

recreational fishing, recreational boating, the recreational fishing and boating industries, recreational fisheries resource conservation, aquatic resource outreach and education, and tourism. The Council will convene to discuss: (1) The Council's continuing role in providing input to the Fish and Wildlife Service on the Service's strategic vision for its Fisheries Program; (2) the Council's work in its role as a facilitator of discussions with Federal and State agencies and other sportfishing and boating interests concerning a variety of national boating and fisheries management issues; and (3) the Council's role in providing the Interior Secretary with information about the implementation of the Strategic Plan for the National Outreach and Communications Program. The Interior Secretary approved the Strategic Plan in February 1999, as well as the five-year, \$36-million federally funded outreach campaign authorized by the 1998 Sportfishing and Boating Safety Act that is now being implemented by the Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation, a private, nonprofit organization.

Dated: May 9, 2003.

Matt Hogan,

Deputy Director.

[FR Doc. 03-12923 Filed 5-22-03; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4310-55-P

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WO-250-1220-PC-24 1A]

OMB Approval Number 1004-0165; Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted a request to extend the current approved collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On July 30, 2002, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 49370) requesting comment on this information collection. The comment period ended on September 30, 2002. BLM received no comments. You may obtain copies of the collection of information and related forms and explanatory material by contacting the BLM Information Collection Clearance Office at the telephone number listed below.

The OMB must respond to this request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum

consideration your comments and suggestions on the requirement should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0165), at OMB-OIRA via facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or e-mail to Ruth.Solomon@omb.eop.gov. Please provide a copy of your comments to the Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Blvd., Springfield, Virginia 22153.

Nature of Comments: We specifically request your comments on the following:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the BLM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the burden of collecting the information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Cave Management: Cave Nominations and Confidential Information (43 CFR 37).

OMB Approval Number: 1004-0165.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Abstract: We integrate cave management into existing planning and management processes and provide protection of cave resource information in order to prevent vandalism and disturbance of significant caves. Federal agencies must consult with "cavers" and other interested parties to develop a listing of significant caves.

Frequency: Once, when nominating the cave or requesting confidential cave information.

Description of Respondents: Respondents are cavers and other interested parties.

Estimated Completion Time: 3 hours for each nomination and 30 minutes for each request for confidential cave information.

Annual Responses: 50 cave nominations and 10 requests for confidential cave information.

Application Fee per Response: \$0.

Annual Burden Hours: 155.

Bureau Clearance Officer: Michael Schwartz, (202) 452-5033.

Dated: January 9, 2003.

Michael H. Schwartz,

Bureau of Land Management, Information Collection Clearance Officer.

[FR Doc. 03-12925 Filed 5-22-03; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4310-84-M

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[WO-880-9500-PF-24 1A; OMB Approval Number 1004-0109]

Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted a request to extend the current approved collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On August 5, 2002, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 50690) requesting comment on this information collection. The comment period ended on October 4, 2002. BLM received no comments. You may obtain copies of the collection of information and related forms and explanatory material by contacting the BLM Information Collection Clearance Officer at the telephone number listed below.

The OMB must respond to this request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration your comments and suggestions on the requirement should be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0109), at OMB-OIRA via facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or e-mail to Ruth.Solomon@omb.eop.gov. Please provide a copy of your comments to the Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Bureau of Land Management, Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Blvd., Springfield, Virginia 22153.

Nature of Comments: We specifically request your comments on the following:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the BLM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the burden of collecting the information on those who are to respond, including the use of

appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Title: Statement of Federal Land Payments (43 CFR 1881).

OMB Approval Number: 1004-0109.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Abstract: We collect the statutorily required information to compute payments due units of general local government under the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Act. The Act requires the governor of each State to furnish a statement as to the amounts paid to units of general local government under 11 receipt sharing statutes in the prior fiscal year.

Frequency: Once.

Description of Respondents:

Respondents are State governments.

Estimated Completion Time: 20 hours.

Annual Responses: 50.

Application Fee Per Response: \$0.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,000.

Bureau Clearance Officer: Michael Schwartz, (202) 452-5033.

