

be collecting are available in the public docket for this ICR (Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OW-2006-0408). The docket can be viewed online at www.regulations.gov or in person at the EPA Docket Center, EPA West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) 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; (ii) 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; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) 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. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

Abstract: WaterSense is a voluntary program designed to create self-sustaining markets for water-efficient products and services via a common label. The program provides incentives for manufacturers and builders to design, produce, and market water-efficient products and homes. In addition, the program provides incentives for certified professionals (e.g. certified irrigation auditors, designers, or installation and maintenance professionals) to deliver water-efficient services. The program also encourages consumers and commercial and institutional purchasers of water-using products and systems to choose water-efficient products and use water-efficient practices.

As part of strategic planning efforts, EPA encourages programs to develop meaningful performance measures, set ambitious targets, and link budget expenditures to results. Data collected under this ICR will assist WaterSense in

demonstrating results and carrying out evaluation efforts to ensure continual program improvement. In addition, the data will help EPA estimate water and energy savings and inform future product categories and specifications.

Form Numbers:

*Forms not yet finalized in *italics*.

Partnership Agreement

- Irrigation partners 6100-07
- Promotional partners 6100-06
- Retailers/distributors 6100-12
- Manufacturers 6100-13
- Professional Certifying

Organizations 6100-07

- Builders 6100-19
- Licensed Certification Providers

6100-20

- Licensed Certifying Body 6100-13

Annual Reporting Form

- Promotional partners 6100-09
- Manufacturers (separate forms for plumbing and non-plumbing product manufacturers) 6100-09
- Retailers/Distributors 6100-09
- Builders 6100-09
- *Professional Certifying Organizations 6100-X1*

Provider Quarterly Reporting Form

- Licensed Certification Providers 6100-09

Award Application Form

- Irrigation Partners 6100-17
- Promotional Partners 6100-17
- Manufacturers 6100-17
- Retailers/Distributors 6100-17
- Builders 6100-17
- Licensed Certification Providers 6100-17

- Professional Certifying

Organizations 6100-17

Consumer Awareness Survey

- *Survey form 6100-X2*

Respondents/affected entities:

Respondents will consist of WaterSense partners and participants in the consumer survey. WaterSense partners include product manufacturers; professional certifying organizations; retailers; distributors; utilities; federal, state, and local governments; home builders; irrigation professionals; licensed certification providers; and NGOs.

Respondent's obligation to respond: Voluntary.

Estimated number of respondents: EPA estimates the total number of respondents (over 3 years) to be 3,261.

Frequency of response: Once a prospective partner organization reviews WaterSense materials and decides to join the program, it will submit the appropriate Partnership Agreement for its partnership category

(this form is only submitted once). Each year, EPA also asks partners to submit an Annual Reporting Form and Awards Application (voluntarily at the partner's discretion). Licensed certification providers for WaterSense-labeled new homes are asked to submit a Provider Quarterly Reporting Form four times each year. EPA also will conduct a Consumer Awareness Survey once over the three-year period of the ICR.

Total estimated burden: 8,926 hours (per year for both respondents and EPA). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

Total estimated cost: \$699,872 (per year for both respondents and EPA), includes \$3,290 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

Changes in Estimates: There is a decrease of 51,420 hours in the estimated burden on respondents (over three years) compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. There is a decrease of 144,966 hours in the total estimated burden (for respondents and EPA, over three years) compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. The WaterSense program has been modified and expanded significantly since the current ICR was approved in 2010; however, the program has made efforts over the last several years to reduce the burden for its partners and the Agency. Program changes, including using online forms, eliminating product notification forms for manufacturers, and deciding not to require irrigation partners to report annually have led to significantly reduced operation & maintenance costs and a lower estimated burden. Finally, EPA has a better understanding of how long it takes partners to complete program forms and better historical data to project new partners and forms over the next three years.

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Randolph L. Hill,
Acting Director, Office of Wastewater Management.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Environmental Impacts Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency: Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564-7146 or <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/>.

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed 02/19/2013 Through 02/22/2013
Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

Notice

Section 309(a) of the Clean Air Act requires that EPA make public its comments on EISs issued by other Federal agencies. EPA's comment letters on EISs are available at: <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/eisdata.html>.

EIS No. 20130043, Final EIS, USAF, CA, F-15 Aircraft Conversion, 144th Fighter Wing, California Air National Guard, Fresno-Yosemite International Airport, Review Period Ends: 04/01/2013, Contact: Robert Dogan 240-612-8859.

EIS No. 20130044, Draft EIS, FHWA, NV, Pyramid Way and McCarran Boulevard Intersection Improvement Project, Comment Period Ends: 04/15/2013, Contact: Abdelmoez Abdalla 775-687-1231.

