understand how governments manage their extractive sectors. The U.S. Open Government National Action Plan commits the U.S. to publish the first United States EITI report in 2015 and to achieve EITI compliance in 2016. An Independent Administrator produces the annual reports, which include parallel public disclosures by both the government and companies, of the payments that companies have made to the government on their oil, gas, and mining development. In order to produce the USEITI annual reports, the Independent Administrator will collect revenue information from extractive companies who meet payment thresholds. The requested information will include the amounts of royalties, rentals, and other payments related to mineral development that companies have made to the Federal Government. The Independent Administrator will not collect items of a sensitive nature such as proprietary data. Personally Identifiable Information, etc. EITI is a voluntary initiative, and companies are not required to provide the requested information.

OMB Approval

We will request OMB approval to collect this information. If the Secretary does not collect this information, the United States will not become an EITI Compliant Country, limiting the Secretary’s ability to provide more transparency in how the country’s natural resources are governed, including better transparency on our country’s revenue collection process. Frequency: Annually.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: 76 extractive companies who meet annual revenue payment thresholds.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping “Hour” Burden for the 76 extractive companies who meet annual revenue payment thresholds: 5,776 hours.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping “Non-hour” Cost Burden: We have not identified a “non-hour” cost burden associated with the collection of information.

We have not included in our estimates certain requirements performed in the normal course of business, considered as usual and customary.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.) provides that an agency 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.

Comments: Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA Section 3506(c)(2)(A) requires each agency to “* * * provide 60-day notice in the Federal Register * * * and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information * * *.” Agencies must specifically solicit comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The PRA also requires agencies to estimate the total annual reporting “non-hour cost” burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. If you have costs to generate, maintain, and disclose this information, you should comment and provide your total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. You should describe the methods that you use to estimate (1) major cost factors, including system and technology acquisition, (2) expected useful life of capital equipment, (3) discount rate(s), and (4) the period over which you incur costs. Capital and startup costs include, among other items, computers and software that you purchase to prepare collecting information and monitoring, sampling, and testing equipment, and record storage facilities. Generally, your estimates should not include equipment or services purchased: (i) Before October 1, 1995; (ii) to comply with requirements not associated with the information collection; (iii) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the Federal Government; or (iv) as part of customary and usual business, or private practices.

We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our ICR submission for OMB approval, including appropriate adjustments to the estimated burden. We will provide a copy of the ICR to you, without charge, upon request. We also will post the ICR at http://www.onrr.gov/Laws_R_D/FRNotices/FRInfColl.htm. Public Comment Policy: ONRR will post all comments, including names and addresses of respondents at http://www.regulations.gov. Before including Personally Identifiable Information (PII), such as your address, phone number, email address, or other personal information in your comments, you should be aware that your entire comment (including PII) may be made available to the public at any time. While you may ask us, in your comment, to withhold PII from public view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Kristen Sarri,
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy, Management and Budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS–R2–ES–2014–N217; FXES11113020000-156–FF02EN6H00]

Draft Environmental Assessment and Draft Habitat Conservation Plan; Anderson Tract; Proposed Development of 60.7 Acres in Bexar County, Texas

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: Under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on an incidental take permit application for take of the federally listed golden-cheeked warbler, including a draft Habitat Conservation Plan and draft Environmental Assessment; the take would result from clearing and construction of a residential development on the 60.7-acre Anderson Tract in Bexar County, Texas.

DATES: Comments: We will accept comments received or postmarked on or before February 17, 2015. Any comments that we receive after the closing date may not be considered in the final decisions on these actions.

ADDRESSES: You may obtain copies of all documents and submit comments on the applicant’s incidental take permit application by one of the following methods. Please refer to the permit number (TE–29216B) when requesting documents or submitting comments.

• U.S. Mail: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Endangered Species—HCP Permits, P.O. Box 1306, Room 6034, Albuquerque, NM 87103.
• Electronically: fw2_hcp_permits@fws.gov.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), we advise the public that:

We have gathered the information necessary to determine impacts and formulate alternatives for the draft Environmental Assessment (dEA) related to potential issuance of an incidental take permit (ITP) to the Applicant. The Applicant has developed a draft Habitat Conservation Plan (dHCP) as part of the application for an ITP, which describes the measures the Applicant has agreed to take to minimize and mitigate the effects of incidental take of the golden-cheeked warbler (Setophaga chrysoptera; GCWA) to the maximum extent practicable pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.; Act).

Anaqua Springs Ranch, Inc. (Applicant), has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an ITP (TE–29216B) under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Act. The proposed take would occur on the 60.7-acre Anderson Tract (Permit Area) in Bexar County, Texas, as a result of activities associated with the Applicant’s proposed clearing and construction of a residential development (Covered Activities). Such actions will require clearing of GCWA habitat.

The dEA considers the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of implementation of the dHCP, including the measures that will be implemented to minimize and mitigate, to the maximum extent practicable, the impacts of the incidental take of the covered species.

Public Availability of Comments

Written comments we receive become part of the public record associated with this action. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying 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 request in your comment that we withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so. We will not consider anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses, will be made available for public disclosure in their entirety.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22 and 17.32) and NEPA and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Joy E. Nicholopoulos,
Acting Regional Director, Southwest Region,
Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Geological Survey

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.


SUMMARY: We (the U.S. Geological Survey) are notifying the public that we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the information collection request (ICR) described below. To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) 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 ICR.

DATES: To ensure that your comments on this ICR are considered, we must receive them on or before January 20, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Please submit written comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, via email: (OIRA_SUBMISSION@omb.eop.gov); or by fax (202) 395–5806; and identify your submission with ‘OMB Control Number 1028—NEW The National Map Corps’. Please also forward a copy of your comments and suggestions on this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance...