teaching, research and operations) and what tone they impart (especially, how purely philosophical or action-oriented are they).

The impact of articulated environmental policy on institutional behavior will be weighed in two ways. The institutions themselves will be asked to explain and document the impacts across the full range of university activities. In parallel, EPA data will be used to look at environmental compliance at schools both with and without written policy to see whether there is any inferential relationship. Response to the study will be voluntary, and results will be reported in statistical fashion rather than with reference to any particular school. The analytical information and conclusions resulting from this study will be useful to academic institutions as they consider their role and responsibility toward society with respect to the natural environment, and to EPA in its policy deliberations regarding its relationship with higher education as an important element of society.

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. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR part 9 and 48 CFR Chapter 15.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) 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;

(ii) 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;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) 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.

Burden statement: Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

There are two elements to this proposed study: a written survey questionnaire and a follow-up interview for a selected sub-set of those responding to the questionnaire. Using the burden definition above, it is estimated that the total hour burden for an institution to respond to the written survey questionnaire will be between five (5) and fifteen (15) hours depending on the size and organization of the respondent institution. The hour burden for an institution to participate in a follow-up interview is estimated not to exceed two (2) hours. It is not expected that any institution will incur any capital or recurring costs to participate in the study. Therefore, the dollar cost burden of participation will be directly related to the hour burden and the wage or salary rate of the individuals who handle the response at each institution.

Dated: January 8, 2001.

Lauris Davies,

Director, Office of Enforcement and Compliance, Region 10.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER–FRL–6614–8]

Environmental Impact Statements and Regulations; Availability of EPA Comments

Availability of EPA comments prepared pursuant to the Environmental Review Process (ERP), under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act and Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act as amended. Requests for copies of EPA comments can be directed to the Office of Federal Activities at (202) 564–7167. An explanation of the ratings assigned to draft environmental impact statements (EISs) was published in FR dated April 14, 2000 (65 FR 20157).

Draft EISs

ERP No. D–AFS–L65367–AK Rating EC2, Chugach National Forest, Proposed Revised Land and Resource Management Plan, Implementation, Glacier, Seward and Cordora Ranger Districts, Kenai Peninsula Borough, AK.

Summary: EPA expressed environmental concerns with the lack of clarity in the direction and protections in the proposed Standards and Guidelines and the lack of detail in the proposed monitoring and evaluation plan. EPA recommended that the FEIS be revised clarifying how the new plan would conform with the new planning rule, clarify and strengthen the standards and guidelines, revise and refine the monitoring plan, and provide information to support conclusions of the predicted effects.

Final EISs

ERP No. F–AFS–L65327–WA Stimson Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) Access Easement Project, Easement Authorization Grant for Construction, Reconstruction and Use of Seven Road Segments for Hauling Logs and Resource Management, Colville National Forest, Sullivan Ranger District, Pend Oreille County, WA.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F–AFS–L65353–ID Lakeface-Lamb Fuel Reduction Project, To Reduce the Risk of Lethal Fires within a Wildland/Urban Interface, Implementation, Idaho Panhandle National Forests, Priest Lake Ranger District, Bonner County, ID.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F–AFS–L65365–ID Swan Flat Timber Sale, Proposal to Cut and Haul Sawtimber, Caribou National Forest, Land Resource Management Plan (LRMP), Montpelier Ranger District, Bear Lake County, ID.

Summary: No formal comment letter was sent to the preparing agency.

ERP No. F–BLM–K67040–CA Imperial Project, Open-Pit Precious Metal Mining Operation Utilizing Heap Leach Processes, Updated Information concerning ''Endangered, Rare or Threatened'' Biological Resources, Plan of Operations and Reclamation Plan Approvals, Right-of-Way Grants, Conditional Use/U.S. COE Permits, El Centro Resource Area, Desert District.

Summary: EPA commended BLM on its consideration of the unique characteristics of the project area within the California Desert Conservation Area, and the proposed project's potential irreparable degradation of sacred and historic values of the Indian Pass-Running Man Area of Traditional Cultural Concern, in identifying its preference for the No Action Alternative.

ERP No. F–COE–H36110–NB Western Sarpy/Clear Creek Flood Reduction Study Including Environmental Restoration Component, Lower Platte River and Tributaries, Saunders and Sarpy Counties, NB.

Summary: EPA expressed its continuing objections to this levee project, as proposed, citing two significant environmental issues: (1) Project need and alternatives; and (2) economic analysis.

ERP No. F–SFW–K99029–CA San Joaquin County Multi-Species Habitat Conservation and Open Space Plan, Issuance of Incidental Take Permit, San Joaquin County, CA.

Summary: EPA expressed continued concern with the proposed SJMSCP's compliance with EPA's CWA Section 404(b)(1) guidelines. The Record of Decision (ROD) should state that CWA Section 404 coverage is not provided by the SJMSCP, describe Section 404(b)(1) requirements, and describe the measures that will be taken to ensure full compensation for temporal, spacial, and functional losses of open-space and multi-species habitat. EPA requested early notification and participation in the project's Regional General 404 Permit process.

ERP No. FS–FHW–A42026–NB US Highway 75 Roadway Improvement, Murray, Nebraska (Highway N–1) to Bellevue, Nebraska (Fairview Road), Updated Information concerning Project Changes and Changes to the Existing Environmental Setting, Funding, Cass and Sarpy Counties, NB.

