

Number 1028-0051. Please also provide a copy of your comments to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703)648-7199 (fax); or [smbaloch@usgs.gov](mailto:smbaloch@usgs.gov) (email). Please reference Information Collection Number 1028-0051 in the subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information about this ICR, Elizabeth Lemersal, Earthquake Hazards Program, (703) 648-6716. To see a copy of the entire ICR submitted to OMB, go to <http://www.reginfo.gov>.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Earthquake Hazards Program Research and Monitoring.

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-0051.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* Research and monitoring findings are essential to fulfilling USGS's responsibility under the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act to develop earthquake hazard assessments and recording and reporting earthquake activity nationwide. Residents, emergency responders, and engineers rely on the USGS for this accurate and scientifically sound information. Respondents to Program Announcements submit proposals to support research and monitoring related to earthquake hazard assessments, earthquake causes and effects, and earthquake monitoring. This information is used as the basis for selection and award of projects meeting the USGS's Earthquake Hazards Program objectives. Final reports of research and monitoring findings are required for each funded proposal; annual progress reports are required for awards of a two- to five-year duration. Final reports are made available to the public at the Web site <http://earthquake.usgs.gov/research/external/>.

#### **I. Data**

*Title:* National Earthquake Hazards reduction Program Annual Announcement of Availability of Funds.

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-0051.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Research scientists, engineers, and the general public.

*Respondent Obligation:* Voluntary; necessary to receive benefits.

*Frequency of Collection:* Annually: Grant proposals and reporting; Every two to five years: Cooperative Agreement proposals and reporting.

*Estimated Annual Number of and Description of Respondents:* 250 Educational institutions, and profit and non-profit organizations.

*Estimated Annual Number of Responses:* 350 (250 applications and narratives and 100 annual and final reports).

*Estimated Completion Time:* 45 hours per application response and 12 hours per final report.

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 12,450 (11,250 hours for applications and 1,200 hours for final reports).

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* We estimate the public reporting burden will average 45 hours per application response. This includes time to develop project goals, write the statement of work, perform internal proposal reviews, and submit the proposal through grants.gov. We estimate the public reporting burden will average 12 hours per final or annual report response. This includes summarizing accomplishments for the past year's funded efforts.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden:* We have not identified any "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

#### **II. Request for Comments**

On October 31, 2012, we published a **Federal Register** notice (77 FR 65903) soliciting comments announcing that we would submit this information to OMB for approval. We solicited comments for a period of 60 days, ending on December 31, 2012. We did not receive any comments concerning that notice.

We again invite comments concerning this information collection on: (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

Dated: February 19, 2013.

**William Leith,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

### **Bureau of Land Management**

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### **Notice of Availability of the Ironwood Forest National Monument Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan, Arizona**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces the availability of the Record of Decision (ROD)/Approved Resource Management Plan (RMP) for the Ironwood Forest National Monument (IFNM), located in portions of Pima and Pinal counties, northwest of Tucson, Arizona. The IFNM was established by Presidential Proclamation on June 9, 2000, for the protection of the significant cultural, biological, geological, and natural resources. These resources were identified as Monument objects in the Proclamation. The Arizona State Director signed the ROD on February 19, 2013, which constitutes the final decision of the BLM and makes the Approved RMP effective immediately.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies in electronic format on compact disk of the ROD/Approved RMP are available in the Tucson Field Office, Bureau of Land Management, 3201 East Universal Way, Tucson, AZ 85756. It is also accessible on the Internet at <http://www.blm.gov/az/st/en/prog/planning/ironwood.html>. Printed copies of the ROD/Approved RMP are available for public inspection at the BLM Tucson Field Office.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Brian Bellow, Tucson Field Manager, telephone: 520-258-7235; address: 3201 East Universal Way, Tucson, AZ 85756; or email: [AZ\\_IFNM\\_RMP@blm.gov](mailto:AZ_IFNM_RMP@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) can call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a

message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Through communication media such as meetings, newsletters, planning bulletins, and news releases, the public was provided opportunities to identify issues that needed to be addressed and to participate in the development of plan alternatives. The public provided comments during the 90-day public comment period on the Draft RMP/Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) published on March 2, 2007 (72 FR 9576); these were addressed in the Proposed RMP/Final EIS published on September 23, 2011 (76 FR 59156).

