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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
[Docket No. FR–4849–N–05]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Requested; Record of Employee Interview  
AGENCY: Office of Departmental Operations and Coordination, Office of Labor Relations, HUD.  
ACTION: Notice.  
SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended). This Notice is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.  
DATES: Comments Due Dates: June 30, 2003.  
ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, L'Enfant Plaza Building, Room 800a, Washington, DC 20410 or Wayne_Eddins@HUD.gov.  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jade Banks, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of Labor Relations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410 or jade–M.–Banks@hud.gov; telephone (202) 708–0370 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.  
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended). This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) 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; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.  
This Notice also lists the following information:  
Title of Proposal: Record of Employee Interview.  
OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2501–0009.  
Description of the need for the information and proposed use: HUD and local agencies administering HUD-assisted programs collect information from laborers and mechanics employed on HUD projects to ensure that wages paid to these workers meets Federal labor standards requirements applicable to their work. HUD and local agencies must retain this information to document the compliance of employers and the sufficiency of local agency enforcement efforts. HUD proposes to modify this form in order to clarify certain 2 information and to collect more specific information from the employees. The additional information will better enable contract monitors ensure that the laborers and mechanics receive the wages to which they are entitled and will assist in enforcement actions, if necessary. The collection of the additional information will not significantly increase the burden on, and will serve to better protect respondents.  
Agency form numbers, if applicable: HUD–11.  
Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:

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Status of the proposed information collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.  
Frank L. Davis, Director, Departmental Operations and Coordination.  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Fish and Wildlife Service  
Availability of Comprehensive Conservation Plan for Waubay National Wildlife Refuge Complex, Waubay, SD  
AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.  
ACTION: Notice of availability.  
SUMMARY: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announces that a Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Summary for Waubay National Wildlife Refuge and Wetland Management District Complex (Complex) is available.  
This Plan describes how the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service intends to manage the Complex for the next 15 years.  
ADDRESSES: A copy of the Plan or Summary may be obtained by writing to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Waubay National Wildlife Refuge Complex, 44401 134A Street, Waubay, SD 57273; or download from https://mountain-prairie.fws.gov/planning.  
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Martin, Project Leader, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Waubay National Wildlife Refuge Complex, 44401 134A Street, Waubay, SD 57273. Phone 605–947–4521; fax 605–947–4524; or e-mail: larry_d.martin@fws.gov.  
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Background

Waubay National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), comprised of 4,650 acres, is located in Day County in northeastern South Dakota. The Refuge’s mix of lakes, wetlands, prairie, forests, and cropland is home to a diversity of wildlife. More than 100 bird species nest on this small piece of habitat, with 37 mammals also calling it home. Waubay NWR was established by President Roosevelt in 1935 as “a refuge and breeding ground for migratory birds and other wildlife.”

Waubay Wetland Management District (WMD) protects over 230,000 acres of wetlands and prairie in six counties of northeastern South Dakota. The area’s mix of native grass, planted grasses, cropland, and wetlands support a variety of wildlife. The WMD is home to 247 species of birds, 43 species of mammals, and over 20 species of amphibians and reptiles. Breeding waterfowl and grassland-dependent passerines are two groups that are especially prominent.

The availability of the Draft CCP/Environmental Assessment (EA) for 30-day public review and comment was announced in the Federal Register on Wednesday, May 29, 2002 in Volume 67, Number 103. The Draft CCP/EA identified and evaluated three alternatives for managing Waubay National Wildlife Refuge Complex for the next 15 years. Alternative A, the No Action Alternative, would continue current management of the Refuge and Wetland Management District (WMD). Alternative B, the Tallgrass Prairie Alternative, would focus on protecting and restoring tallgrass prairie in the Minnesota-Red River Lowlands of the WMD. Alternative C, Enhanced Management, the preferred alternative, would increase management of Complex habitats and public use opportunities.

On August 31, 2001, we received a petition dated August 14, 2001 submitted by the Center for Biological Diversity and VernalPools.org.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; 90-day Finding for a Petition To List the Midvalley Fairy Shrimp as Endangered

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of 90-day petition finding and initiation of status review.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce a 90-day finding for a petition to list the midvalley fairy shrimp (Branchinecta mesovallensis) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. We find the petition presents substantial information to indicate that listing may be warranted. We are therefore initiating a status review of the species, and will issue a 12-month finding to determine if the petitioned action is warranted. To help ensure the review is comprehensive, we are soliciting information and data regarding this species.

DATES: The finding announced in this document was made on April 18, 2003. To be considered in the 12-month finding on this petition, comments and information should be submitted to us by June 30, 2003.

ADDRESS: The complete file for this finding is available for inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours, at the Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825–1846. Submit new information, materials, comments, or questions concerning this species to the Service at the above address.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Glen Tarr, at the address given above (telephone 916/414–6652; facsimile 916/414–6713; electronic mail: Glen.Tarr@fws.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The midvalley fairy shrimp is a small (7 to 20 millimeter (mm) (0.28 to 0.79 inch (in)) freshwater crustacean that lives in vernal pools, vernal swales and other ephemeral water bodies near the middle of California’s Central Valley (Helm 1998; Eriksen and Belk 1999; Belk and Fugate 2000). It is known from 52 occurrences in seven California counties: Sacramento, Solano, Contra Costa, San Joaquin, Merced, Madera and Fresno (California Natural Diversity Data Base (CNDDB) 2002). Midvalley fairy shrimp populations survive the seasonal desiccation of their pools by laying dormant eggs called cysts, which can withstand extreme temperatures, the digestive tracts of animals and, if necessary, years of dessication before hatching. Since not all cysts hatch with any given refilling of their pool, the cysts form a “bank” in the soil from which new populations of adults may develop, even in pools that have not had adults for years (Eriksen and Belk 1999).

The habitat requirements and life history characteristics of the midvalley fairy shrimp are similar to those of four other shrimp species that we listed in 1994: the Conservancy fairy shrimp (Branchinecta conservatio), the longhorn fairy shrimp (B. longiantenna), vernal pool fairy shrimp (B. lynchi), and vernal