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AUTHORITY FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE SYSTEM:

This system of records is maintained under the authority 44 U.S.C. 3101; 44 U.S.C. 3102; and 5 U.S.C. 301.

ROUTINE USES OF RECORDS MAINTAINED IN THE SYSTEM, INCLUDING CATEGORIES OF USERS AND PURPOSES OF SUCH USES:

The system's main purposes are to: (1) Create a file level listing of the contents of boxes containing inactive records as a quick finding aid, complementing the Standard Form 135 Records Transmittal and Receipt created when records are retired; and (2) provide authorized parties with a tool to search a file level index of all inactive records stored at the American Indian Records Repository (AIRR) in Lenexa, KS.

DISCLOSURES OUTSIDE THE DOI MAY BE MADE TO:

(1) Indian Tribal account holders or their heirs, if deceased; (2) contractors who service and maintain the system for the Department; (3) an expert, consultant, or contractor (including employees of the contractor) of DOI that performs, on DOI's behalf, research and other services requiring access to these records in order to fulfill the purposes for which the underlying documents were created; (4) parties authorized to perform searches to locate official files in order to fulfill the purposes for which the underlying files were created; (5)(a) any of the following entities or individuals, when the circumstances set forth in (b) are met:

- (i) The Department of Justice (DOJ);
- (ii) A court, adjudicative or other administrative body;
- (iii) A party in litigation before a court or adjudicative or administrative body; or
- (iv) Any DOI employee acting in his or her individual capacity if DOI or DOJ has agreed to represent that employee or pay for private representation of the employee;

(b) When

(i) One of the following is a party to the proceeding or has an interest in the proceeding:

- (A) DOI or any component of DOI;
- (B) Any DOI employee acting in his or her official capacity;
- (C) Any DOI employee acting in his or her individual capacity if DOI or DOJ has agreed to represent that employee or pay for private representation of the employee;

(D) The United States, when DOJ determines that DOI is likely to be affected by the proceeding; and

(ii) DOI deems the disclosure to be:

- (A) Relevant and necessary to the proceeding; and

(B) Compatible with the purposes for which the records were compiled.

(6) To a congressional office in response to a written inquiry of an individual covered by the system, or the heir of such individual if the covered individual is deceased, has made to the congressional office about the individual.

(7) To the appropriate Federal agency that is responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing a statute, rule, regulation or order, when we become aware of an indication of a violation or potential violation of the statute, rule, regulation or order.

(8) To an official of another Federal agency to provide information needed in the performance of official duties related to reconciling or reconstructing data files, in support of the functions for which the records were collected and maintained.

(9) To representatives of the National Archives and Records Administration to conduct records management inspections under the authority of 44 U.S.C. 2903 and 2904.

(10) To state and local governments and tribal organizations to provide information needed in response to court order, and/or discovery purposes related to litigation.

DISCLOSURE TO CONSUMER REPORTING AGENCIES:

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552a(b)12, records can be disclosed to consumer reporting agencies as they are defined in the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

STORAGE:

Records are stored in electronic media on hard disks, magnetic tapes and compact disks and paper media.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Information stored in BISS is full text indexed and can be searched by any significant textual item (words and/or numbers) or combination of textual items as well as by any field in the database.

ACCESS SAFEGUARDS:

Maintained in accordance with the Department of the Interior Privacy Act regulations for safeguarding of information (43 CFR 2.51). A Privacy Impact Assessment was completed. Management controls and Rules of Behavior were developed to ensure security controls.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Records relating to persons covered by this system are retained in accordance with the 16BIAM and other respective bureau/office records retention schedules. The system is scheduled for permanent retention.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

Office of Trust Records, Department of the Interior, 4400 Masthead NE., Albuquerque, NM 87109.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:

An individual requesting notification of the existence of records on him or herself in the BISS should address his/her request to the System Manager above. The request must be in writing and signed by the requester and include his or her mailing address and social security number (See 43 CFR 2.60). Note, this system does not maintain the contents of the administrative or program file folder that is being transferred to the records center, and serves solely as a locator tool.

RECORDS ACCESS PROCEDURES:

See procedures above and 43 CFR 2.63.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

See procedures above and 43 CFR 2.71.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Information in this system is obtained from BIA and OST administrative and program records. Future record holdings in AIRR may include Indian-related financial records from other Departmental bureaus or offices.

