

ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN TABLE

Type of respondent	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden (in hours) per response	Total burden hours
Individuals or Households	2,500	1	1	2,500
Organizations	2,500	1	1	2,500
Businesses	2,500	1	1	2,500
State, territory, tribal or local governments	1,000	1	1	1,000

Dated: July 23, 2015.

Lawrence A. Tabak,
Deputy Director, National Institutes of Health.
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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Agency Information Collection Activities: Post-Award Contract Information

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, DHS.

ACTION: 30-Day Notice and request for comments; Extension without change, 1600-0003.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, will submit the following Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DHS previously published this information collection request (ICR) in the **Federal Register** on Thursday, May 14, 2015 at 80 FR 27695 for a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received by DHS. The purpose of this notice is to allow additional 30-days for public comments.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until August 31, 2015. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.1.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to OMB Desk Officer, Department of Homeland Security and sent via electronic mail to *oira_submission@omb.eop.gov* or faxed to (202) 395-5806.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) collects information, when necessary, in administering public

contracts for supplies and services. The information is used to determine compliance with contract terms placed in the contract as authorized by the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act (41 U.S.C. 251 *et seq.*), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) (48 CFR Chapter 1), and the Homeland Security Acquisition Regulation (HSAR) (48 CFR Chapter 30). Examples of information DHS contracting officers normally collect when administering contracts include notices of changes in key personnel, invoices, subcontracting reports, and evidence of compliance with hazardous removal requirements. Examples of collections under the HSAR include: 3052.204-71 Contractor employee access, 3052.205-70 Advertisements, Publicizing Awards, and Releases, 3052.209-72 Organizational Conflict of Interest, 3052.209-75 Prohibited Financial Interests for Lead System Integrators, 3052.215-70 Key personnel or facilities, 3052.219-70 Small Business subcontracting plan reporting, 3052.223-70 Removal or disposal of hazardous substances—applicable licenses and permits.

The information requested is used by the Government’s contracting officers and other acquisition personnel, including technical and legal staff, for various reasons such as determining the suitability of contractor personnel accessing DHS facilities; to ensure no organizational conflicts of interest exist during the performance of contracts; to ensure the contractor maintains applicable licenses and permits for the removal and disposal of hazardous materials; and to otherwise ensure firms are performing in the Government’s best interest. Failure to collect this information would adversely affect the quality of products and services DHS receives from contractors. For example, potentially, contractors who are lead system integrators could acquire direct financial interests in major systems the contractors are contracted to procure, which would compromise the integrity of acquisitions for the Department. In addition, contractors who own, control or operate a business providing

protective guard services could possess felony convictions during the performance of contracts, putting the Department at risk. Furthermore, contractors could change key personnel during the performance of contracts and use less experienced or less qualified personnel to reduce costs, which would adversely affect DHS’s fulfillment of its mission requirements.

Many sources of the requested information use automated word processing systems, databases, spreadsheets, project management and other commercial software to facilitate preparation of material to be submitted. With Government wide implementation of e-Government initiatives, it is commonplace within many of DHS’s Components for submissions to be electronic.

Disclosure/non-disclosure of information is handled in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, other disclosure statutes, and Federal and agency acquisition regulations.

Based upon definitive contract award data reported by DHS and its Components to the Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS) for Fiscal Year 2014. No program changes occurred, however the burden was adjusted to reflect an increase in the number of respondents within DHS for Fiscal Year 2014.

The prior information collection request for OMB No. 1600-0003 was approved through August 31, 2015 by OMB. This collection will be submitted to OMB for review to request an approval to extend the expiration date of the collection. There are no proposed changes to the information being collected, instructions, frequency of the collection or the use of the information being collected.

The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments which:

1. 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;
2. 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;

3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

4. 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 submissions of responses.

Analysis

Agency: Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, DHS.

Title: Agency Information Collection Activities: Post-Award Contract Information.

OMB Number: 1600-0003.

Frequency: On occasion.

Affected Public: Private Sector.

Number of Respondents: 11,885.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 14 hours.

Total Burden Hours: 499,170 hours.

Dated: July 22, 2015.

Carlene C. Ieto,

Executive Director, Enterprise Business Management Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R6-ES-2015-N130;
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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following recovery permit applications to conduct activities intended to enhance the survival of target endangered species.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by August 31, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments or requests for copies or more information by any of the following methods. Alternatively, you may use one of the following methods to request hard copies or a CD-ROM of the documents. Please specify the permit

you are interested in by number (*e.g.*, Permit No. TE-XXXXXX).

• *Email:* permitsR6ES@fws.gov.

Please refer to the respective permit number (*e.g.*, Permit No. TE-XXXXXX) in the subject line of the message.

• *U.S. Mail:* Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486-DFC, Denver, CO 80225.

• *In-Person Drop-off, Viewing, or Pickup:* Call (719) 628-2670 to make an appointment during regular business hours at 134 Union Blvd., Suite 645, Lakewood, CO 80228.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Konishi, Recovery Permits Coordinator, Ecological Services, (719) 628-2670 (phone); permitsR6ES@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits certain activities with endangered and threatened species unless authorized by a Federal permit. Along with our implementing regulations at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for permits and requires that we invite public comment before issuing permits for endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittees to conduct activities with U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes, enhancement of propagation or survival, or interstate commerce (the latter only in the event that it facilitates scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival). Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

Applications Available for Review and Comment

We invite local, State, and Federal agencies and the public to comment on the following applications. Documents and other information the applicants have submitted with their applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552).

Permit Application Number TE07858A

Applicant: Utah State University, Department of Plants, Soils, and Climate, AGRS 339, Logan, UT.

The applicant requests an amendment to their permit that will extend the expiration date. They wish to continue

fruit and seed research for the shrubby reed-mustard (*Schoenocrambe suffrutescens*) in Utah for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

Permit Application Number TE106387

Applicants: USDA Bridger-Teton National Forest, Pinedale, WY.

The applicant requests an amendment to their permit to adjust the take allocation for Kendall Warm Springs dace (*Rhinichthys osculus thermalis*). The request corrects an omission from the original consultation for the purpose of enhancing the species' survival.

National Environmental Policy Act

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), we have made an initial determination that the proposed activities in these permits are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement (516 DM 6 Appendix 1, 1.4C(1)).

Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to these requests will be available for public inspection, by appointment, during normal business hours at the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

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 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.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10 of the Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Michael G. Thabault,

Assistant Regional Director, Mountain-Prairie Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered Species Recovery Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.