

of Smith Slough to prevent unacceptable tidal velocities at Pete's Harbor Marina. A flow restrictor would be installed in Corkscrew Slough to prevent increased sedimentation of the Redwood Creek Shipping Channel. Approximately 1,400 acres of tidal salt marsh would be restored more quickly than would occur under the No-Action Alternative for the endangered California clapper rail, salt marsh harvest mouse, and other native wildlife.

A wildlife viewing platform with portage for small boats would be constructed at the flow restrictor in Corkscrew Slough. A 5-mile-per-hour speed limit and no-wake zone would be implemented in Smith and Corkscrew Slough to protect harbor seals and other sensitive wildlife. In addition to waterfowl hunting, Refuge guided trips would continue to be the only public access allowed on Outer and Middle Bair Island. On Inner Bair Island, 1.8 miles of trails on the levee, which would end at two wildlife platforms adjacent to Smith Slough, would replace the 3-mile loop trail. A predator-resistant pedestrian bridge would be built from the existing parking lot to Inner Bair Island. The parking lot would be enlarged to accommodate school buses, a restroom and an information kiosk. The Whipple Avenue entrance would be closed to public access but maintained for emergency vehicle access. Pets (dogs only) would be allowed on the Inner Bair Island trails on a 6-foot leash. Future dog access to Bair Island will be determined during a test period of compliance with Refuge regulations designed to protect wildlife.

As a result of comments made on the Draft EIS/EIR, Alternative 1 in the Final EIS/EIR differs from Alternative 1 in the Draft EIS/EIR in the following ways: (1) The public access trail on Inner Bair Island would be shortened from 2.7 miles to 1.8 miles; (2) a predator-resistant pedestrian bridge would be added to directly connect the existing Bair Island Parking Lot to Inner Bair Island; (3) a 3-foot high berm or one strand fence would be added, to be placed between the public access area and the restored habitat; and (4) the existing parking lot would be enlarged to accommodate school buses, a restroom, and an information kiosk.

Alternative 2, the Tidal Marsh Restoration with Restricted Public Access Alternative, would be the same as the Preferred Alternative (Alternative 1), except for the following: (1) No pets would be allowed on Inner Bair Island; (2) there would be a seasonal closure to boating in Corkscrew Slough to protect harbor seals; (3) no pedestrian bridge

would be built from the Refuge parking lot and the parking lot would not be enlarged to accommodate school buses and a restroom; (4) an existing unimproved trail on the mainland from the Refuge parking lot to the Whipple Avenue trailhead would be improved, and Whipple Avenue would continue to be used as the primary public access route to Inner Bair Island; and (5) the 1.8-mile Inner Bair Island Trail would not extend east of Whipple Avenue, but would extend further along Smith Slough on the west side of Whipple Avenue, ending in one wildlife viewing platform along Smith Slough. Approximately 1,400 acres of tidal salt marsh would be restored more quickly than would occur under the No-Action Alternative for the endangered California clapper rail, endangered salt marsh harvest mouse, and other native wildlife.

Alternative 3, the Tidal and Managed Marsh Restoration with Moderate Public Access Alternative, would be the same as Alternative 2 except for the following: (1) Inner Bair Island would not be restored to tidal salt marsh; (2) Pets (dogs only) would be allowed on the Inner Bair Island trails on a 6-foot leash for a test period to determine compliance with Refuge regulations designed to protect wildlife; and (3) there would not be a seasonal closure of Corkscrew Slough to protect harbor seals. Using water control structures, managed salt marsh would be created on Inner Bair Island, a flow restrictor would be built in Smith Slough to prevent an unacceptable increase in tidal velocity at Pete's Harbor Marina, and the slough would not be restored to its historic meander. Approximately 1,100 acres of tidal salt marsh would be restored on Outer and Middle Bair Island more quickly than would occur under the No-Action Alternative for the endangered California clapper rail, endangered salt marsh harvest mouse, and other native wildlife. Three hundred acres of managed salt marsh would be created on Inner Bair Island for the endangered salt marsh harvest mouse but no habitat would be created for the endangered California clapper rail.

Alternative 4, the Tidal and Managed Marsh Restoration with Restricted Public Access Alternative, would be a mixture of Alternative's 2 and 3. The restoration of 1,100 acres of tidal salt marsh and 300 acres of managed salt marsh on Inner Bair Island would be the same as in Alternative 3. The public access would be the same as in Alternative 2.

This notice is provided pursuant to regulations for implementing the

National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (40 CFR 1506.6).

