

or repatriation to their countries of origin. The Bureau accomplishes its mission through the appropriate use of community correction, detention, and correctional facilities that are either:

Federally owned and operated;
Federal owned and non-federally operated; and
Non-federally owned and operated.

Historically, the Bureau evaluated the establishment and operation of both federal and contract correctional facilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, 42 U.S.C. 4321 (NEPA) on a case-by-case basis. This individualized approach to project evaluation carries with it the advantages of site-specific evaluation, significant public participation, and tailored mitigation plans. However, it is the Bureau's experience that the evaluation of low-security institutions has many common issues that must be separately addressed for each new project. The cost, time, and effort expended in examining these common issues are magnified and can become impractical in the context of awarding contracts for the operation and/or construction of non-federal low security facilities. Therefore, the Bureau proposes to establish national procedures in accordance with NEPA for the award and monitoring of contracts for low-security non-federally owned and operated detention and prison facilities.

In recent years, the Bureau has faced unprecedented growth in its inmate population. It is projected that this growth will accelerate as a result of programs implemented by the Immigration and Naturalization service regarding sentenced and unsentenced aliens. Correctional institutions at the low-security level will be impacted immediately because sentenced and unsentenced aliens are typically housed at the low-security level. Due to the current shortage of beds, especially at the low-security level, the Bureau has been forced to manage its population by designating minimum and medium-security level institutions as low-security institutions, which, in turn, creates a domino effect for all other security levels. The projected population of sentenced and unsentenced aliens will only exacerbate these population pressures.

As a result, the Bureau is seeking flexibility in managing its current shortage of beds in the low-security level as well as the anticipated sharp and/or short-term increases at this security level. Such management flexibility would have to meet population capacity needs in a timely

fashion, conform with federal law, and maintain fiscal responsibility, all while successfully attaining the mission of the Bureau. Management flexibility includes the appropriate contracting of non-federal facilities. In order to do so, the Bureau over the next several months, will be preparing one or more Request for Proposals to be sent to prospective contractors requesting proposals to house in private contract facilities low-security adult non-U.S. citizen males with 60 months or less remaining on their sentences.

To ensure compliance with NEPA, the Bureau is undertaking preparation of a Draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (DPEIS) to determine the potential impacts of this proposal. Topics to be studied as part of the DPEIS includes, but are not limited to: topography, geology/soils, hydrology, biological resources, utility services, transportation services, cultural resources, land uses, social and economic factors, hazardous materials, air and noise quality, among others.

Alternatives: In developing the DPEIS, the options of "no action," "alternative housing arrangements," and "preferred alternative" will be fully and thoroughly examined.

Scoping Process: During preparation of the DPEIS, there will be numerous opportunities for public involvement. Towards that end, the Bureau will host Scoping Meetings to which all interested persons are invited to attend. The purpose of the Scoping Meetings is to afford the public, regulatory agency representatives, and elected officials an opportunity to learn about and voice their interests and concerns regarding the privatization mandate. The Scoping Meetings are being held to provide for timely public comments and understanding of federal plans and programs with possible environmental consequences as required by NEPA. The Scoping Meetings will be held:

7:00 p.m., Thursday, April 29, 1999, at the Solis Cohen Auditorium of Thomas Jefferson University, 1020 Locust Avenue, Jefferson Alumni Hall, 1020 Locust Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

7:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 4, 1999, at the Hall of State Auditorium at Fair Park, 3939 Grand Avenue, Dallas, Texas

7:00 p.m. Thursday, May 6, 1999, at the Marina Village Conference Center Captain's Room, 1936 Quivira Way, San Diego, California

Inquiries or written comments may also be directed to the Bureau through June 1, 1999.

Draft Programmatic EIS Preparation: Public notice will be provided concerning the availability of the Draft

Programmatic EIS for public review and comment.

ADDRESSES: Questions concerning the proposed action and the DPEIS can be answered by: David J. Dorworth, Chief, Site Selection and Environmental Review Branch, Federal Bureau of Prisons, 320 First Street NW., Washington, D.C. 20534, Telephone 1-800-658-1117, Facsimile 202-616-6024, e-mail: siteselection@bop.gov

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 20, 1999.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each individual ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Department of Labor, Acting Departmental Clearance Officer, Pauline Perrow ({202} 219-5096 ext. 165) or by E-Mail to Perrow-Pauline@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for BLS, DM, ESA, ETA, MSHA, OSHA, PWBA, or VETS, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 ({202} 395-7316), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who

are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration (ETA).

Title: Equal Employment Opportunity, Affirmative Action.

OMB Number: 1205-0224 (Extension).

Frequency: On-occasion.

Affected Public: Individuals or household, business or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, Federal Government, State, Local, or Tribal govt.

Number of Respondents: 5,350.

Section No.	Affected Public	Respondents	Frequency	Average time per response
30.3	Apprenticeship Sponsors	112	One-time	30 min.
30.4 .....	.....do	1,336	One-time	1 hr.
30.5 .....	.....do	3,964	One-time	30 min.
30.6 .....	.....do	50	One-time	5hrs.
30.8 .....	.....do	41,480	One-time	1min.
30.3	Apprenticeship Programs	30	One-time	5min.
ETA 9039	Apprentice	50	One-time	1/2 hr.

Total Burden Hours: 6,068.

Total Annualized capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$0.

Description: Title 29 CFR Part 30 sets forth policies and procedures to promote equality of opportunity in

apprenticeship programs registered with the U.S. Department of Labor and recognized State apprenticeship agencies.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS).

Title: Consumer Price Index Commodities and Services Survey.

OMB Number: 1220-0039 (Extension).

Frequency: Monthly.

Affected Public: Individuals and households; business or other for-profit; farms.

Number of Respondents: 49,675 (3 yr. Avg.).

Estimated Time Per Respondent:

Form No.	Total number of respondents	Frequency	Total annual responses	Minutes per response (Average)	Est. total burden hours
BLS	11,831	Annual	11,831	4	789
3400	11,831	Annual	11,831	36	7,099
BLS	11,831	Annual	11,831	23	4,535
3400A.2	3,076	Annual	3,076	6.9	354
BLS	37,844	Monthly/Bimonthly	325,530	14.187	76,972
3400B	42,487	.....	337,361	16	89,749
Totals					

Total Burden Hours: 89,749 (3 yr. Avg.).

Total Annualized Capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total Annual (operating/maintaining): \$0.

Description: The collection of prices directly from retail establishments is essential for the timely and accurate calculation of the commodities and services component of the Consumer Price Index. Respondents include retail establishments throughout the country.

Agency: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA).

Title: Consultation Agreements (29 CFR 1908).

OMB Number: 1218-0110 (Reinstatement).

Frequency: On-occasion, quarterly, biennially, annually.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit; Federal Government, State, Local or Tribal.

Number of Respondents: 27,048.

Estimated Time Per Respondent: Varies (Average of 0.44 hour).

Total Burden Hours: 11,935.

Total Annualized Capital/startup costs: \$0.

Total Annual (operating/maintaining): \$0.

Description: The information collection requirements contained in the consultation regulations are necessary to ensure proper operation of the consultation programs funded by OSHA and operated by the states, and to meet employment participation requirements

of the Compliance Assistance Authorization Act (CAAA) of 1998.

Pauline Perrow,

Acting Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration Wage and Hour Division

Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They