DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Information Collection Sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval; OMB Control Number 1018-0132; Research to Support Outdoor Recreation Management at Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge - Phase 2

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (Fish and Wildlife Service) have sent an Information Collection Request (ICR) to OMB for review and approval. The ICR, which is summarized below, describes the nature of the collection and the estimated burden and cost. This ICR is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2007. We may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before June 25, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments and suggestions on this ICR to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at OMB-OIRA at (202) 395-6566 (fax) or OIRA_DOCKET@OMB.eop.gov (e-mail). Please provide a copy of your comments to Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (mail); (703) 358-2269 (fax); or hope_grey@fws.gov (e-mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Hope Grey by mail, fax, or e-mail (see ADDRESSES), or by telephone at (703) 358–2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 1018-0132. Title: Research to Support Outdoor Recreation Management at Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge -Phase 2.

Service Form Number(s): 3-2330 and 3-2330A.

Type of Request: New collection.
Affected Public: Visitors to and camp/
home owners near Lake Umbagog
National Wildlife Refuge.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary. Frequency of Collection: One time. Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 500 (250 per survey). Estimated Total Annual Responses:

500 (250 per survey).

Estimated Time Per Response: 15
minutes for visitor survey; 20 minutes
for camp/home owner survey.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 146.

Abstract: Lake Umbagog National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), located in northern New Hampshire and Maine, contains significant natural and recreational resources. In 2006, we began a research study to gather information to help support application of visitor carrying capacity at the refuge. We conducted a survey of visitors to the refuge to determine relevant indicators of quality for the visitor experience. Indicators of quality are measurable, manageable variables that reflect the essence or meaning of management objectives.

We have asked OMB to renew this information collection to include phase 2 of this study. During phase 2, we plan to survey visitors and nearby camp and home owners to identify standards of quality for relevant indicator variables and to determine attitudes toward management actions that we might use to ensure that the standards of quality are maintained.

We propose to conduct two separate surveys. One survey will include a sample of visitors to Lake Umbagog NWR and the second survey will include private camp and home owners adjacent to the refuge. We will collect the same information during both surveys; however, we will ask camp and home owners for additional information about how often they use the refuge.

Comments: On February 22, 2007, we published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 8003) a notice of our intent to request that OMB approve this information collection. In that notice, we solicited comments for 60 days, ending on April 23, 2007. We received one comment.

The commenter objected to the use of Lake Umbagog NWR for hunting, trapping, and related recreational uses. Legislation creating this and other units of the National Wildlife Refuge System specifically allows for these public uses. In addition, the National Wildlife Refuge Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd), which guides planning and management of the National Wildlife Refuge System, identifies six wildlife-dependent recreational uses that should be given priority and provides a process for ensuring that these and other activities do not conflict with the management purpose and goals of each refuge. The commenter also suggested that we use results from a nationwide survey about the recreational habits of citizens of the United States for planning at Lake Umbagog NWR instead of the proposed survey. While the survey mentioned by the commenter may be useful for tracking national recreational trends,

information about appropriate use levels for specific indicators of quality at Lake Umbagog NWR can only be obtained from the proposed surveys. The information that we will collect is important especially at Lake Umbagog NWR. U.S. Senate Report 108-371 notes increasing concern at this refuge over growing recreational use and its potential impacts on sensitive wildlife populations.

We again invite comments concerning this information collection on:

(1) whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) the accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information;

(3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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 OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

Dated: May 1, 2007

Hope Grey,

Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Meeting of the California Desert Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Public Laws 92–463 and 94–579, that the California Desert District Advisory Council to the Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, will participate in a field tour of BLM-administered public lands on Friday, June 22, 2007 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and meet in formal session on Saturday, June 23 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the historic Mission Inn, 3649 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501.

The Council and interested members of the public will depart for the field tour at 8 a.m. from the lobby of the Mission Inn. The public is welcome to participate in the tour but should plan on providing their own transportation, lunch, and beverage.