The Proposed RMP/Final EIS was developed with input and cooperation with the following: Arizona Game and Fish Department, Ak Chin Indian Community, Gila River Indian Community, Tohono O'odham Nation, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community, Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Pima and Pinal counties, Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Arizona State Historic Preservation Office, Arizona State Land Department, and Pima Natural Resource Conservation District.

The IFNM encompasses approximately 128,400 acres of Federal land administered by the BLM; approximately 54,700 acres of State Trust Land inholdings administered by the Arizona State Land Department; approximately 6,000 acres of private land inholdings, 641 acres of Pima County inholdings, and 326 acres of military withdrawal lands. The ROD/Approved RMP applies only to Federal lands and interests located within the established boundary of the IFNM. The BLM's Gila District Tucson Field Office has the responsibility of planning for and management of Federal lands within the IFNM.

The Approved RMP is the same as Alternative C in the Proposed RMP, with minor modifications made in preparing the Approved RMP. The BLM received eight protest letters on the Proposed RMP/Final EIS. The BLM Director denied all protest issues. The Director's Protest Resolution Report can be accessed at the following Web site: [http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/planning/planning\\_overview/protest\\_resolution/protestreports.html](http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/planning/planning_overview/protest_resolution/protestreports.html).

Key decisions in the ROD/Approved RMP include:

1. Off-highway vehicle use designations are established, limiting all motorized vehicle use to designated routes on approximately 117,520 acres and closing 10,880 acres to all

motorized vehicle use. Guidance for management of the Monument access route network is provided, and a transportation plan with route-specific management objectives will be developed within 6 months of the effective date of the ROD/Approved RMP. Travel route designations include 124 miles of roads and primitive roads to provide motorized access and travel; 118 miles of routes to accommodate administrative use of motorized vehicles and public use for non-motorized and non-motorized mechanized travel; and 90 miles of routes to accommodate non-motorized non-mechanized travel for administrative and public use. Seventeen (17) miles of routes will be closed and restored.

2. Monument lands are closed to recreational target shooting. State Trust Land inholdings are already off limits to recreational target shooting. This change will help bring consistency in the way both Federal and State lands are managed and help reduce confusion for the public. Hunting will continue to be allowed in accordance with Arizona hunting laws and regulations.

The BLM determined that the IFNM ROD/Approved RMP provides a framework for long-term protection of Monument objects while allowing authorized uses, recreation activities, and scientific studies that are consistent with the protection of the objects of the Monument.

The Arizona Governor's Office did not identify any inconsistencies between the Proposed RMP/Final EIS and State or local plans, policies, and programs during the Governor's Consistency Review.

The ROD/Approved RMP for the IFNM contains implementation level decisions that identify travel route designations for roads, primitive roads, administrative roads and trails, and route closures for restoration, with specific management designations which are described in Appendix D of the ROD/Approved RMP. These implementation decisions establish the route network for motorized and non-motorized access for administrative purposes and public use within the IFNM.

Any party adversely affected by these implementation level decisions may file an appeal within 30 days of publication of this Notice of Availability pursuant to 43 CFR part 4, subpart E. The appeal should state the specific route(s), as identified in Appendix D of the ROD/Approved RMP, on which the decision is being appealed and describe the reasons for the appeal. The appeal must be filed with the Tucson Field Manager at the above address. Please consult the

appropriate regulations for further appeal requirements.

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1502.2 and 43 CFR 1610.5.

**Deborah K. Rawhouser,**

*Acting Arizona State Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

#### Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Request for Comments for 1029-0120

**AGENCY:** Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection request for the Nomination and Request for Payment Form for OSM's Technical Training Courses, has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. This information collection activity was previously approved by OMB, and assigned control number 1029-0120. The information collection request describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost.

**DATES:** OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days. Therefore, public comments should be submitted to OMB by March 27, 2013, in order to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Department of the Interior Desk Officer, via email at [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov), or by facsimile to (202) 395-5806. Also, please send a copy of your comments to John Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave. NW., Room 203-SIB, Washington, DC 20240, or electronically to [jtrelease@osmre.gov](mailto:jtrelease@osmre.gov). Please reference 1029-0120 in your correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To receive a copy of the information collection request contact John Trelease at (202) 208-2783, or electronically at [jtrelease@osmre.gov](mailto:jtrelease@osmre.gov). You may also review the information collection