DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Agencies: Federal Labor Standards Questionnaire Complaint Intake Form

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Federal Labor Standards Questionnaire Complaint Intake Form

AGENCY: Office of Labor Standards and Enforcement, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

1. 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. The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed 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 those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.


DATES: Comments Due Date: November 7, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Anna P. Guido, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone 202–402–5534 (this is not a toll-free number) or email Anna.P.Guido@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anna P. Guido, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410–5000; email Anna P. Guido at Anna.P.Guido@hud.gov or telephone 202–402–3400. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Guido.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Federal Labor Standards Questionnaire Complaint Intake Form


Type of Request: Revision.

Form Number: HUD FORMS 5730, HUD 4730E; HUD 430SP; HUD 4731.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use: Expired OMB dates.

Number of Respondents: 2,000.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Responses per Annun: 250.

Burden Hour per Respondent: .5.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,250.

Hourly Cost per Response: 10.00.

Annual Cost: $12,500.00.

We are requesting comments on the permit application, the draft Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP), and the preliminary determination that the proposed HCP qualifies as a “low-effect” HCP, eligible for a categorical exclusion under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended. The basis for this determination is discussed in the environmental action statement (EAS) and associated low-effect screening form, which are also available for public review.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be received or postmarked on or before October 11, 2016. Any comments that we receive after the closing date may not be considered.

ADDRESSES: Availability of Documents: The draft EAS, low-effect screening form, and draft Scenic Arizona Perez Home Development Low-Effect Habitat Conservation Plan are available by the following methods:

- Internet: Documents are available on the Internet at the Service’s Web site, at http://www.fws.gov/southwest/es/arizona/.
We are requesting comments on the proposed HCP. 

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

• U.S. Mail: A limited number of CD-ROM and printed copies of both documents are available, by request, from Mr. Steve Spangle, Field Supervisor, Arizona Ecological Services Field Office, 9828 North 31st Ave. #C3, Phoenix, AZ 85051–2517; telephone: 602–242–0210; fax: 602–242–2513.
• In-Person: Copies of all documents are also available for public inspection and review at the following locations, by written request and appointment only, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.:
  • U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 500 Gold Avenue SW., Room 6034, Albuquerque, NM 87102.

Comment submission: We request that you send comments only by one of the methods described below. Comments submitted by any other means may not be considered. Please note that your request is in reference to the Scenic Arizona Perez Home Development Low-Effect Habitat Conservation Plan HCP.

• Electronically: Send comments to fw2_hcp_permits@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Wooldridge, Arizona Ecological Services Field Office—Flagstaff Office, 2500 S. Pine Knoll Dr., Flagstaff, AZ 86001; telephone (928–556–2106, extension 236); or by email (brian.wooldridge@fws.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have received an application from Alex Perez (applicant) for a 5-year incidental take permit for one covered species pursuant to section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq., Act). The application addresses the potential “take” of the threatened Mojave Desert tortoise in the course of activities associated with single-family home development activities on 10 acres of private land in the town of Scenic, Mohave County, Arizona. Measures to avoid and minimize impacts resulting from project activities would be implemented as described in the proposed HCP by the applicant.

We are accepting comments on the permit application and on the preliminary determination that the proposed HCP qualifies as a “low-effect” HCP, eligible for a categorical exclusion under the NEPA of 1969, as amended. The basis for this determination is discussed in the EAS and associated low-effect screening form, which are also available for public review.

Background

The applicant is seeking a 5-year permit under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Act. If we approve the permit, the applicant anticipates the take of Mojave Desert tortoises (Gopherus agassizii) as a result of impacts to habitat the species uses for breeding, feeding, and sheltering. The take would be incidental to the applicant’s activities associated with constructing the Scenic Arizona Perez Home Development.

Mr. Alex Perez purchased the 10 acres in Scenic, Arizona, and subdivided them into eight parcels to be developed with single-family homes. On each parcel, home-development activities would include clearing, building pads for homes and associated garages, and constructing homes and garages.

To minimize take of Mojave Desert tortoises by the project and offset impacts to its habitat, tortoises within the proposed impact areas will be relocated to land managed by the Bureau of Land Management approximately 2 miles southwest of the project site prior to initiation of development activities. It is anticipated that relocated tortoises will continue to contribute to the long-term conservation and survival of the species.

In addition, it is possible that only half of each parcel will be developed, leaving intact suitable tortoise habitat within the project area after project completion. Because tortoises are currently occupying burrows within similar habitat on nearby developed parcels, it is possible that tortoises will continue to use the undeveloped suitable habitat remaining on the project site after project completion.

Our Preliminary Determination

We have made a preliminary determination that the incidental take permit for this project is “low effect” and qualifies for categorical exclusion under the NEPA, as provided by 43 CFR 46.205, 43 CFR 46.210 and 516 Department Manual 8.5(C)(2).

