

interests provide a vocal demand for continued/expanded access. At the same time, park managers are dealing with limited budgets and staffing, resource management responsibilities, what constitutes a quality park visitor experience, and sometimes catastrophic/abnormal acts of nature. Travel and tourism operators have an interest in protecting park values that attract their clients and customers. They also have payrolls to meet and investments to protect.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted on or before June 23, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Georgette Tolbert, Director of Tourism, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW, Room 3420, Washington, DC 20240-0001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Georgette Tolbert @ 202/208-6507.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Operational Policies: The 1995 White House Conference on Travel and Tourism established a basis and framework for closer cooperation and mutual understanding between land-managing agencies and the tourism industry. Regional and State tourism conferences have brought park managers and tourism operators together. This dialogue has fostered many of the principles incorporated in the following operational policies:

It is the National Park Service tour policy to: Develop and maintain a constructive dialogue with tourism and travel organizations and businesses.

Collaborate with industry professionals to promote sustainable and informed tourism that incorporates socio-cultural, economic and ecological concerns, and encourages long-term preservation of park resources and quality visitor experiences.

Encourage practices that highlight America's diversity and welcome park visitation by people from all cultural and ethnic backgrounds, ages, and physical and economic means.

Provide costs-effective park visitor orientation and information services to visitors in parks and, as funding and partnerships allow, at the visit planning stage, and at park gateways. Work to ensure that others who provide information to visitors are well-informed and provide accurate information about park activities and resources.

Encourage visitor use of lesser-known parks, underutilized areas, and use during non-peak seasons and times of the day. Encourage visitation to related sites beyond park boundaries, as appropriate, to enhance overall visitor experiences and protection of resources.

Specifically address tourism-related trends, issues and implications in National Park Service park plans and management decisions.

Represent park needs and realities during the preparation of plans and proposals for gateway community services and park tour operations that could impact park visitation, resources, visitor services and infrastructure support.

Work to establish supportable, park-carrying capacities as a basis for communicating with outside interests and the public-at-large on acceptable visitor loads, tours, recreation equipment uses and services. Carrying capacities are defined as use levels that will not adversely impact the park resources or desired quality of park visitor experiences.

Participate in and monitor travel industry research, data gathering and marketing initiatives to ensure that the National Park Service is fully informed of demographic changes and visitor trends.

Ensure that accurate park information is used, realistic visitor expectations are created, and no unrealistic, unsafe, incompatible or harmful-to-park resources recreation practices are depicted in promotional materials and advertising associated with potential park uses.

Provide appropriate information as early as possible to the tourism industry regarding changes in operations and fees.

When feasible, and consistent with park resource protection and budgetary needs, schedule construction, repairs, and resource management practices, such as prescribed burns, in ways and at times which keep key visitor attractions and services accessible for public use during peak visitation periods. Strive to minimize adverse impacts on visitors, as well as on park visitor-dependent businesses.

Establish and maintain lines of communication and protocols to handle the impact of park emergencies and temporary closures so that the public, including tourism communities and tourism-related businesses, have the best current information on when park services will be restored.

Inform visitors, gateway communities and tourism-related businesses about current conditions of key park resources on current protection and recovery/restoration measures. Establish a common understanding on what is needed to ensure adequate protection of those resources for present and future enjoyment and how this can contribute to sustainable park-related businesses and economies.

Develop new partnerships to help implement Servicewide priorities, i.e., the Fee Demonstration Program, Education Initiative, Natural Resources Initiative, and Millennium Projects.

The WASO Director of Tourism is the primary point-of-contact with the tourism industry at the national and international levels and insures that this Director's Order is reviewed annually and updated as needed.

Park superintendents are responsible for implementing these policies at the park level.

Program managers and staff at the WASO and Regional level are responsible for support superintendents in their implementation of these policies.

Destry Jarvis,

Acting Director of Tourism, National Park Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment: Individual Landholder's Certification and Reporting Forms for Acreage Limitation, 43 CFR part 426 and Proposed Rule 43 CFR part 428, OMB Control Number: 1006-0005. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden.

DATES: Your comments must be received on or before June 23, 1999.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments regarding the burden estimate, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington DC 20503. A copy of your comments should also be directed to the Bureau of Reclamation, Attention: D-5200, PO Box 25007, Denver, CO 80225-0007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information or a copy of the proposed forms contact Marilyn Rehfeld, D-5200, PO Box 25007, Denver, CO 80225-007; or by telephone: (303) 445-2899.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Individual Landholder's Certification and Reporting Forms for Acreage Limitation, 43 CFR part 426 and Proposed Rule 43 CFR part 428.

Abstract: This information collection requires certain landholders to complete forms demonstrating their compliance with the acreage limitation provisions of Federal reclamation law. These forms establish each landholder's status with respect to landownership limitations, full-cost pricing thresholds, lease requirements, and other provisions of Federal reclamation law, Title II of Public Law 97-293, and regulations 43 CFR part 426.

All landholders whose entire westside landholdings total 40 acres or less are exempt from the requirement to submit RRA forms. This collection of information allows the Bureau of Reclamation (we, our, or us) to establish landholders' compliance with Federal reclamation law.

Changes to the RRA Forms and the Instructions to Those Forms

We made some changes to the current RRA forms and rewrote the instructions

to those forms in "plain language" to meet the requirements of the President's June 1, 1998, memorandum. Other changes to the forms and the instructions to the forms are editorial in nature and are designed to increase the respondents' understanding of the forms, instructions to the forms, and what information is required to be submitted with the forms to the districts. The proposed revisions to the RRA forms will be included starting in the 2000 water year.

