Department of Interior

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of receipt of applications; request for public comments

APPENDIX:

Applications have been received from the following applicants for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). The Act requires that we invite public comment on these permit applications. While you can ask us in your comment whether certain information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Permit TE–233201

Applicant: Amistad National Recreation Area, Del Rio, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for interior least tern (Sterna antillarum) within Texas.

Permit TE–227505

Applicant: Thomas D. Bonn, Lockhart, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for golden-cheeked warbler (Dendroica chrysoparia) and black-capped vireo (Vireo atricapilla) within Texas.

Permit TE–841353

Applicant: Loomis Partners, Inc., Austin, Texas.

Applicant requests an amendment to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for northern aplomado falcon (Falco femoralis septentrionalis) within Texas.

Permit TE–045236

Applicant: SWCA Inc., Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Applicant requests an amendment to a current permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for Virgin River chub (Gila seminuda) and woundfin (Plagopterus argentissimus) within Arizona.

Permit TE–232639

Applicant: Dixie Environmental Services Co., LP, Magnolia, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for red-cockaded woodpecker (Picoides borealis) and white bladderpod (Lesquerella pallid) within Texas.

Permit TE–227505

Applicant: Kathleen O'Connor, Georgetown, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys for northern aplomado falcon (Falco femoralis septentrionalis) within Texas.
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Office of Justice Programs; Bureau of Justice Assistance
[OMB Number 1121–0220]
Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comments Requested


The Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, will be submitting the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This proposed information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for “sixty days” until March 15, 2010. If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions or additional information, please contact M. Berry at 1–886–859–2687, Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice, 810 7th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20531 or by e-mail at M.A.Berry@ojp.usdoj.gov.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

—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;
—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;
—Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
—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 currently approved collection.

(2) The title of the form/collection: Public Safety Officers’ Educational Assistance

(3) The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection: None. Bureau of Justice Assistance, Office of Justice Programs, United States Department of Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Dependent spouses and/or children of public safety officers who were killed or permanently and totally disabled in the line of duty.

Abstract: BJA’s Public Safety Officers’ Benefits (PSOB) Office will use the PSOEA application information to confirm the eligibility of applicants to receive PSOEA benefits. Eligibility is dependent on several factors, including the applicant having received or being eligible to receive a portion of the PSOB death benefit, or having a family member who received the PSOB disability benefit. Also considered are the applicant’s age and the schools being attended. In addition, information to help BJA identify an individual is collected, such as Social Security number and contact numbers and e-mail addresses. The changes to the application form have been made in an effort to streamline the application process and eliminate requests for information that is either irrelevant or already being collected by other means.

Other: None.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time needed for an average respondent to respond is as follows: It is estimated that no more than 100 new respondents will apply a year. Each application takes approximately 20 minutes to complete.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection is 33 hours. Total Annual Reporting Burden: 100 × 20 minutes per application = 2,000 minutes per hour = 33 hours.

If additional information is required, please contact, Clearance Officer,