III. Data

(1) Title: Donor Certification Form. OMB Control Number: 1090–0009
Type of Review: Information Collection: Renewal
Affected Entities: Individuals or households, Businesses, Not-for-profit institutions, Tribal governments.
Estimated annual number of respondents: 555.
Frequency of response: Once per prospective donation.
(2) Annual reporting and recordkeeping burden:
Estimated number of responses annually: 555.
Estimated burden per response: 20 minutes.
Total annual reporting: 185 hours.
(3) Description of the need and use of the information: This information will provide Department staff with the basis for beginning the evaluation as to whether the Department will accept the proposed donation. The authorized employee will receive the donor certification form with the proposed donation. The employee will then review the totality of circumstances surrounding the proposed donation to determine whether the Department can accept the donation and maintain its integrity, impartiality, and public confidence.

IV. Request for Comments

The Department of the Interior invites comments on:
(a) Whether the 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 collection and 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 those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

The comments, with names and addresses, will be available for public viewing. If you wish us to withhold your personal information, you must prominently state at the beginning of your comment what personal information you want us to withhold. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law. Comments received, if any, will be available for public viewing by appointment only. You may schedule such an appointment by contacting the Office of Youth, Partnerships and Service at 1849 C Street NW., MS 3559 MIB, Washington, DC 20240, or telephone (202) 208–4881 to schedule an appointment to view any comments received. A valid picture identification is required for entry into the Department of the Interior.

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 Office of Management and Budget control number.

Olivia Barton Ferriter,
Office of Youth, Partnerships and Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Wildland Fire Executive Council Meeting Schedule

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App., the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Wildland Fire Executive Council (WFEC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meetings will be held on the first and third Friday of each month from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Time as follows: April 6, 2012; April 20, 2012; May 4, 2012; May 18, 2012; June 1, 2012 and June 15, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Time in the McArdle Room (First Floor Conference Room) in the Yates Federal Building, USDA Forest Service Headquarters, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Johnson, Designated Federal Officer, 300 E Mallard Drive, Suite 170, Boise, Idaho 83706; telephone (208) 334–1550; fax (208) 334–1549; or email Roy.Johnson@ios.doi.gov.


The purpose of the WFEC is to provide advice on coordinated national-level wildland fire policy and to provide leadership, direction, and program oversight in support of the Wildland Fire Leadership Council. Questions related to the WFEC should be directed to Roy Johnson (Designated Federal Officer) at Roy.Johnson@ios.doi.gov or (208) 334–1550 or 300 E. Mallard Drive, Suite 170, Boise, Idaho 83706–6648.

Meeting Agenda: The meeting agenda will include: (1) Welcome and introduction of Council members; (2) Overview of prior meeting and action tracking; (3) Members’ round robin to share information and identify key issues to be addressed; (4) Wildland Fire Management Cohesive Strategy; (5) Wildland Fire Issues; (6) Council Members’ review and discussion of sub-committee activities; (7) Future Council activities; (8) Public comments which will be scheduled for 11:30 on each agenda; (9) and closing remarks.

Participation is open to the public.

Public Input: All WFEC meetings are open to the public. Members of the public who wish to participate must notify Shari Eckhoff at Shari.Eckhoff@ios.doi.gov no later than the Friday preceding the meeting. Those who are not committee members and wish to present oral statements or obtain information should contact Shari Eckhoff via email no later than the Friday preceding the meeting. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available,
the time for individual oral comments may be limited.

Questions about the agenda or written comments may be emailed or submitted by U.S. Mail to: Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Office of Wildland Fire, Attention: Shari Eckhoff, 300 E. Mallard Drive, Suite 170, Boise, Idaho 83706–6648. WFEC requests that written comments be received by the Friday preceding the scheduled meeting. Attendance is open to the public, but limited space is available. Persons with a disability requiring special services, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should contact Ms. Eckhoff at (202) 527–0133 at least seven calendar days prior to the meeting.

Dated: March 12, 2012.

Roy Johnson,
Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

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Lee Metcalf National Wildlife Refuge, Stevensville, MT; Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments; announcement of public meeting

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and Environmental Assessment (EA) for Lee Metcalf National Wildlife Refuge, Stevensville, MT, for public review and comment. This Draft CCP/EA describes our proposal for managing the refuge for the next 15 years.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please submit your written comments by April 30, 2012 in person or send them to one of the addresses, including email and fax, listed below. We will also be holding a public meeting, which will be announced in the statewide news media and on the refuge Web site.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments or requests for copies or more information by any of the following methods. You may request a hard copy of the document or view it on the Service’s planning Web site, http://www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/planning/ccp/int/lmc/lmc.html. Email: leemetcalf@fws.gov. Include “Lee Metcalf Draft CCP and EA” in the subject line of the message.

Fax: Attn: Laura King, 406–644–2661.

U.S. Mail: Laura King, National Bison Range, 58355 Bison Range Road, Moiese, MT 59824.

In-Person Drop-off, Viewing, or Pickup: Call (406–777–5552) to make an appointment (necessary for view/pickup only) during regular business hours at the Lee Metcalf National Wildlife Refuge headquarters located at 4567 Wildfowl Lane, Stevensville, MT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laura King, 406–644–2211, extension 210 or email at leemetcalf@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we continue the CCP process for Lee Metcalf National Wildlife Refuge. We started this process through a notice in the Federal Register (74 FR 50235), on September 30, 2009. Lee Metcalf National Wildlife Refuge was established February 4, 1964, and has two purposes:

(1) “[F]or use as an inviolable sanctuary, or for any other management purpose, for migratory birds” (Migratory Bird Conservation Act); and

(2) “for (a) incidental fish and wildlife oriented recreational development, (b) the protection of natural resources, [and] (c) the conservation of endangered species or threatened species” (Refuge Recreation Act).

This refuge is located in Ravalli County, one of the fastest growing counties in the State of Montana, 2 miles north of Stevensville and 25 miles south of Missoula. Although it is one of the nation’s smaller refuges, encompassing 2,800 acres, it is one of the few remaining undeveloped areas in the Bitterroot Valley. The refuge lies along the meandering Bitterroot River and is comprised of wet meadow and gallery and riverfront forest habitats and has created and modified wetlands. Riverfront forest includes early succession tree species such as black cottonwood and sandbar willow that are present near the active channel of the Bitterroot River and next to floodplain drainages. Gallery forest is dominated by cottonwood and ponderosa pine and is present on higher floodplain elevations along natural levees. Over 140,000 visitors come to this refuge annually to view and photograph wildlife, archery deer hunt, walk the refuge trails, or participate in interpretive programs in the indoor and outdoor classrooms. The Refuge provides habitat for raptors, including ospreys, and numerous songbird and waterbird species.

Background

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee) (Refuge Administration Act), as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose for developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year plan for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and our policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP as necessary, at least every 15 years in accordance with the Refuge Administration Act.

Public Outreach

The Service has involved the public, agencies, partners, and legislators throughout the planning process. At the beginning of the planning process, the Service initiated public involvement through a Federal Register notice and news releases in the statewide media. For initial public scoping, the Service held two open-house meetings, on September 29 and October 1, 2009, in Stevensville and Missoula, MT, respectively. These open houses were announced in local media and through the first planning update which was mailed to over 270 individuals and organizations. We have considered and evaluated all of the comments received, with many were incorporated into the various alternatives addressed in the draft CCP and the EA.

CCP Alternatives We Are Considering

During the public scoping process with which we started work on this draft CCP, we, other governmental partners, Tribes, and the public raised several issues. Our draft CCP addresses the issues that were raised. To address these issues, we developed and evaluated the following alternatives, summarized below.