Agenda topics for the formal session on Saturday will include updates by Council members and reports from the BLM District Manager and five field office managers. Additional agenda topics are being developed. Once finalized, the field tour and meeting agendas will be published in a news release prior to the meeting and posted on the BLM California state Web site at http://www.blm.gov/ca/news/rac.html.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All Desert District Advisory Council meetings are open to the public. Public comment for items not on the agenda will be scheduled at the beginning of the meeting Saturday morning. Time for public comment may be made available by the Council Chairman during the presentation of various agenda items, and is scheduled at the end of the meeting for topics not on the agenda.

While the Saturday meeting is tentatively scheduled from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., the meeting could conclude prior to 3 p.m. should the Council conclude its presentations and discussions. Therefore, members of the public interested in a particular agenda item or discussion should schedule their arrival accordingly.

Written comments may be filed in advance of the meeting for the California Desert District Advisory Council, c/o Bureau of Land Management, External Affairs, 22835 Calle San Juan de Los Lagos, Moreno Valley, California 92553. Written comments also are accepted at the time of the meeting and, if copies are provided to the recorder, will be incorporated into the minutes.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephen Razo, BLM California Desert District External Affairs (951) 697–5217.

Dated: May 17, 2007.

Steven J. Borchard,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meetings—John Day/ Snake Resource Advisory Council (RAC)

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Prineville District.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, the Department of the Interior, BLM John Day Snake RAC will meet as indicated below:

The John Day/Snake RAC is scheduled to meet on June 27, 2007, at the Walla Walla Suites at 7 E. Oak Street in Walla Walla, WA 99362. The meeting time will be from approximately 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. A public comment period will begin at 1 p.m. and end at 1:15 p.m. (Pacific Daylight Time). The meeting may include such topics as off-highway vehicle and travel management, noxious weeds, planning, Sage grouse, and other matters as may reasonably come before the council.

Meeting Procedures: The meeting is open to the public. The public may present written comments to the RAC. Depending on the number of persons wishing to provide oral comments and agenda topics to be covered, the time to do so may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance such as sign language interpretation, tour transportation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact the BLM representative indicated below. For a copy of the information to be distributed to the RAC members, please submit a written request to the BLM Prineville District Office 10 days prior to the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information concerning the John Day/Snake RAC may be obtained from Virginia Gibbons, BLM Public Affairs Specialist, Prineville District Office, 3050 N.E. Third Street, Prineville, Oregon 97754, (541) 416–6647 or e-mail Virginia Gibbons@or.blm.gov.

Dated: May 18, 2007.

Deborah Henderson-Norton,

District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

30-Day Notice of Submission to Office of Management and Budget; Opportunity for Public Comment

AGENCY: Department of Interior, National Park Service.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104–13, 44 U.S.C. 3507) and 5 CFR part 1320, this notice announces the National Park Service's (NPS) intention to request an extension for eight currently approved information collections (ICR) for the Land and Water Conservation Fund (L&WCF) and Urban Park and Recreation Recovery (UPARR) grant programs.

1. L&WCF Description and Notification (DNF) Form. The DNF is necessary to provide data input into the NPS Automated Project information system which provides timely data on projects funded over the life of the L&WCF program.

2. L&WCF Program Performance Report. As required by OMB Circular A– 102, grantees must submit performance reports which describe the status of the work required under the project scope.

3. L&WCF Project Agreement and Amendment Form. The Project Agreement and Amendment forms set forth the obligations assumed by the State through its acceptance of Federal assistance under the L&WCF Act and any special terms and conditions.

4. L&WCF On-Site Inspection Report. The On-Site Inspection Reports are used to ensure compliance by grantees with applicable Federal and program guidelines, and to ensure the continued viability of the funded site.

- 5. L&WCF Conversion of Use Provisions. To convert assisted sites to other than public outdoor recreation, L&WCF project sponsors must provide relevant information necessary to comply with Section 6(f)(3) of the L&WCF Act of 1965.
- 6. UPARR Project Performance Report. As required by OMB Circular A– 102, grant recipients must submit performance reports which describe the status of the work required under the project scope.
- 7. UPARR Conversion of Use Provisions. To convert assisted sites to other than public recreation, UPARR project sponsors must provide relevant information necessary to comply with the Section 1010 of the UPARR Act of 1978.