EXEMPTIONS CLAIMED FOR THE SYSTEM:

None.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Information Collection Renewal to Be Sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; 1018-0113; Grants Program Authorized by the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act (NMBCA)

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (Fish and Wildlife Service, Service) plan to send a request to OMB to renew approval for the collection of information described below under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. We use the information collected to conduct our NMBCA grants program in the manner prescribed by that Act. We also use the information to comply with Federal reporting requirements for grants awarded under the program.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before September 27, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the information collection to Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (mail); hope_grey@fws.gov (e-mail); or (703) 358-2269 (fax).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection requirements or explanatory information, contact Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at the above addresses or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OMB regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C 3501 *et seq.*), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (*see* 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). We will ask OMB to renew approval of the collection of information for the NMBCA grants program. The current OMB control number for this collection of information is 1018-0113, which expires on November 30, 2005. We will request a 3-year term of approval for this information collection activity. Federal agencies 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.

The purposes of NMBCA are (1) to perpetuate healthy populations of neotropical migratory birds; (2) to assist in the conservation of neotropical migratory birds by supporting conservation initiatives in the United States, Latin America, and the Caribbean; and (3) to provide financial resources and to foster international cooperation for those initiatives. Principal conservation actions supported by NMBCA are protection and management of neotropical migratory bird populations; maintenance, management, protection, and restoration of neotropical migratory bird habitat; research and monitoring; law enforcement; and community outreach and education.

Competing for grant funds involves applications from partnerships that describe in substantial detail project locations, project resources, future benefits, and other characteristics, to meet the standards established by the Fish and Wildlife Service and the requirements of NMBCA. The information collection for this program

is part of a system of records covered by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552(a)).

Materials that describe the program and assist applicants in formulating project proposals are available on our Web site at <http://birdhabitat.fws.gov>. Persons who do not have access to the Web site may obtain instructional materials by mail. There has been little change in the scope and general nature of these instructions since OMB first approved the information collection in 2002. Instructions assist applicants in formulating detailed project proposals for consideration by a panel of reviewers from the Fish and Wildlife Service. These instructional materials are the basis for this information collection request. Notices of funding availability are posted annually on the Grants.gov Web site (<http://www.grants.gov>) as well as in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance. We use information collected under this program to respond to such needs as audits, program planning and management, program evaluation, Government Performance and Results Act reporting, Standard Form 424 (Application For Federal Assistance), assistance awards, budget reports and justifications, public and private requests for information, data provided to other programs for databases on similar programs, congressional inquiries, and reports required by NMBCA.

If the information were not collected, we would have to eliminate the program because it would not be possible to determine eligibility and the relative worth of the proposed projects. Reducing the frequency of collection would only reduce the frequency of grant opportunities as the information collected is unique to each project proposal. Discontinuation of the program is not a viable option.

Title: Grants Programs Authorized by the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

OMB Control Number: 1018-0113.

Form Number(s): None.

Frequency of Collection: Occasional. This grants program has one project proposal submission per year. Annual reports are due 90 days after the anniversary date of the grant agreement. Final reports are due 90 days after the end of the project period. The project period is up to 2 years.

Description of Respondents: (1) An individual, corporation, partnership, trust, association, or other private entity; (2) an officer, employee, agent, department, or instrumentality of the Federal Government, of any State, municipality, or political subdivision of a State, or of any foreign government; (3)

a State, municipality, or political subdivision of a State; (4) any other entity subject to the jurisdiction of the United States or of any foreign country; and (5) an international organization.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,000. We estimate 100 hours for each grant proposal.

Number of Respondents: Approximately 40 from the United States. We anticipate funding approximately one quarter of the projects submitted.

We queried five recipients of NMBCA grants with regard to three aspects of the grants programs: (1) The availability of the information requested, (2) the clarity of the instructions, and (3) the annual burden hours for preparing applications and other materials, such as annual and final reports. All respondents advised that the application instructions are readily available for organizations in the United States. One respondent indicated that some smaller organizations in Latin America and the Caribbean might have difficulty finding the information. Similarly, respondents found the clarity of the information/instructions to be good, while some smaller organizations outside the United States might require assistance. One respondent indicated that the Grant Administration Guidelines, provided to successful grant recipients, are complex and sometimes difficult to interpret.

Respondents report that, on average, proposal preparation requires about 70 hours and report preparation averaged about 30 hours, yielding an average annual burden of about 100 hours for a successful recipient of grant funds. We therefore consider our original estimate of 40 hours for proposal preparation only to be low. Pending further refinement from responses to this notice, we may further revise our estimate of the total annual burden hours.

We invite your comments on: (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the NMBCA grants programs, including whether or not in the opinion of the respondent the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of our estimate of the annual hour burden of information requested; (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.

Dated: June 30, 2005.

Hope Grey,

*Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

**Notice of Availability of the Draft
Resource Management Plan and
Environmental Impact Statement for
the Ely Field Office, Nevada**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) and under the authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA), a Draft Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (DRMP/EIS) has been prepared for public lands and resources administered by the Bureau of Land Management's Ely Field Office.

