

Early Notice of Importance of Public Participation in Subsequent Environmental Review

A draft environmental impact statement will be prepared for comment. The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the Federal Register.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45 comment period so that comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21)

Dated: September 29, 2006.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket No.: 060615168-6243-02]

Privacy Act of 1974: System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Final Notice to amend a Privacy Act System of Records: COMMERCE/DEPARTMENT-18, "Employees Personnel Files Not Covered by Notices of Other Agencies."

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) publishes this notice to announce the amendment of a Privacy Act System of Records notice entitled COMMERCE/DEPARTMENT-18, "Employees Personnel Files Not Covered by Notices of Other Agencies."

DATES: The system of records becomes effective on October 10, 2006.

ADDRESSES: For a copy of the system of records please mail requests to Brenda Dolan, Department of Commerce Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Officer, Room 5327, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, 202-482-3258.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brenda Dolan, Department of Commerce Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Officer, Room 5327, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230, 202-482-3258.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 6, 2006, the Commerce published and requested comments on a proposed amended Privacy Act System of Records notice entitled COMMERCE/DEPARTMENT-18, "Employees Personnel Files Not Covered by Notices of Other Agencies." No comments were received in response to the request for comments. By this notice, the Department is adopting the proposed system as final without changes effective October 10, 2006.

Dated: October 2, 2006.

Brenda Dolan,

Department of Commerce, Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Census Coverage Measurement Independent Listing and Relisting Operations

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 December 11, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Direct all 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 Magdalena Ramos, U.S. Census Bureau, 4600 Silver Hill Rd., Room 4H265, Washington, DC 20233, 301-763-4295 (or via the Internet at Magdalena.Ramos@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

In preparation for the 2010 Census, the U.S. Census Bureau will conduct a Census Coverage Measurement (CCM) test as part of the 2008 Census Dress Rehearsal. The 2008 Census Dress Rehearsal will be conducted in two sites, one urban, and the other one, a mix of urban and suburban. San Joaquin County, California is the urban site. South Central North Carolina has been selected as the urban/suburban mix test site. This area consists of Fayetteville and nine counties surrounding Fayetteville (Chatham, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, and Scotland). As is typical, the CCM operations and activities will be conducted separate from and independent of the census operations. The CCM program for the dress rehearsal is designed to test that all planned coverage measurement operations are working as expected, that they are integrated internally, and that