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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection for Mineral Activities in the Smith River National Recreation Area

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service announces its intent to seek extension of the approval for the existing information collection required by 36 CFR Part 292, Subpart G, for mineral operations in the Smith River National Recreation Area. The current information collection will expire September 30, 1998.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before August 10, 1998. ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Director, Minerals and Geology Management, mail stop 1126, Forest Service, USDA, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, DC 20090–6090.

The public may inspect comments in the Office of the Director. To facilitate entrance into the building, visitors are encouraged to call ahead (202) 205– 1042.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sam Hotchkiss, Minerals and Geology Management, telephone: (202) 205– 1535.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description of Information Collection

Title: Smith River National Recreation Area.

OMB Number: 0596-0138.

Expiration Date of Approval: September 30, 1998.

Type of Request: Extension of an existing information collection.

Abstract: Forest Service regulations at 36 CFR Part 292, Subpart G, implement Section 8(d) of the Smith River National

Recreation Area Act of 1990 and set forth procedures by which the Forest Service regulates mineral operations on National Forest System lands within the Smith River National Recreation Area. These regulations supplement existing Forest Service regulations and are intended to ensure that mineral operations are conducted in a manner consistent with the purposes for which the Smith River National Recreation Area was established..

Section 292.63(b) requires an operator to provide information to support valid existing rights in addition to plan of operations information requirements at §§ 228.4 and 228.8. Also, as part of a plan of operations for the Smith River National Recreation Area, § 292.63(c) requires the following information: (1) a copy of the authorization or agreement by which operations are to be conducted when the operator and mining claim owner are different; (2) the hazardous and toxic materials and similar chemical substances to be used during mineral operations; (3) the character and composition of mineral wastes that will be used or generated; (4) how these materials and substances will be disposed; (5) the proposed method or strategy for handling the wastes; and (6) how public health and safety will be maintained. Section 292.65(b) requires that operator wishing to exercise outstanding mineral rights submit an operating plan.

Estimate of Burden: 20 hours. *Type of Respondents:* Mineral operators.

Estimate Number of Respondents: 2. Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1

Respondent: 1. Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 40.

Comment Is Invited

The agency invites comments on the following: (a) 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; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of

automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Use of Comment

All comments, including name and address when provided, will become a matter of public record. Comments received in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: June 5, 1998.

Robert Lewis, Jr.,

Acting Associate Chief. [FR Doc. 98–15456 Filed 6–9–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–11–M

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Committee of Scientists Meetings

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service will host two public teleconference calls for the Committee of Scientists to discuss their report and recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chief of the Forest Service. The first teleconference call will be held Wednesday, June 17, 1998, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time) and the second teleconference call will be held on Wednesday, June 24, also from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time). The public is invited to attend; however, individuals must register for one of the teleconference locations in advance by calling the Committee of Scientists message phone (541-750-7057). The public may be provided an opportunity to commit on the Committee of Scientists' deliberations, only at the request of the Committee. **DATES:** The teleconference call will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 1998, and Wednesday, June 24, 1998 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time). Registration for the teleconference calls should be received by June 15. **ADDRESSES:** Written comments on

ADDRESSES: Written comments on improving land and resource management planning may be sent to the Committee of Scientists, P.O. Box 2140, Corvallis, OR 97339. Also, the Committee may be accessed via the Internet at www.cof.orst.edu./org/ scicomm/. The Supplementary Information section of this notice contains the addresses of teleconference call locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For additional information concerning the teleconferences, contact Bob Cunningham, Designated Federal Official to the Committee of Scientists, at telephone: (703) 306–1032 or via the Internet at rcunningn@nsf.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Teleconference call 1 (June 17) will be held at the USDA Forest Service, Franklin Court Building, Suite 5500W, 1099 14th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. and at all Regional Offices of the Forest Service. The regional offices include: Region 1, Northern Region, Federal Building, 200 E. Broadway, Missoula, MT; Region 2, Rocky Mountain Region, 740 Simms Street, Golden, CO; Region 3, Southwestern Region, Federal Building, 517 Gold Avenue, SW., Albuquerque, NM; Region 4, Intermountain Region, Federal Building, 324 25th Street, Ogden, UT; Region 5, Pacific Southwest Region, 630 Sansome Street, San Francisco, CA; Region 6, Pacific Northwest Region, 333 SW 1st Avenue Portland, OR; Region 8, Southern Region, 1720 Peachtree Road NW., Atlanta, GA; Region 9, Eastern Region, 310 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Room 500, Milwaukee, WI; and Region 10, Alaska Region, Federal Office Building, 709 W. 9th Street, Juneau, AK. The Alaska Region office will be open early for the teleconference.

Telconference call 2 (June 24) will be held at the USDA Forest Service Headquarters, 201 14th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. in the McArdle Conference Room and at all Regional Offices listed previsouly in this notice.

The Committee of Scientists is chartered to provide scientific and technical advice to the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chief of the Forest Service on improvements that can be made to the National Forest System land and resource management planning process (62 FR 43691; August 15, 1997). Notice of the names of the appointed Committee members was published December 16, 1997 (62 FR 65795).

Dated: June 5, 1998.

Gloria Manning,

Associate Deputy Chief National Forest Systems.

[FR Doc. 98–15427 Filed 6–9–98; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–11–M

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Committee of State Foresters

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Committee of State Foresters will meet in Washington, D.C., on August 4, 1998, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Committee is comprised of the seven members of the Executive Committee of the National Association of State Foresters. The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to consult with the Secretary of Agriculture regarding the administration and application of various portions of the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978. The Chief of the Forest Service will chair this meeting, which is open to public attendance; however, participation is limited to Forest Service personnel and Committee members. Persons who wish to bring cooperative forestry matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Executive Secretary of the Committee before or after the meeting. DATES: The meeting will be held August 4. 1998.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Williamsburg Room (104–A) of the Jamie L. Whitten Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 12th & Jefferson Drive, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250.

Send written comments to Phil Janik, Executive Secretary, Committee of State Foresters, c/o Forest Service, USDA, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090–6090.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerilyn Levi, Office of the Deputy Chief for State and Private Forestry, (202) 205–1041.

Dated: June 4, 1998. Janice H. McDougle, Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry.

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ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE: June 17, 1998. PLACE: ARRB, 600 E Street, NW, Washington, DC.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: 1. Review and Accept Minutes of Closed Meeting. Review of Assassination Records.
Other Business.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Eileen Sullivan, Press Officer, 600 E Street, NW, Second Floor, Washington, DC 20530. Telephone: (202) 724–0088; Fax: (202) 724–0457.

T. Jeremy Gunn,

General Counsel. [FR Doc. 98–15567 Filed 6–8–98; 11:52 am] BILLING CODE 6118–01–M

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: June 17, 1998; 9:30 a.m. PLACE: Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20547.

CLOSED MEETING: The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating to U.S. Government-funded nonmilitary international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)) In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(2) and (6))

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Brenda Massey at (202) 401–3736.

Dated: June 8, 1998.

David W. Burke,

Chairman. [FR Doc. 98–15599 Filed 6–8–98; 2:07 p.m.] BILLING CODE 8230–01–M

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Export Administration Bureau

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce (DOC) has submitted to the Office of