DATES: The comment period will end 120 days after the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability is published in the **Federal Register** announcing the availability of this DRMP/EIS. Comments on the DRMP/EIS must be received on or before the end of the comment period at the address listed below. Public meetings will be held during the comment period. Public meetings will be held in Nevada in the cities of Ely, Caliente, Mesquite, Las Vegas, Reno, and Tonopah. Any other public involvement activities will be announced at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media news releases, newsletter mailings, and on the Ely RMP Web site at <http://elyrmp.ensr.com>.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Ely RMP Team, BLM Ely Field Office, HC 33, Box 33500, Ely, Nevada 89301. Comments may also be sent by e-mail to elyrmp@blm.gov. Documents pertinent to the DRMP/EIS and written comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the Ely Field Office at the address above during regular business hours, 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Responses to the comments will be published as part of the Proposed Resource Management Plan/Final Environmental Impact Statement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information and/or to have your name added to the mailing list contact Gene Draiss, RMP Project Manager, at (775) 289-1880 or correspond by e-mail to elyrmp@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Ely RMP planning area is located in eastern Nevada in Lincoln, Nye, and White Pine Counties. The planning area addressed in the RMP contains 11,400,000 acres of public lands administered by the BLM Ely Field Office and the Caliente Field Station. The DRMP/EIS focuses on the principles of multiple use and sustained yield as prescribed by Section 202 of the FLPMA. The following participated in development of the RMP as cooperating agencies with special expertise: Duckwater Shoshone Tribe; Ely Shoshone Tribe; Great Basin National Park; Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest; Lincoln County; Moapa Band of Paiutes; Nellis Air Force Base; Nevada Division of Minerals; Nevada Department of Transportation; Nevada Department of Wildlife; Nye County; Nevada State Historic Preservation Office; White Pine County; and Yomba Shoshone Tribe.

The public is invited to review and comment on the range and adequacy of the draft alternatives and associated environmental effects. For comments to be most helpful, they should relate to specific concerns or conflicts that are within the legal responsibilities of the BLM and can be resolved in this planning process. The DRMP/EIS provides direction and guidance for the management of approximately 11,400,000 acres of public land located in Lincoln, Nye, and White Pine Counties in eastern Nevada. The DRMP/EIS will replace the Schell and Caliente Management Framework Plans approved in 1983 and 1981, respectively, and the Egan Resource Management Plan approved in 1987.

The public involvement and collaboration process implemented for this effort included six open houses during scoping; presentations to interested organizations upon their invitation; presentations to and suggestions from the Mojave Southern Great Basin and the Northeastern Great Basin Resource Advisory Councils (RACs); and distribution of information via the Ely RMP website and periodic newsletters. A copy of the DRMP/EIS has been sent to individuals, agencies, and groups who requested a copy, or as required by regulation or policy.

The DRMP/EIS considers and analyzes five (5) alternatives, including the No Action Alternative (Continuation of Existing Management), alternatives

that emphasize restoration of ecological systems, commodity production, and exclusion of permitted discretionary uses, and the BLM's Preferred Alternative. These alternatives were developed based on public input including scoping (February through July 2003), numerous meetings with local, State, tribal, and Federal agencies (Cooperating Agencies), and informal meetings with interested organizations upon their request. The alternatives provide for an array of alternative land use allocations and variable levels of commodity production and resource protection and restoration. After comments are reviewed and any pertinent adjustments are made, a Proposed RMP and Final Environmental Impact Statement are expected to be available in the summer of 2006.

The issues addressed in the formulation of alternatives include maintenance and restoration of resiliency to disturbed vegetation within the Great Basin, protection and management of habitats for special status species, upland and riparian habitat management, noxious and invasive plants, commercial uses (including livestock grazing, special recreation permits, mineral development, oil and gas leasing, rights-of-way and communication use areas), Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACECs), travel management, land disposal, and wild horses.

The preferred alternative considers 3 existing ACECs totaling 212,500 acres and 18 proposed new ACECs totaling 135,400 acres and ranging in size from 40 acres to 26,200 acres. The following types of resource use limitations would apply to restrictions on locations of rights-of-way, off-highway vehicle use, mineral exploration or development, disposal of lands and livestock use. For detailed information, see Chapter 2.5.22 of the Draft RMP/EIS.

If you wish to withhold your name or street address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. All submissions from organizations and businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be available for public inspection in their entirety.

Review copies of the DRMP/EIS are available at the following locations in and near the planning area:
BLM Caliente Field Station
BLM Elko Field Office