We base our determination that the proposed HCP qualifies as a low-effect plan on the following three criteria:

1. Implementation of the HCP would result in minor or negligible effects on other environmental values or resources; and
2. Impacts of the HCP, considered together with the impacts of other past, present, and reasonably foreseeable similarly situated projects, would not result, over time, in cumulative effects to other environmental values or resources that would be considered significant.

Based upon this preliminary determination, we do not intend to prepare further NEPA documentation. We will consider public comments in making the final determination on whether to prepare such additional documentation.

Next Steps

We will evaluate the proposed HCP and comments we receive to determine whether the permit application meets the requirements and issuance criteria under section 10(a) of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). We will also evaluate whether issuing a section 10(a)(1)(B) incidental take permit would comply with section 7 of the Act by conducting an intra-Service consultation. We will use the results of this consultation, in combination with the above findings, in our final analysis to determine whether or not to issue a permit. If the requirements and issuance criteria under section 10(a) are met, we will issue the permit to the applicant for incidental take of Mojave Desert tortoise.

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 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.)
and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22) and the NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Joy E. Nicholopoulous,
Acting Regional Director, Southwest Region.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
U.S. Geological Survey

[54x63]DATES:

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Geospatial Advisory Committee (NGAC) will meet on September 27–28, 2016 at the National Conservation Training Center, 698 Conservation Way, Shepherdstown, WV 25443. The meeting will be held in Room #201 Instructional East. The NGAC, which is composed of representatives from governmental, private sector, non-profit, and academic organizations, was established to advise the Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) on management of Federal geospatial programs, the development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), and the implementation of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A–16. Topics to be addressed at the meeting include:

—Leadership Dialogue
—FGDC Update
—NSDI Strategic Planning
—Transition Planning
—Emerging Technologies
—Policy Framework
—Standards Coordination
—Landsat

The meeting will include an opportunity for public comment during the morning of September 28. Comments may also be submitted to the NGAC in writing. Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting must register in advance for clearance into the meeting site. Please register by contacting Lucia Foulkes at the Federal Geographic Data Committee (703–648–4142, lfoulkes@usgs.gov). Registrations are due by September 20. While the meeting will be open to the public, registration is required for entrance to the facility, and seating may be limited due to room capacity.

DATES: The meeting will be held on September 27 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and on September 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.


DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
National Park Service

[132x540]Proposed Information Collection; National Capital Region Application for Public Gathering

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (National Park Service, NPS) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) 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 IC. This IC is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2017. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

DATES: To ensure that we are able to consider your comments on this IC, we must receive them by November 7, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the IC to Madonna L. Baucum, Information Collection Clearance Officer, National Park Service, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive (MS–242), Reston, VA 20192 (mail); or madonna_baucum@nps.gov (email). Please include “1024–0021” in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this IC, contact Robbin Owen, National Capital Region, National Park Service, 900 Ohio Drive SW., Washington, DC 20024 (mail) or at 202–245–4715 (telephone); or Marisa Richardson via email at Marisa_Richardson@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Division of Permits Management of the National Mall and Memorial Parks issues permits for public gatherings (special events and demonstrations) held on NPS property within the National Capital Region. Regulations at 36 CFR 7.96(g) govern permits for public gatherings and implement statutory mandates to provide for resource protection and public enjoyment. These regulations reflect the special demands on many of the urban National Capital Region parks as sites for demonstrations and special events. A special event is any presentation, program, or display that is recreational, entertaining, or celebratory in nature; e.g., sports events, pageants, celebrations, historical reenactments, regattas, exhibitions, parades, fairs, festivals and similar events. The term “demonstration” includes demonstrations, picketing, speechmaking, marching, holding vigils or religious services and all other like forms of conduct that involve the communication or expression of views or grievances.

Those who want to hold a special event or demonstration must complete NPS Form 10–941, “Application for a Permit to Conduct a Demonstration or Special Event in Park Areas” (which also includes a “Waiver of Numerical Limitations on Demonstrations for White House Sidewalk and/or Lafayette Park”). NPS Form 10–941 collects information on:

• Sponsor (name, address, telephone and fax numbers, email address, Web site address)
• Type of permit requested.
• Logistics (dates/times, location, purpose, plans, and equipment for proposed activity).
• Potential civil disobedience and traffic control issues.
• Circumstances that may warrant park rangers being assigned to the event.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1024–0021.

Title: National Capital Region Application for Public Gathering, 36 CFR 7.96(g).

Service Form Number(s): NPS Form 10–941, “Application for a Permit to Conduct a Demonstration or Special Event in Park Areas”.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Description of Respondents:

Individuals, organizations, businesses, and State, local, or tribal governments.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain a benefit.