Dated: July 19, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Submission of Collection of Water Delivery and Electric Service Data for the Operation of Irrigation and Power Projects and Systems to the Office of Management and Budget

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is submitting the information collection titled: Electrical Service Application, 25 CFR 175, OMB Control Number 1076-0021, and Water Request, 25 CFR 171, OMB Central Number 1076-0141, for reinstatement, review, and approval. These collections expired during the Paperwork Reduction Act renewal process.

DATES: Submit comments on or before August 28, 2006.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collection to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at the Office of Management and Budget, by facsimile at (202) 395-6566 or you may send an e-mail to: OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov.

Please send a copy of the comments to John Anevski, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Branch of Irrigation, Power, and Safety of Dams, Mail Stop 4655-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may request further information or obtain copies of the information collection request submission from John Anevski at (202) 208-5480, or by facsimile at (202) 219-0006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments on these two information collections were requested in a **Federal Register** notice published February 28, 2006 (71 FR 10054). No comments were received.

Request for Comments

The Bureau of Indian Affairs requests you to send your comments on this collection to the two locations listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. The Bureau of Indian Affairs solicits comments in order to:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the bureau, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the bureau's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

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

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collections but may respond after 30 days; therefore, comments submitted within 30 days are more assured of receiving maximum consideration. Please note that comments, names, addresses of commentators are available for public review during normal business hours. If you wish us to withhold any information you submit, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law.

Water Request

Type of review: Reinstatement with a change of a previously approved collection.

Title: Water Request, 25 CFR 171.

Summary: In order for irrigators to receive water deliveries, information is needed by the BIA to operate and fulfill reporting requirements. Section 171.7 of 25 CFR part 171, [Irrigation] Operation and Maintenance, specifies the information collection requirement. Water users must apply for water delivery. The information to be collected includes: Name; water delivery location; time and date of requested water delivery; duration of water delivery; rate of water flow; number of acres irrigated; crop statistics; and other operational information identified in the local administrative manuals. Collection of this information was previously authorized under an approval by OMB (OMB Control Number 1076-0141). All information is collected at least annually from each water user with a response required each time irrigation water is provided. Annual reporting and record keeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 8 minutes per request. There is a range of 1 to 10 requests from each irrigation water user each season with an average of 4 responses per respondent.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Description of Respondents: BIA Irrigation Project Water Users.

Total Respondents: 6539.

Total Annual Responses: 26,945.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 13,756 hours.

Electrical Service Application

Type of review: Reinstatement of a previously approved collection.

Title: Electric Service Application, 25 CFR 175.

Summary: In order for electric power consumers to be served, information is needed by the BIA to operate and maintain its electric power utilities and fulfill reporting requirements. Section 175.22 of 25 CFR part 175, Indian electric power utilities, specifies the information collection requirement. Power consumers must apply for electric service. The information to be collected includes: name; electric service location; and other operational information identified in the local administrative manuals. Collection of this information was authorized under an approval by OMB (OMB Control Number 1076-0021). All information is collected from each electric power consumer. Annual reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes for each response for 3,000 respondents, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Thus, the total annual reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection is estimated to be 1,500 hours.

Frequency of Collection: On Occasion.

Description of Respondents: BIA Electric Power Consumers.

Total Respondents: 3,000.

Total Annual Responses: 3,000.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,500 hours.

Dated: July 20, 2006.

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Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the Southern California Edison Devers-Palo Verde No. 2 Transmission Line Project, California

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended (Pub. L. 91-190, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347), and 40 CFR parts 1500-1508, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), together with the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC), hereby gives notice that the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) for the Southern California Edison Company (SCE) Devers-Palo Verde No. 2 Transmission Line Project is available for public review and comment. The BLM is the lead Federal agency for the preparation of this EIS in compliance with the requirements of NEPA. The CPUC is the lead State of California agency for the preparation of this EIR in compliance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This notice serves as an invitation for the public and other cooperating agencies to provide comments on the scope and content of the Draft EIS/EIR.

DATES: To assure that they will be considered, BLM must receive comments on the Draft EIS/EIR within 60 days following the date of publication of a Notice of Availability of this document, in the **Federal Register**, by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The EPA published its Notice of Availability on May 19, 2006, at 71 FR 29148, with a stated end of the comment period to be July 5, 2006. The BLM is extending this comment period until the close of business on August 11, 2006.

ADDRESSES: If you wish to comment, you may submit your comments by any of several methods. You may mail comments to: Gail Acheson, Field Manager; Bureau of Land Management, Palm Springs-South Coast Field Office, P.O. Box 581260, North Palm Springs, CA 92258. You may also comment via the Internet to gchill@ca.blm.gov. Please include in the subject line: "Draft EIS/EIR, DPV2 Transmission Line Project" and your name and return address in