Citizenship and Immigration Services
Agency Information Collection Activities; Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request


The Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) has submitted the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection was previously published in the Federal Register on March 9, 2006, at 71 FR 12212, allowing for a 60-day public comment period. USCIS did not receive any comments for this information collection.

The purpose of this notice is to allow an additional 30 days for public comments. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until June 15, 2006. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

Written comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Director, Regulatory Management Division, Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd floor, Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202–272–8352 or via e-mail at rfs.regs@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by e-mail please make sure to add OMB Control Number 1615–0048 in the subject box. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies should address one or more of the following four points:

(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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Application for Premium Processing Service.


(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Business or other for profit.

The data collected on this form will be used by USCIS to process the petitioner’s/applicant’s request for premium processing. The form serves the purpose of standardizing requests for premium processing, and will ensure that basic information required to assess eligibility is provided by petitioners/applicants.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: Filed by mail: 77,000 responses at 30 minutes (.50) per response; Filed electronically: 3,000 responses at 20 minutes (.333) per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 39,500 burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please visit the USCIS Web site at: http://uscis.gov/graphics/formsfee/forms/pra/index.htm.

If additional information is required contact: USCIS, Regulatory Management Division, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20529, (202) 272–8377.


Richard A. Sloan,
Director, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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Background

On February 16, 2006, in anticipation of possible removal (delisting) of the bald eagle in the 48 contiguous States from the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (the Service) published a Notice of Availability of draft National Bald Eagle Management Guidelines (71 FR 8309). The Service concurrently proposed two other related actions: (1) a proposed regulatory definition of “disturb” under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BG EPA) (71 FR 8265, February 16, 2006); and (2) a re-opening of the comment period on our proposal to remove the bald eagle from the list of threatened and endangered species under the ESA (71 FR 8238, February 16, 2006). Due to the complexity of these related actions, we are extending the comment period for each action for an additional 30 days.

Marshall P. Jones, Jr.,
Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management

Amendment to the List of Affected States Under the Energy Policy Act of 1992

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of removal of Kentucky from the List of Affected States.

SUMMARY: The Energy Policy Act of 1992 (the Act) (Pub. L. 102-118, § 411, 105 Stat. 691) requires the Secretary of the Interior administering a Federal program to regulate coalbed methane development in states where coalbed methane development has been impeded by disputes or uncertainty over ownership of coalbed methane gas. As required by the Act, the Department of the Interior, with the participation of the Department of Energy, developed a List of Affected States to which this program would apply (58 FR 21589, April 22, 1993).

Section 1339 of the Act provides three mechanisms by which a state may be removed from the List of Affected States. The List of Affected States is currently comprised of the States of Kentucky and Tennessee. Section 387 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-58) provides a three-year period for state action to seek removal from the List of Affected States, including action taken prior to enactment of that Act (August 8, 2005). In 2004, the Kentucky General Assembly passed and the Governor signed a coalbed methane law, codified as Chapter 349 of Kentucky Revised Statutes. The law created a state authority and procedures to facilitate coalbed methane development. It further explicitly sought, in subsection 349.005(4)(e), deletion of Kentucky from the List of Affected States.

We find that this Kentucky statute fulfills two of the Act’s Section 1339 removal standards: (a) A law requesting removal and (b) a law permitting and encouraging the development of coalbed methane. Therefore, the State of Kentucky is officially removed from the List of Affected States.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Timothy R. Spisak, Group Manager, Fluid Minerals Group, Bureau of Land Management, 1845 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 506, Washington, DC 20240 or telephone (202) 245–5061; or Charles S. Byrer, U.S. Department of Energy, 3610 Collins Ferry Road, Morgantown, West Virginia 26507, or telephone (304) 285–4547.

Dated: April 7, 2006.
Thomas Lonnie,
Assistant Director, Minerals, Realty, and Resource Protection.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
[UTU 014955 and UTU Management 015233]

Public Land Order No. 7663; Partial Revocation of Public Land Order No. 1579; UT

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Public Land Order.

SUMMARY: This order partially revokes a Public Land Order insofar as it affects approximately 3,613 acres of public lands within national forests, which were withdrawn for Forest Service recreation areas and administrative sites.

DATES: Effective Date: May 16, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service has determined that a withdrawal is no longer needed on the lands described in this order, and has requested the partial revocation. The lands will not be opened to surface entry or mining until completion of an analysis to determine if any of the lands need special designation.

Order

By virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of the Interior by Section 204 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, 43 U.S.C. 1714 (2000), it is ordered as follows:

Public Land Order No. 1579 (23 FR 798, February 6, 1958), which withdrew public lands within national forests for Forest Service, Department of Agriculture administrative sites and recreational areas, is hereby revoked only insofar as it affects the following described lands:

(a) Uinta National Forest

Salt Lake Meridian

Aspen Grove Recreation Area

T. 5 S., R. 3 E.
Sec. 4, all of the S½ of lot 7 north of the centerline of State Highway 92, SE¼, SE¼, SW¼, and SW¼, SE¼; Sec. 9, W¼, NW¼, NE¼, SE¼, NW¼, NE¼, and NE¼.

Big Tree Forest Camp No. 1 Recreation Area

T. 4 S., R. 3 E.
Sec. 33, 5½W¼, SE¼, N¼, SE¼, and N¼, SE¼.
Sec. 34, W¼, NW¼, SW¼.

Granite Flat Recreation Area

T. 4 S., R. 2 E.
Sec. 1, SE¼; Sec. 12, E½, SE¼; T. 4 S., R. 3 E.
Sec. 7, N¼, NW¼, NE¼, SW¼, NE¼, NW¼, SE¼, SW¼, NW¼, SE¼, NW¼, SE¼, and E¼, NE¼, NW¼, SE¼, SW¼, NW¼, SE¼, and W¼, NE¼, SW¼.

Holman Flat Forest Camp Recreation Area

T. 4 S., R. 3 E.
Sec. 5, lots 6, 7, and 9 and W¼, SE¼, NW¼.

Little Valley Recreation Area

T. 10 S., R. 5 W.
Sec. 14, NW¼; Sec. 15, NE¼.

Mutual Dell Recreation Area

T. 4 S., R. 3 E.
Sec. 29, SW¼, NW¼, and SW¼, NW¼; Sec. 30, all of NE¼, North of the centerline of State Route 92, NW¼, NE¼, and N¼, SE¼.

Silver Lake Flat Recreation Area

T. 3 S., R. 2 E.
Sec. 36, SE¼, NE¼, and E¼; T. 4 S., R. 2 E.
Sec. 1, lots 1 and 8.
T. 3 S., R. 3 E.