SUMMARY: We (Fish and Wildlife Service) have sent an Information Collection Request (ICR) to OMB for review and approval. The ICR, which is summarized below, describes the nature of the collection and the estimated burden and cost. This ICR is scheduled to expire on August 31, 2006. We may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. However, under OMB regulations, we may continue to conduct or sponsor this information collection while it is pending at OMB.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before August 23, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments and suggestions on this ICR to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at OMB–OIRA at (202) 395-6566 (fax) or OIRA_DOCKET@OMB.eop.gov (e-mail). Please provide a copy of your comments to Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222–ARLSQ, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (mail); (703) 358–2269 (fax); or hope_grey@fws.gov (e-mail).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Hope Grey at one of the addresses above or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Control Number: 1018–0075.

Title: Federal Subsistence Regulations and Associated Forms, 50 CFR 100.

Service Form Number(s): FWS Forms 3–2326, 3–2327, and 3–2328.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Federally defined rural residents.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

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Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: $16,816.80.

Abstract: The Alaska Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) and Service regulations at 50 CFR part 100 require that persons engaged in taking fish and wildlife on public lands in Alaska apply for and obtain a permit to do so and comply with reporting provisions of that permit. We use three forms to collect information from qualified rural residents for subsistence harvest: FWS Form 3–2326 (Federal Subsistence Hunt Application, Permit, and Report), FWS Form 3–2327 (Designated Hunter Permit Application, Permit, and Report), and FWS Form 3–2328 (Federal Subsistence Fishing Application, Permit, and Report). We use the information collected to evaluate subsistence harvest success; the effectiveness of season lengths, harvest quotas, and harvest restrictions; hunting patterns and practices; and hunter use. The Federal Subsistence Board uses the harvest data, along with other information, to set future seasons and bag limits for Federal subsistence resource users. These seasons and bag limits are set to meet needs of subsistence hunters without adversely impacting the health of existing animal populations.

We also collect information from persons wishing to appeal Federal Subsistence Board decisions. Our regulations at 50 CFR 100.20 set forth procedures for appeals, including the documentation that must be submitted. The required documentation will ensure that we have all of the information necessary to adequately reconsider the decision.

Comments: On March 2, 2006, we published in the Federal Register (71 FR 10698) a notice of our intent to request that OMB renew approval for this information collection. In that notice, we solicited public comments for 60 days, ending on May 1, 2006. We received one comment. The commenter did not address the necessity, clarity, or accuracy of the information collection, but instead provided general comments on the low levels of law enforcement and the humane treatment of fish and wildlife. We did not make any changes to our information collection based on this comment.

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. Comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record.

Dated: June 27, 2006.

Hope Grey,
Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Fish and Wildlife Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

Proposed Information Collection: OMB Control Number 1018–0007; Annual Certification of Hunting and Sport Fishing Licenses Issued, 50 CFR 80.10f

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (Fish and Wildlife Service) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to renew approval for the information collection request (ICR) described below. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the
general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this information collection.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before September 22, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the ICR to Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222, ARLSQ, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (mail); hope.grey@fws.gov (email); or (703) 358-2269 (fax).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Hope Grey at one of the addresses above or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669–669i) and the Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777–777k) provide Federal assistance to the States for management and restoration of fish and wildlife. These Acts and our regulations at 50 CFR 80.10 require that States and territories annually certify their hunting and fishing license sales. States and territories that receive grants under these Acts use FWS Forms 3–154A (Part I—Certification) and 3–155B (Part II—Summary of Hunting and Sport Fishing Licenses Issues) to certify the number and amount of hunting and fishing license sales. We use the information collected to determine apportionment and distribution of funds according to the formula specified in each Act.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1018–0007.

Title: Annual Certification of Hunting and Sport Fishing Licenses Issued, 50 CFR 80.10.

Service Form Number(s): 3–154A and 3–155B.

Type of Request: Revision of currently approved collection.

Affected Public: States and territories (Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, District of Columbia, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, Virgin Islands, and American Samoa).

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 56.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Estimated Number of Responses: 112 (one per respondent for each form).

Estimated Time Per Response: Average of 12 hours for FWS Form 3–154A and 20 hours for FWS Form 3–155B.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,792.

III. Request for Comments

We 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.

Comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include and/or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to renew approval for this information collection.

Dated: July 5, 2006.

Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: We invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species.

DATES: Comments on these permit applications must be received on or before August 23, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written data or comments should be submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Chief, Endangered Species, Ecological Services, 911 NE. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232–4181 (telephone: 503–231–2063; fax: 503–231–6243). Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments received, including names and addresses, will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Belluomini, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Portland address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following applicants have applied for scientific research permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (“we”) solicits review and comment from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public on the following permit requests.

Permit No. TE–126866

Applicant: California Department of Parks and Recreation, Gustine, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, handle, and attach radio transmitters) the riparian brush rabbit (Sylvilagus bachmani riparius) and take (capture, handle, and release) the riparian woodrat (Neotoma fuscipes riparia) in conjunction with ecological research in San Joaquin County, California, for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE–022630

Applicant: U.S. Geological Survey, Henderson, Nevada

The permittee requests an amendment to remove/reduce to possession the Nitrophila mohavensis (Amargosa nitwort) in conjunction with scientific study in Nye County, Nevada, and Inyo County, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. TE–809232

Applicant: BioWest, Inc., Logan Utah

The permittee requests an amendment to take (capture, mark, tag, and release) the bonytail chub (Gila elegans) and increase the geographic area in which to take (capture, mark, tag, measure, fin clip, and release or collect) the razorback sucker (Xyrauchen texanus) along the Lower Colorado River in conjunction with scientific research for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE–106759

Applicant: Lauronda Cooper, Cupertino, California

The permittee requests an amendment to take (capture, mark, and release) the Stephens’ kangaroo rat (Dipodomys stephensi) and the Tipton kangaroo rat (Dipodomys nitratoides nitratoides) in conjunction with surveys throughout the species range in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. TE–122026

Applicant: Tracy Bailey, Ridgecrest, California

The applicant requests a permit to take (capture, mark, and release) the