EIS No. 20130045, Draft EIS, USACE, 00, Update of the Water Control Manual for the Alabama-Coosa-Tallapoosa River Basin in Georgia and Alabama, Comment Period Ends: 05/01/2013, Contact: Lewis Sumner 251-694-3857.

EIS No. 20130046, Final EIS, FERC, CA, Middle Fork American River Project, Review Period Ends: 04/01/2013, Contact: Matt Buhoff 202-502-6824.

EIS No. 20130047, Draft EIS, NPS, FL, Everglades National Park Draft General Management Plan/East Everglades Wilderness Study, Comment Period Ends: 04/15/2013, Contact: Eric Thuerk 303-987-6852.

EIS No. 20130048, Draft EIS, BOEM, 00, Gulf of Mexico OCS Oil and Gas Lease Sales: 2014 and 2016 Eastern Planning Area Lease Sales 225 and 226, Comment Period Ends: 04/15/2013, Contact: Gary D. Goeke (504) 736-3233.

Amended Notices

EIS No. 20120392, Draft EIS, USACE, 00, Lower Snake River Programmatic Sediment Management Plan, Washington and Idaho, Comment Period Ends: 03/26/2013, Contact: Sandra Shelin 509-527-7265.

Revision to FR Notice Published 12/21/2012; Extending Comment Period to 03/26/2013.

Dated: February 26, 2013.

Cliff Rader,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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Watershed Modeling To Assess the Sensitivity of Streamflow, Nutrient, and Sediment Loads to Climate Change and Urban Development in 20 U.S. Watersheds

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of Public Comment Period and Letter Peer-Review.

SUMMARY: EPA is announcing a 45-day public comment period for the draft document titled *Watershed Modeling to Assess the Sensitivity of Streamflow, Nutrient, and Sediment Loads to Climate Change and Urban Development in 20 U.S. Watersheds* (EPA/600/R-12/058). EPA also is announcing that an EPA contractor for external scientific peer review will select an independent group of experts to conduct a letter peer review of the draft document. The document was prepared by the National Center for Environmental Assessment within EPA's Office of Research and Development and is intended to characterize the sensitivity of streamflow, nutrient (nitrogen and phosphorus), and sediment loading to a range of plausible mid-21st century climate change and urban development scenarios. The study also provides an improved understanding of methodological challenges associated with integrating existing tools and datasets to assess the potential effects of climate change and urban development on stream flow and water quality.

EPA intends to forward the public comments that are submitted in accordance with this notice to the external peer reviewers for their consideration during the letter review. When finalizing the draft document, EPA intends to consider any public comments received in accordance with this notice. EPA is releasing this draft assessment for the purposes of public comment and peer review. This draft assessment is not final as described in EPA's information quality guidelines and it does not represent and should not be construed to represent Agency policy or views. The draft document is available via the Internet on the NCEA home page under the Recent Additions and the Data and Publications menus at www.epa.gov/ncea.

DATES: The 45-day public comment period begins March 1, 2013 and ends April 15, 2013. Technical comments

should be in writing and must be received by EPA by April 15, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The draft document, *Watershed Modeling to Assess the Sensitivity of Streamflow, Nutrient, and Sediment Loads to Climate Change and Urban Development in 20 U.S. Watersheds*, is available primarily via the Internet on the National Center for Environmental Assessment's home page under the Recent Additions and the Data and Publications menus at www.epa.gov/ncea. A limited number of paper copies are available from the Information Management Team, NCEA; telephone: 703-347-8561; facsimile: 703-347-8691. If you are requesting a paper copy, please provide your name, mailing address, and the document title.

Comments may be submitted electronically via www.regulations.gov, by mail, by facsimile, or by hand delivery/courier. Please follow the detailed instructions provided in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the public comment period, contact the Office of Environmental Information Docket; telephone: 202-566-1752; facsimile: 202-566-1753; or email: ORD.Docket@epa.gov.

For technical information, contact Thomas Johnson, NCEA; telephone: 703-347-8618; facsimile: 703-347-8694; or email: johnson.thomas@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Information About the Project/Document

There is growing concern about the potential effects of climate change on water resources. Watershed modeling was conducted in 20 large, U.S. watersheds to characterize the sensitivity of streamflow, nutrient (nitrogen and phosphorus) loading, and sediment loading to a range of plausible mid-21st century climate change and urban development scenarios. The study also provides an improved understanding of methodological challenges associated with integrating existing tools (e.g., climate models, downscaling approaches, and watershed models) and datasets to assess the potential effects of climate change and urban development on stream flow and water quality. Study sites were selected to represent a range of geographic, hydrologic, and climatic characteristics throughout the nation. Watershed simulations were conducted using the Soil Water Assessment Tool (SWAT) and Hydrologic Simulation Program—FORTRAN (HSPF) models.