Summary: EPA expressed no objections to the project as proposed.

Dated: January 16, 2001.

Joseph C. Montgomery,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[ER–FRL–6614–7]

Environmental Impact Statements; Notice of Availability

Responsible Agency:

Office of Federal Activities, General Information (202) 564–7167 or *www.epa.gov/oeca/ofa*

Weekly receipt of Environmental Impact Statements

Filed January 8, 2001 Through January 12, 2001

Pursuant to 40 CFR 1506.9.

EIS No. 010008, Final EIS, AFS, ID, East Beaver and Miner's Creek Timber Sales and Prescribed Burning Project, Implementation, Caribou-Targhee National Forest, Dubois Ranger District, Clark County, ID, Due: February 20, 2001, Contact: John Councilman (208) 558–7301.

EIS No. 010009, Final EIS, AFS, WY, Squirrel Meadows—Grand Targhee Land Exchange Proposal, Implementation, Targhee National Forest, Teton County, WY, Due: February 20, 2001, Contact: Patty Bates (208) 354–2312.

EIS No. 010010, Final EIS, FHW, LA, North-South Expressway Const. I–220 in Shreveport, LA to the Arkansas State Line, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit Issuance, Caddo Parish, LA, Due: February 20, 2001, Contact: William C. Farr (225) 757–7615.

EIS No. 010011, Final EIS, FHW, NY, Miller Highway Project (P.I.N. 103.27), Relocation of Miller Highway between West 59th Street to West 72nd Streets, on the Upper West Side of Manhattan, Funding and COE Section 404 Permit, New York County, NY, Due: February 20, 2001, Contact: Harold Brown (518) 431–4127.

EIS No. 010012, Final EIS, FHW, NV, AZ, US 93 Hoover Dam Bypass Project, Construction of a New Bridge and Highway, Funding, Right-of-Way Easement, U.S. Coast Guard, NPDES and COE Section 404 Permits, Federal Lands—Lake Mead National Recreation Area and Hoover Dam Reservation, Clark County, NV and Mohave County, AZ, Due: February 20, 2001, Contact: Dave Zanetell (303) 716–2167.

EIS No. 010013, Draft EIS, AFS, AK, Threemile Timber Sale, Implementation, Petersburg Ranger District, Tongass National Forest, AK, Due: March 12, 2001, Contact: Everett Kissinger (907) 772–5860.

EIS No. 010014, Draft EIS, AFS, AK, Gravina Island Timber Sale, Implementation, Timber Harvest and Related Activities, Ketchikan-Misty Fiords Ranger District, Tongass National Forest, AK, Due: March 5, 2001, Contact: Susan Marthaller (907) 225–2148.

EIS No. 010015, Draft EIS, BLM, CO, NM, Programmatic EIS—Southern Ute Indian Reservation Oil and Gas Development, Implementation, San Juan Basin, LaPlata, Archuleta, Montezuma Counties, CO and Rio Arriba and San Juan Counties, NM, Due: March 20, 2001, Contact: Don Englishman (970) 385–1346.

EIS No. 010016, Final EIS, AFS, OR, Triangle Land Exchange Project, Between Clearwater Land Exchange Oregon (Clearwater) an Oregon Partnership, Implementation, Malheur, Umatilla and Wallowa-Whitman National Forests, Baker, Grant, Harney and Wallowa Counties, OR, Due: February 20, 2001, Contact: John Day (541) 575–3000.

EIS No. 010017, Final EIS, NPS, CA, NV, Legislative EIS—Timbisha Shoshone Tribal Homeland, To Establish a Permanent Tribal Land Base and Related Cooperative Activities, The Transfer of Federal Land and Acquisition of Private Land, Death Valley National Park, Saline Valley, CA and Lida Ranch near Lida, NV, Due: February 20, 2001, Contact: Joan DeGraff (760) 255–8830.

EIS No. 010018, Draft EIS, FHW, OK, I–40 Crosstown Expressway Transportation Improvements, From I–235/I–35 Interchange West to Meridan Avenue, Funding, Oklahoma City, OK, Due: March 15, 2001, Contact: Lubin Quinones (405) 605–6011.

Dated: January 16, 2001.

Joseph C. Montgomery,

Director, NEPA Compliance Division, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP–42077A; FRL–6747–2]

Delaware State Plan for Certification of Applicators of Restricted Use Pesticides; Notice of Approval

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of approval.

SUMMARY: In the **Federal Register** of May 26, 2000 (65 FR 34178) (FRL–6488–6), EPA issued a notice of intent to approve an amended Delaware Plan for the certification of applicators of restricted use pesticides. In this notice EPA solicited comments from the public on the proposed action to approve the amended Delaware Plan. The amended Certification Plan Delaware submitted to EPA contained several statutory, regulatory, and programmatic changes to its current Certification Plan. The proposed amendments establish new requirements for the certification and recertification of pesticide applicators, requires training for registration of non-certified employees, adopts EPA's requirements for direct supervision, adds new commercial subcategories, and establishes the payment of fees for commercial applicators, issuance of business licenses, and dealer permits.