs.gov.

Dated: May 13, 2014.

J. David R. Applegate,

Associate Director for Natural Hazards.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of extension of Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact.

SUMMARY: This publishes notice of the extension of the Class III gaming compact between the Yankton Sioux Tribe and the State of South Dakota.

DATES: May 16, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 25 CFR 293.5, an extension to an existing tribal-state Class III gaming compact does not require approval by the Secretary if the extension does not include any amendment to the terms of the compact. The Yankton Sioux Tribe and the State of South Dakota have reached an agreement to extend the expiration of their existing Tribal-State Class III gaming compact to October 25, 2014. This publishes notice of the new expiration date of the compact.

Dated: May 9, 2014.

Kevin K. Washburn,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement and Amendments to the Casper Resource Management Plan and Thunder Basin National Grasslands Land and Resource Management Plan, Converse County, WY

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior and United States Forest Service, Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management and the United States Forest Service intend to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the proposed Converse County Oil and Gas Project; We may also prepare land-use plan amendments to the Casper Resource Management Plan and the Thunder Basin National Grassland Land Resource Management Plan. We are announcing the beginning of the scoping process to solicit public comments and identify issues. The Bureau of Land Management is the lead agency for the Environmental Impact Statement and the United States Forest Service is participating as a cooperating agency.

DATES: Comments on issues may be submitted in writing until June 30, 2014. In order to be included in the analysis, all comments must be received prior to the close of the 30-day scoping period or 15 days after the last public meeting, whichever is later. The BLM will provide additional opportunities for public participation as appropriate. The dates and locations of any scoping meetings will be announced at least 15 days in advance through the local news media, newspapers, and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Web site at: http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/field_offices/Casper.html.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by any of the following methods:

- *Web site:* www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/field_offices/Casper.html.
- *Email:* blm_wy_casper_wymail@blm.gov.
- *Fax:* 307-261-7587.
- *Mail:* Converse County Oil and Gas Project, BLM Casper Field Office, 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, WY 82604.

Documents pertinent to this proposal are available for public review at the BLM Casper Field Office or the United States Forest Service (USFS) Douglas Ranger District Office, 2250 East Richards Street, Douglas, Wyoming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Lacko, Assistant Field Manager, telephone: 307-261-7530; address: 2987 Prospector Drive, Casper, WY 82604; email: blm_wy_casper_wymail@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact Ms. Lacko 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. You can call either of these numbers to have your name added to our mailing list.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice initiates the public scoping process for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and land-use plan amendments. The BLM Casper Field Office and USFS Thunder Basin National Grasslands intend to:

- Prepare an EIS to support decision making for the proposed Converse County Oil and Gas Project; and
- Begin the public scoping period to seek input on the preliminary issues identified with respect to this Project. In submitting comments during the scoping period, you should be aware that:

- Authorization of this proposal may require amendments of the 2007 Casper resource management plan or the 2001 Thunder Bay land and resources management plan because resource impacts will likely exceed those analyzed in the existing plans; and .

- A change in circumstances or a proposed action may result in a change in the scope of resources uses or a change in terms, conditions, and decisions of the approved plans for surface disturbance, wildlife, cultural resources, air quality and water quality.

By this notice, the BLM is complying with requirements in 43 CFR 1610.2(c). If land use plan amendments are necessary, the BLM and USFS will integrate the land-use planning processes with the NEPA process for this project.

Where is the proposed project located?

The proposed development project area is located in Converse County and encompasses approximately 1.5 million acres of land, of which approximately 88,000 surface acres (6 percent of the project area) and approximately 965,000 subsurface mineral estate acres (64 percent of the project area) are public lands administered by BLM while USFS manages approximately 64,000 acres of surface (4 percent of the project area) within the project area. The remainder of the project area consists of lands owned by the State of Wyoming and private owners.

What would the project do?

The companies involved propose to develop approximately 5,000 oil and natural gas wells on 1,500 new multi-well pads within the proposed Converse County Oil and Gas Project area over a 10-year period. The companies propose to:

- Develop the project area using directional, vertical, horizontal and other drilling techniques;
- Develop infrastructure to support oil and gas production in the project area including: well pads, roads,