Dated: November 6, 2002.

Michael H. Schwartz,

Bureau of Land Management, Information Collection Clearance Officer.

[FR Doc. 03-12926 Filed 5-22-03; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4310-84-M

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[NV-050-1610-DQ]

Notice of Availability of the Proposed Nevada Test and Training Range Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Proposed Nevada Test and Training Range Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement (RMP/FEIS) is available to the public for a 30-day protest period. The Proposed Plan and associated FEIS were developed in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976.

DATES: Written protests on the FEIS will be accepted if postmarked within 30 calendar days from the date that a Notice of Availability is published in the **Federal Register** by the Environmental Protection Agency. Instructions for filing protests are contained in the Final Environmental

Impact Statement document cover sheet just inside the front cover, and are included below under Supplemental Information.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the Proposed RMP/FEIS may be obtained from the Las Vegas Field Office, 4701 N. Torrey Pines Drive, Las Vegas, NV 89130-2301. Public reading copies are available for review at the public libraries of Clark, Lincoln and Nye Counties, all government document repository libraries and at the following BLM locations: Office of External Affairs, Main Interior Building, Room 6214, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC; Public Room, Nevada State Office, 1340 Financial Blvd., Reno, NV; and the Las Vegas Field Office at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Steinmetz, RMP Team Leader, at BLM's Las Vegas Field Office listed above or telephone (702) 515-5097.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Environmental Protection Agency published the Notice of Availability of the Nevada Test and Training Range Resource Management Plan and Draft EIS in the **Federal Register** on September 21, 2001. The public comment period on the DEIS ended December 20, 2001. The agency preferred alternative, Alternative B, is the selected alternative for the Proposed Plan and FEIS. The preferred alternative represents a coordinated effort between Nellis, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and input from the public on a proposal that would limit conflicts on the military mission by dispersing animals evenly throughout a core area within the herd management area. In addition, the proposed plan provides for the needs of wildlife in the area and rangeland health improvement. The document contains a summary of the decisions and resulting impacts, an overview of the planning process and planning issues, the Proposed Plan, comment letters and responses and verbal comments received during public review of the Draft Plan, and responses to the substantive issues raised during the review.

The Proposed Plan may be protested by any person who participated in the planning process, and who has an interest which is or may be, adversely affected by the approval of the Proposed Plan. A protest may raise only those issues which were submitted for the record during the planning process (*see* 43 CFR 1610.5-2). The protest shall contain the following information:

- The name, mailing address, telephone number, and interest of the person filing the protest.

- A statement of the issue or issues being protested.

- A statement of the part or parts of the document being protested.

- A copy of all documents addressing the issue or issues previously submitted during the planning process by the protesting party, or an indication of the date the issue or issues were discussed for the record.

- A concise statement explaining precisely why the Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Director's decision is wrong.

To be considered "timely" the protest must be postmarked no later than the last day of the 30-day protest period. Also, although not a requirement, it is recommended that the protest be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested. E-mail protests will not be accepted. Faxed protests will be considered as potential valid protests provided (1) that the signed faxed letter is received by the Washington Office protest coordinator by the closing date of the protest period and (2) that the protesting party also provides the original letter by either regular or overnight mail postmarked by the close of the protest period. Please direct faxed protests to "BLM Protest Coordinator" at 202-452-5112. Please direct the follow-up letter to the appropriate address provided below.

Upon resolution of any protests, an Approved Plan and Record of Decision will be issued. The approved Plan/Record of Decision will be mailed to all individuals who participated in this planning process and all other interested public upon their request. Mailing address for filing a protest:

Regular mail	Overnight mail
Director (210), Attn: Brenda Williams, P.O. Box 66538, Washington, DC 20035.	U.S. Department of the Interior, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Protest Coordinator (WO-210), 1620 "L" Street, NW., Rm 1075, Washington, DC 20036.

Dated: March 4, 2003.

Robert V. Abbey,

State Director, Nevada.

[FR Doc. 03-12913 Filed 5-22-03; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 4310-HC-P