DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Information Collection To Be Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice, information collection.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104–13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). We have submitted a request to OMB to renew its approval of the collection of information for the Federal Subsistence Hunt Application and Permit, Designated Hunter Permit Application and Report, and Federal Subsistence Fish/Shellfish Harvest/Designated Harvester Application. We are requesting a 3-year term of approval of this information collection. Pursuant to our request for OMB approval of this information collection, we invite comments on (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of its functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of our estimate of burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used, and (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 30, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Send comments and suggestions to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of the Interior Desk Officer, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503; and to our Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222–ARLSQ, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Charles Miller, Alaska Subsistence Office, 907/776–3888 or Rebecca Mullin, Service Information Collection Clearance Officer 703/358–2287.

Title: Federal Subsistence Hunt Application and Permit and Designated Hunter Permit Application and Permit.

OMB Approval Number: 1018–0075.

Service Form Number(s): 7–FW 1 and 7–FW 2 7–FW 3.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) allows the taking of fish and wildlife on public lands in Alaska for subsistence use. In order to take fish and wildlife in public lands for subsistence uses, users must possess and comply with the provisions of any pertinent permit, harvest tickets, or tags required by the State, or Federal permits, harvest tickets or tags as required by the Federal Subsistence Board (Board). All Alaskans who are residents of rural areas or communities are eligible to participate in subsistence taking of that stock or population under the regulations in 50 CFR 100.

Information on the fisherman, qualified subsistence users fished for, the fish/shellfish harvested, and the location of harvest is needed by the Board in making recommendations on subsistence use. Once harvest success information is evaluated, the Federal Subsistence Board utilizes this information, along with other information, to set future seasons and harvest limits for Federal subsistence resource users. These seasons and harvest limits are set in order to meet the needs of subsistence hunters without adversely impacting the health of existing wildlife populations. The Federal Subsistence Hunt Application and Permit also provides a mechanism to allow Federal subsistence users the opportunity to participate in special hunts that are not available to the general public but are provided for by Title VIII of ANILCA. Both reports provide for the collection of the necessary information; however, the Designated Hunter Report is unique in that it allows the reporting of the harvest of multiple animals by a single hunter who is acting for others. The Designated Hunter Application and Permit also serves as a special permit allowing qualified subsistence users to harvest fish or wildlife for others. The collection of information is needed prior to the expiration of time periods established under 5 CFR 1320, and is essential to the missions of the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Federal Subsistence Board. Without this information public harm would occur as a result of the Service’s inability to set subsistence seasons and harvest limits to meet users’ needs without adversely impacting the health and the animal population.

Frequency: On occasion.

Title: Federal Subsistence Fish/Shellfish Harvest/Designated Harvester Application.

OMB Approval Number: Service Form Number(s): 7–FW 3.

Abstract: Under the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) allows the taking of fish and wildlife on public lands in Alaska for subsistence use. In order to take fish and wildlife in public lands for subsistence uses, users must possess and comply with the provisions of any pertinent permit, harvest tickets, or tags required by the State, or Federal permits, harvest tickets or tags as required by the Federal Subsistence Board (Board). All Alaskans who are residents of rural areas or communities are eligible to participate in subsistence taking of that stock or population under the regulations in 50 CFR 100.

Information on the fisherman, qualified subsistence users fished for, the fish/shellfish harvested, and the location of harvest is needed by the Board in making recommendations on subsistence use. Once harvest success information is evaluated, the Federal Subsistence Board utilizes this information, along with other information, to set future seasons and harvest limits for Federal subsistence resource users. These seasons and harvest limits are set in order to meet the needs of subsistence fishermen without adversely impacting the health of existing fish/shellfish populations. The Federal Subsistence Hunt Application and Permit also provides a mechanism to allow Federal subsistence users the opportunity to participate in special fishing opportunities that are not available to the general public but are provided for by Title VIII of ANILCA.

Description of Respondents: Individuals and households.

Estimated Completion Time: The reporting burden is estimated to be .25 hours or 15 minutes each.

Annual Responses: 5,200 (Federal Subsistence Hunt Application and Permit); 700 (Designated Hunter Permit Application and Report); 1,000 (Federal Subsistence Fish/Shellfish Harvest/Designated Harvester Application).

Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,725 hours.
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Advisory Board for Exceptional Children

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C., App. 2, the Bureau of Indian Affairs announces a meeting of the Advisory Board for Exceptional Children in Bloomington, Minnesota, to discuss the impact of Public Law 105–17, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997, on Indian children with disabilities.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, June 9, 2000 beginning 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 10, 2000 beginning 9:00 a.m. and ending at 12:00 noon CST.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the DAYS INN, 1901 Killebrew Drive, Bloomington, Minnesota 55425.

Telephone (612) 854–8400; Fax (612) 854–3615.

Written statements may be submitted to Mr. William A. Mehoojah, Director, Office of Indian Education Programs, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street, NW, MS–3512, Washington, D.C. 20240; Telephone (202) 208–6123; Fax (202) 208–3312.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Angelita Felix, Lead Education Specialist, Division of School Program Support and Improvement, (505) 346–7529.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Board is to provide advice to the Secretary of the Interior, through the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, on the needs of Indian children with disabilities, as mandated by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Amendments of 1997, Public Law 105–17, June 4, 1997.

The agenda for this meeting will cover funding allocations, newly established Division of School Program Support and Improvement, Office of Special Education Program Monitoring Report, Draft Improvement Plan, Parental Forums and the BIA’s draft Eligibility document.

The meeting will be open to the public without advanced registration. Public attendance may be limited to the space available. Members of the public may make statements during the meeting, to the extent time permits, and file written statements with the Board for its consideration. Written statements should be submitted to the address listed in the ADDRESSES section.

Summaries of Board meeting may be requested from the Division of School Program Support and Improvement.

The Board will prepare and submit an annual report to the Secretary of the Interior and the Congress containing a description of the activities of the Board for the preceding year.

The next Board meeting will be held on or about December 14, 2000. Regional Parents Forum will be scheduled throughout the year. Location, date and time may be obtained from the Division of School Program Support and Improvement, telephone (505) 248–7529 or 7527; Fax (505) 248–7546.

Kevin Gover,
Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of amendment to approved Tribal-State compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988,Pub. L. 100–497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the Federal Register, notice of approved Tribal-State Compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved Amendment IV to the Tribal–State Compact for Regulation of Class III Gaming Between the Burns—Paiute Tribe and the State of Oregon, which was executed on March 31, 2000.

DATES: This action is effective May 31, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219–4066.

Kevin Gover,
Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

Bureau of Indian Affairs
Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of amendment to approved Tribal-State compact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988, Pub. L. 100–497, 25 U.S.C. § 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish, in the Federal Register, notice of approved Tribal-State Compact for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, through his delegated authority, has approved Amendment IV to the Tribal–State Compact for Regulation of Class III Gaming Between the Burns—Paiute Tribe and the State of Oregon, which was executed on March 31, 2000.

DATES: This action is effective May 31, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George T. Skibine, Director, Office of Indian Gaming Management, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219–4066.

Kevin Gover,
Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.