

these efforts into account when making decisions on whether to list a species as threatened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act. The efforts usually involve the development of a conservation plan or agreement, procedures for monitoring the effectiveness of the plan or agreement, and an annual report.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal government; business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually and on occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: November 14, 2005.

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Applications and Reports for Registration as a Tanner or Agent.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0179.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 108.

Number of Respondents: 54.

Average Hours per Response: 2 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) mandates the protection and conservation of marine mammals and makes the taking, killing or serious injury of marine mammals, except under permit or exemption, a violation of the Act. An exemption is

provided for Alaskan natives to take marine mammals if the taking is for subsistence or for creating and selling authentic native articles of handicraft and clothing. Possession of marine mammals and marine mammal parts by other than Alaskan native is therefore prohibited. As native handicrafts are allowed by the MMPA to enter interstate commerce, an exemption is also needed to allow non-natives to handle the skins or other marine mammal product, whether to tan the pinniped hide or to act as an agent for the native to sell his handicraft products. Persons register for an exemption, and registered parties must file annual reports. The information is needed by NOAA to manage the program and provide for effective law enforcement.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually and on occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Survey of Local Government Finances (School Systems), Forms F-33, F-33-1, F-33-L1, F-33-L2, and F-33-L3

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the

Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 17, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at DHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to James R. Berry, U.S. Census Bureau, Governments Division, Washington, DC 20233-6800; (301) 763-7317 or via the Internet at James.R.Berry.Jr@census.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The U.S. Census Bureau plans to request an extension and revision to the current Office of Management and Budget clearance for the Survey of Local Government Finances (School Systems).

The Census Bureau collects education finance data as part of its Annual Survey of State and Local Governments. This survey is the only comprehensive source of public fiscal data collected on a nationwide scale using uniform definitions, concepts and procedures. The collection covers the revenues, expenditures, debt, and assets of all public school systems. This data collection has been coordinated with the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). The NCES uses this collection to satisfy its need for school system level finance data.

Information on the finance of our public schools is vital to assessing their effectiveness. The products of this data collection make it possible for users to search a single data base to obtain information on such things as per pupil expenditures and the percent of state, local, and Federal funding for each school system. Since the passing of the No Child Left Behind Act there has been an increased demand for data on the Nation's public schools. This survey provides the needed information on the financial aspects of local school districts.

The five forms used in the school finance portion of the survey are:

Form F-33. This form contains item descriptions and definitions of the elementary-secondary education finance items collected jointly by the Census Bureau and the NCES. It is used primarily as a worksheet and instruction guide by the state education agencies

that provide school finance data centrally for all of the school systems in their respective states. All states supply their data by electronic means.

Form F-33-1. This form is used at the beginning of each survey period to solicit the assistance of the state education agencies. It establishes the conditions by which the state education agencies provide their school finance data to the Census Bureau.

Form F-33-L1. This is a supplemental letter sent to the school systems in states where the state education agencies cannot provide information on the assets of individual school systems.

Form F-33-L2. This is a supplemental letter sent to the school systems in states where the state education agency cannot provide information on the indebtedness of individual school systems.

Form F-33-L3. This is a supplemental letter sent to the school systems in states where the state education agency cannot provide information on either indebtedness or assets. This letter combines the items requested on the forms F-33-L1 and F-33-L2.

The data collection is identical to the previous collections except as follows:

Additional items will be added to Part I.A Local Revenue section. Respondents were instructed to report these items as "All other taxes" and "Miscellaneous other local revenue" in previous surveys. They will be included as separate items beginning with this survey cycle to coincide with other government surveys conducted by the Census Bureau.

II. Method of Collection

The Census Bureau collects almost all of the finance data for local school systems from state education agency data bases through central collection arrangements with the state education agencies. The states transfer most of this information in electronic format via e-mail and over the Internet via file transfer protocol. The Census Bureau has facilitated central collection of school finance data by accepting data in whatever formats the states elect to transmit.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0700.

Form Number: F-33, F-33-1, F-33-L1, F-33-L2, F-33-L3.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: State and local governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,058.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1.19 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,633.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$68,773.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.
Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C., sections 161 and 182.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 14, 2005.

Madeleine Clayton,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

(Docket 56-2005)

Proposed Foreign-Trade Zone - Carroll and Jo-Daviess Counties, Illinois, Application and Public Hearing

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Jo-Carroll Foreign Trade Zone Board, a joint-county entity of the Counties of Carroll and Jo-Daviess, Illinois, to establish a general-purpose foreign-trade zone at a site in both counties, adjacent to the Davenport, Iowa/Moline and Rock Island, Illinois Customs port of entry. The FTZ application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the FTZ Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on November 9, 2005. The applicant is authorized to make the proposal under Illinois Statutes 50 ILCS Act 40.

The proposed zone would be the second general-purpose zone in the Davenport, Iowa/Moline and Rock Island, Illinois Customs port of entry.

The existing zone is as follows: FTZ 133, Davenport, Iowa/Milan, Illinois (Grantee: Quad-City Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., Board Order 338, 10/29/86).

The proposed zone consists of one site (2,930 acres), located within the Counties of Carroll and Jo-Daviess. The site is located at the Eagles Landing Development (formerly the Savanna Army Depot), 18935 B Street, Savanna, Illinois 61074. The property is in the process of being conveyed by the U.S. Army to the Jo-Carroll Depot Local Redevelopment Authority, which has converted the former military base to commercial use.

The application indicates a need for zone services in the Counties of Carroll and Jo-Daviess. Several firms have indicated an interest in using zone procedures for warehousing/distribution activities for such products as safety gloves and alcoholic beverages. Specific manufacturing approvals are not being sought at this time. Requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

As part of the investigation, the Commerce examiner will hold a public hearing on December 6, 2005, at 9:00 a.m., at the Jo-Carroll Depot Local Redevelopment Authority Conference Room, 18935 B Street, Savanna, Illinois 61074.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at one of the following addresses below:

1. *Submissions via Express/Package Delivery Services:* Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building-Suite 4100W, 1099 14th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005; or
2. *Submissions via U.S. Postal Service:* Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB-4100W, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

The closing period for their receipt is January 17, 2006. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to February 1, 2006.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at address No. 1 listed above and at the Jo-Carroll Depot Local Redevelopment Authority, 18935 B Street, Savanna, Illinois 61074.