DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service
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Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce a public meeting of the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council (Council).

DATES: Meeting: Wednesday June 13, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Thursday June 14, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (Mountain daylight time).

For deadlines and directions on registering to attend, submitting written material, and giving an oral presentation, please see “Public Input” under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Room B–20 at the U.S. Forest Service Southwestern Regional Office, 333 Broadway SE., Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joshua Winchell, Council Coordinator, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mailstop 3103–AEA, Arlington, VA 22203; telephone (703) 358–2639; fax (703) 358–2548; or email joshua_winchell@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., we announce that Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council will hold a meeting.

Background

Formed in February 2010, the Council provides advice about wildlife and habitat conservation endeavors that:

1. Benefit recreational hunting;
2. Benefit wildlife resources; and
3. Encourage partnership among the public, the sporting conservation community, the shooting and hunting sports industry, wildlife conservation organizations, the States, Native American tribes, and the Federal Government.

The Council advises the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, reporting through the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), in consultation with the Director, Bureau of Land Management (BLM); Chief, Forest Service (USFS); Chief, Natural Resources Service (NRCS); and Administrator, Farm Services Agency (FSA). The Council’s duties are strictly advisory and consist of, but are not limited to, providing recommendations for:

1. Implementing the Recreational Hunting and Wildlife Resource Conservation Plan—A Ten-Year Plan for Implementation;
2. Increasing public awareness of and support for the Sport Wildlife Trust Fund;
3. Fostering wildlife and habitat conservation and ethics in hunting and shooting sports recreation;
4. Stimulating sportsmen and women’s participation in conservation and management of wildlife and habitat resources through outreach and education;
5. Fostering communication and coordination among State, Tribal, and Federal Government; industry; hunting and shooting sportsmen and women; wildlife and habitat conservation and management organizations; and the public;
6. Providing appropriate access to Federal lands for recreational shooting and hunting;
7. Providing recommendation to improve implementation of Federal conservation programs that benefit wildlife, hunting, and outdoor recreation on private lands; and
8. When requested by the agencies' designated ex officio members or the Designated Federal Officer in consultation with the Council Chairman, performing a variety of assessments or reviews of policies, programs, and efforts through the Council’s designated subcommittees or workgroups.

Background information on the Council is available at http://www.fws.gov/whhcc.

Meeting Agenda

The Council will convene to consider:

2. Fire management and recovery;
3. Programs of the Department of the Interior and Department of Agriculture, and their bureaus, that enhance hunting opportunities and support wildlife conservation;
4. America’s Great Outdoors; and
5. Other Council business.

The final agenda will be posted on the Internet at http://www.fws.gov/whhcc.

PUBLIC INPUT

If you wish to— You must contact the Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) no later than—

Attend the meeting ..... June 5, 2012.
Submit written information or questions before the meeting for the council to consider during the meeting. June 5, 2012.
Give an oral presentation during the meeting. June 5, 2012.

Attendance

Because entry to Federal buildings is restricted, all visitors are required to preregister to be admitted. In order to attend this meeting, you must register by close of business on the dates listed in “Public Input” under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address, and phone number to the Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Submitting Written Information or Questions

Interested members of the public may submit relevant information or questions for the Council to consider during the public meeting. Written statements must be received by the date above, so that the information may be made available to the Council for their consideration prior to this meeting. Written statements must be supplied to the Council Coordinator in both of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file formats are Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or rich text file).

Giving an Oral Presentation

Individuals or groups requesting to make an oral presentation at the meeting will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 30 minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact the Council Coordinator, in writing (preferably via email; see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT), to be placed on the public speaker list for this meeting. Nonregistered public speakers will not be considered during the meeting. Registered speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, or those who had wished to speak but
could not be accommodated on the agenda, may submit written statements to the Council Coordinator up to 30 days subsequent to the meeting.

Meeting Minutes

Summary minutes of the conference will be maintained by the Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) and will be available for public inspection within 90 days of the meeting and will be posted on the Council’s Web site at http://www.fws.gov/wilhcc.

Gregory E. Seikaniec, [Acting] Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Revision of Agency Information Collection for the American Indian and Alaska Native Population and Labor Force Report

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs is seeking comments on the survey instrument for the collection of information for the American Indian and Alaska Native Population and Labor Force Report. The survey instrument that is currently authorized by Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number 1076–0147 expires August 31, 2012.

DATES: Submit comments on or before July 30, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collection to Steven Payson, U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240; email: Steven.Payson@bia.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Payson, 202–513–7745.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs is seeking comments on a survey instrument to collect information for the American Indian Population and Labor Force Report, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992, as amended, requires the Secretary to develop, maintain and publish, not less than biennially, a report on the population by gender, age, availability for work, and employment. The survey instrument is being revised to include updated instructions and additional questions that are consistent with the definitions of standard measures of population and employment, as defined in the Federal Statistical System, to represent an accurate report. The proposed revisions will be published in a subsequent Federal Register notice.

II. Request for Comments

The BIA requests your comments on this collection concerning: (a) The necessity of this information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Ways we could enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents.

Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the ADDRESSES section. Before including your address, phone number, email address or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 1076–0147. Title: Department of the Interior, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, American Indian Population and Labor Force Report.

Brief Description of Collection: Public Law 102–477, the Indian Employment, Training, and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992, as amended, mandates the Secretary to publish, not less than biennially, a report on the American Indian and Alaska Native population eligible for services by gender, age, availability for work, and employment. Additional survey questions will be included to obtain more accurate and comprehensive information about the American Indian Population and Labor Force. Instructions for the existing questions will be revised to acquire information that is consistent with the definitions of standard measures of population and employment as defined in the Federal Statistical System. Response to this information collection is voluntary.

Type of Review: Revision of currently approved collection.

Respondents: American Indian Tribes and Alaska Natives.

Frequency of Response: Biennially.

Estimated Time per Response: 16 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 4,680 hours (9,360 hours biennially).

Dated: May 21, 2012.

Alvin Foster,

Assistant Director for Information Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

Notice of Availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the SunZia Southwest 500 kV Transmission Line Project in New Mexico and Arizona, and Prospective Draft Land Use Plan Amendments

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (NEPA), and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended (FLPMA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Draft Resource Management Plan (Draft RMP) Amendment and a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) for the SunZia Southwest Transmission Line Project and by this notice is announcing the opening of the comment period.

DATES: To ensure that comments will be considered, the BLM must receive written comments on the Draft RMP Amendment and Draft EIS within 90 days following the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in the Federal Register. The BLM will announce future meetings or hearings and any other public involvement activities at least 15 days in advance through public notices, media releases, and/or mailings.