

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Land Management**

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Renewal of Approved Information Collection; OMB Control No. 1004-0001**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.**ACTION:** 30-Day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted an information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to continue the collection of information that enables the BLM to collect information from applicants for free use permits for vegetative or mineral material. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has assigned control number 1004-0001 to this information collection.

DATES: The OMB is required to respond to this information collection request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration, written comments should be received on or before September 30, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Please submit comments directly to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (OMB #1004-0001), Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, fax 202-395-5806, or by electronic mail at OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov. Please provide a copy of your comments to the BLM. You may do so via mail, fax, or electronic mail.

Mail: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 2134LM, Attention: Jean Sonneman, Washington, DC 20240.

Fax: to Jean Sonneman at 202-245-0050.

Electronic mail: Jean_Sonneman@blm.gov.

Please indicate "Attn: 1004-0001" regardless of the form of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mike Bechdolt, at 202-912-7234 (vegetative material); or George Brown, at 202-912-7118 (mineral material).

Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339, to leave a message for Mr. Brown or Mr. Bechdolt. You may also review the information collection request online at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521) and OMB regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 provide that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond. In order to obtain and renew an OMB control number, Federal agencies are required to seek public comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d) and 1320.12(a)).

As required at 5 CFR 1320.8(d), the BLM published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** on March 30, 2016 (81 FR 17732), and the comment period ended May 31, 2016. The BLM received one comment. The comment did not address, and was not germane to, this information collection. Therefore, we have not revised the collection of information in response to the comment.

The BLM now requests comments on the following subjects:

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

Please send comments as directed under **ADDRESSES** and **DATES**. Please refer to OMB control number 1004-0001 in your correspondence. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal

identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

The following information pertains to this request:

Title: Free Use Application and Permit for Vegetative or Mineral Materials (43 CFR parts 3600, 3620, and 5510).

OMB Control Number: 1004-0001.

Summary: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) collects information from respondents for free use permits for vegetative or mineral materials in order to: (1) Determine whether the applicant is eligible for free use, (2) Determine whether the vegetative or mineral materials at issue qualify for free use; (3) Determine whether free use is consistent with pertinent land use plans and authorities; and (4) Monitor the authorized removal and uses of vegetative and mineral materials to ensure sustainable resource management and verify that the actual use is consistent with the authorization. The BLM seeks approval to continue to use one combined application and permit form for vegetative materials, and begin using two different forms for mineral materials (one for applications, and one for permits).

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Forms:

- 3604-1a, Free Use Permit Application for Mineral Materials;
- 3604-1b, Free Use Permit for Mineral Materials; and
- 5510-1, Free Use Application and Permit for Vegetative Materials.

Description of Respondents:

Individuals seeking authorization for free use of mineral or vegetative materials.

Estimated Annual Responses: 403.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 241.

Estimated Annual Non-Hour Costs: None.

The estimated annual burdens of this collection are itemized below:

Type of response	Number of responses	Time per response (minutes)	Number of hours (Column B × Column C)
A.	B.	C.	D.
Form 5510-1 Free Use Application and Permit for Vegetative Material (Federal, State, or Local Governments)	83	30	42

Type of response	Number of responses	Time per response (minutes)	Number of hours (Column B × Column C)
A.	B.	C.	D.
Form 5510–1 Free Use Application and Permit for Vegetative Material (Mining Claimants and Nonprofit Organizations)	167	30	84
Forms 3604–1a and 3604–1b Free Use Application and Permit for Mineral Material (Federal, State, or Local Governments)	150	45	113
Forms 3604–1a and 3604–1b Free Use Application and Permit for Mineral Material (Non-profit Organizations)	3	45	2
Totals	403		241

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2016 Second Call for Nominations for Certain New Mexico Resource Advisory Councils

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to reopen the request for public nominations for certain New Mexico Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Resource Advisory Councils (RAC) that have member terms expiring this year. These RACs provide advice and recommendations to the BLM on land use planning and management of the National System of Public Lands within their geographic areas. The RACs covered by this request for nominations are identified below. The BLM will accept public nominations for 30 days after the publication of this notice.

DATES: All nominations must be received no later than September 30, 2016.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the address of BLM New Mexico Offices accepting nominations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Allison Sandoval, U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, New Mexico State Office, 301 Dinosaur Trail, Santa Fe, NM 87502–0115; 505–954– 2019.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) directs the Secretary of the Interior to involve the public in

planning and issues related to management of lands administered by the BLM. Section 309 of FLPMA (43 U.S.C. 1739) directs the Secretary to establish 10- to 15-member citizen-based advisory councils that are consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). As required by FACA, RAC membership must be balanced and representative of the various interests concerned with the management of the public lands. The rules governing RACs are found at 43 CFR subpart 1784 and include the following three membership categories:

Category One—Holders of Federal grazing permits or leases; representatives of energy and mineral development; representatives of the commercial timber industry; representatives of interests associated with transportation or rights-of-way; or representatives of developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle use, and commercial recreation;

Category Two—Representatives of nationally or regionally recognized environmental organizations; archaeological and historic organizations; dispersed recreation activities; or nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro organizations; and

Category Three—Persons who hold State, county, or local elected office; employees of a State agency responsible for management of natural resources, land or water; representatives of Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the council is organized; persons who are employed as academicians in natural resource management or natural sciences; or representatives of the affected public-at-large.

Those who have already submitted a nomination in response to the first call for nominations (published in the **Federal Register** on March 18, 2016, 81 FR 14879) do not need to resubmit. All nominations from the first and second calls will be considered together during the review process. Individuals may nominate themselves or others.

Nominees must be residents of the State of New Mexico. The BLM will evaluate nominees based on their education, training, experience, and knowledge of the geographical area of the RAC. Nominees should demonstrate a commitment to collaborative resource decision-making. Individuals who are Federally registered lobbyists are ineligible to serve on all FACA and non-FACA boards, committees, or councils in an individual capacity. The term “individual capacity” refers to individuals who are appointed to exercise their own individual best judgment on behalf of the government, such as when they are designated Special Government Employees, rather than being appointed to represent a particular interest. The following must accompany all nominations for the RACs:

- Letters of reference from represented interests or organizations;
- A completed Resource Advisory Council application; and
- Any other information that addresses the nominee’s qualifications.

Simultaneous with this notice, the BLM New Mexico State Office will issue press releases providing additional information for submitting nominations, with specifics about the number and categories of member positions available for each RAC.

Nominations and completed applications for RACs should be sent to the appropriate BLM offices listed below:

Albuquerque District RAC: Carlos Coontz, Socorro Field Office, BLM, 901 South Highway 85, Socorro, NM 87801, (575) 838–1263.

Farmington District RAC: Tamara Faust, Farmington District Office, BLM, 6251 College Boulevard, Farmington, NM 87402, (505) 564–7762.