Draft of a New RRA Form

We published a notice of proposed rulemaking entitled: Information Requirements for Certain Farm Operations In Excess of 960 Acres and the Eligibility of Certain Formerly Excess Land, 43 CFR part 428, in the **Federal Register** on November 18, 1998 (63 FR 64154, Nov. 18, 1998), and requested comments on the proposed rule and the information collection to be submitted to us by January 19, 1999. This comment period was later extended to February 18, 1999, and then reopened to April 12, 1999. The proposed rulemaking requires farm operators who provide services to more than 960 nonexempt acres westwide, held by a single trust or legal entity or any combination of trusts and legal entities, to submit RRA forms to the

district(s) where such land is located. We requested comments from the public on whether to revise an existing RRA form or create a new form for farm operators to prepare should the proposed rule be finalized.

Just in case, if the rule is finalized and it is determined that farm operators will be required to submit a separate form, we have prepared a draft of this form for review and comment (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**). We have included the estimated burden for the draft farm operator form (Form 7-21FARMOP) in this notice. Farm operators are not required to submit an RRA form to their district unless the proposed rulemaking is published as a final rule in the **Federal Register**.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondents: Landholders (direct or indirect landowners or lessees) and farm operators of certain lands in Bureau of Reclamation projects, whose landholdings exceed specified RRA forms submittal thresholds.

Estimated Total Number of Respondents: 19,202.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.02.

Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses: 19,586.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 14,829 hours.

Estimate of Burden for Each Form:

Form No.	Estimated number of respondents	Frequency of response	Total annual responses	Burden estimate per form (in minutes)	Total burden hours
Form 7-2180	5,358	1.02	5,465	60	5,465
Form 7-2180EZ	537	1.02	548	45	411
Form 7-2181	1,758	1.02	1,793	(1)	2,331
Form 7-2184	40	1.02	41	45	31
Form 7-2190	1,910	1.02	1,948	60	1,948
Form 7-2190EZ	113	1.02	115	45	86
Form 7-2191	891	1.02	909	(1)	1,182
Form 7-2194	4	1.02	4	45	3
Form 7-21PE	205	1.02	209	(2)	230
Form 7-21TRUST	1,331	1.02	1,358	60	1,358
Form 7-21VERIFY	6,452	1.02	6,581	12	1,316
Form 7-21FC	243	1.02	248	30	124
Form 7-21XS	164	1.02	167	30	84
Form 7-21FARMOP	196	1.02	200	(2)	260
Total	19,202	1.02	19,586	14,829

¹ 1 hr. 18 min.

² 1 hr. 6 min.

Comments

Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of our functions, including whether the information will have practical use;

(b) The accuracy of our burden estimate for the proposed collection of information;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of

automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

An agency 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. Reclamation will display a valid OMB control number on the survey form. A **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting

comments on this collection of information was published in the **Federal Register** on January 4, 1999 (64 FR 174, Jan. 4, 1999). A list of the comments received and our responses to those comments is being sent to: (1) All districts, (2) all commenters, and (3) OMB with this ICR; it is also available from us upon request.

OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove this information collection, but may respond after 30 days; therefore, public comment should be submitted to OMB within 30 days in order to assure maximum consideration.

Wayne O. Deason,

Acting Director, Program Analysis Office.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Certification Summary Form, Reporting Summary Form for Acreage Limitation, 43 CFR part 426 and Proposed Rule 43 CFR part 428.

Abstract: These forms are to be used by district offices to summarize individual landholder (direct or indirect landowner or lessee) certification and reporting forms as required by the Reclamation Reform Act of 1982 (RRA), Acreage Limitation Rules and Regulations, 43 CFR part 426.

This collection of information allows the Bureau of Reclamation (we, our, or us) to confirm districts' compliance with Federal reclamation law.

Changes to the RRA Forms and the Instructions to Those Forms

We made a few changes to the current Form 7-21SUMM-C and Form 7-21SUMM-R and rewrote the instructions to those forms in "plain language" to meet the requirements of the President's June 1, 1998, memorandum. Other changes to the forms and the instructions to the forms are editorial in nature and are designed to increase the respondents' understanding of the forms, instructions to the forms, and what information is required to be submitted with the forms to the districts. The proposed revisions to the RRA forms will be effective in the 2000 water year.

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We anticipate that if the rule is finalized, the districts will be required to provide specific information about declaring farm operators to us annually. We have developed a new Tabulation G to be used with Form 7-21SUMM-C and Form 7-21SUMM-R, and instructions on how to complete that tabulation form to accommodate this requirement. We do not believe the estimated burden hours will increase by requiring districts to complete Tabulation G since only a few districts should have farm operators in this category. Nevertheless, Tabulation G will not be used unless the proposed rule is published as a final rule in the **Federal Register**.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondents: Contracting entities that are subject to the acreage limitation provisions of Federal reclamation law.

Estimated Total Number of Respondents: 276.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.25.

Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses: 345.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 13,800 hours.

Estimate Burden for Each Form:

Form No.	Estimated number of respondents	Frequency of response	Total annual responses	Burden hours per response	Total burden hours
7-21SUMM-C and tabulation sheets	222	1.25	278	40	11,120
7-21SUMM-R and tabulation sheets	54	1.25	67	40	2,680
Total	276	1.25	345	13,800

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