

review and analysis. The annual burden hour estimate for this information collection activity follows:

IHS LRP application	No. of respondents	Responses per respondent	Average burden per response (hours) <sup>1</sup>
Section I .....	350	1	0.25 (15 mins.)
Section II .....	350	1	0.50 (30 mins.)
Section III .....	350	4	0.25 (15 mins.)
Contract .....	350	1	0.334 (20 mins.)
Affidavit .....	350	1	0.167 (10 mins.)
Lender Cert .....	1400 <sup>2</sup>	1	0.25 (15 mins.)

<sup>1</sup> Provided in decimal unit values of an hour and in actual minutes.

<sup>2</sup> Based on average number of repayment loans per application.

**REQUEST FOR COMMENTS:** Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies are invited on one or more of the following points: (a) Whether the information collection activity is necessary for the proper performance of the function 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 to determine the estimate; (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 automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DIRECT COMMENTS TO OMB:** Written comments and suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time, should be directed to the: Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, New Executive Office Building, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: Desk Officer for IHS. To request more information on the proposed information collection activity or to obtain a copy of the data collection plan(s) and/or instrument(s), contact: Mr. Lance Hodahkwon, Sr., M.P.H., IHS Reports Clearance Officer, 12300 Twinbrook Plaza, Suite 450, Rockville, MD 20857; or call non-toll-free number (301) 443-0461; or send via facsimile to (301) 443-1522 or Internet (include your address) to: Lhodahkw@ihs.ssw.dhhs.gov.

**COMMENTS DUE DATE:** Comments regarding this information collection activity are best assured of having their full effect if received on or before October 25, 1996.

Dated: September 9, 1996.  
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Assistant Surgeon General Director.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Endangered and Threatened Species Permit Applications

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications.

**SUMMARY:** The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531, *et seq.*).

Permit No. 795938

**Applicant:** Dana C. Bland, Aptos, California. The applicant requests an amendment of her permit to take the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander (*Ambystoma macrodactylum croceum*) to include toe-clipping adults and juveniles, and collection of voucher specimens in conjunction with distribution and abundance studies in Santa Cruz County, California for the purpose of enhancing the survival of the species.

Permit No. 815529

**Applicant:** Sierra View Landscape, Carmichael, California. The applicant requests a permit to: take (collect, relocate, and release) the Conservancy fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta conservatio*), longhorn fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta longiantenna*), vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*), vernal pool fairy shrimp (*Branchinecta lynchi*) and the valley elderberry longhorn beetle (*Desmocerus californicus dimorphus*); and remove and reduce to possession the Butte County meadowfoam (*Limnanthes floccosa* ssp.

*californica*) and Crampton's tuctoria (*Tuctoria mucronata*) throughout the range of these species in northern California to restore, augment, and create populations and habitat for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 815539

**Applicant:** Michael S. Marangio, San Francisco, California. The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, capture, and release) the Santa Cruz long-toed salamander (*Ambystoma macrodactylum croceum*), and the San Francisco garter snake (*Thamnophis sirtalis tetrataenia*) in conjunction with presence and absence surveys throughout the range of the species in California for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 817399

**Applicant:** Susan V. Christopher, Santa Barbara, California. The applicant requests a permit to take (harass by survey, capture, and release) the arroyo southwestern toad (*Bufo microscaphus californicus*) in conjunction with presence and absence surveys within San Diego, Los Angeles, Riverside, Ventura, Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, Orange, and Kern Counties, California for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 702631

**Applicant:** Assistant Regional Director-Ecological Services, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon. The applicant requests amendment of his permit to include authorization to remove and reduce to possession specimens of the following plant species: *Pritchardia aylmer-robinsonii* (wahane), *Amaranthus brownii* (plant, no common name), *Pritchardia remota* (loulou), and *Schiedea verticillata* (plant, no common name) throughout their range for recovery efforts in order to enhance their propagation and survival.

**DATES:** Written comments on these permit applications must be received on or before October 25, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the Chief, Division of Consultation and Conservation Planning, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when submitting comments. All comments, including names and addresses, received will become part of the official administrative record and may be made available to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice, to the following office: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, Division of Consultation and Conservation Planning, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97232-4181. Telephone: 503-231-2063; FAX: 503-231-6243. Please refer to the respective permit number for each application when requesting copies of documents.

Dated: September 13, 1996.

Thomas Dwyer,  
*Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Portland, Oregon.*

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## Bureau of Land Management

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### Approval of Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces its intention to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to collect certain information from individuals and groups protesting proposed decisions in regional land-use plans, called "resource management plans" or "management framework plan amendments." The BLM will use this information to process and respond to requests for administrative review (protests) of these decisions by affected individuals and groups.

**DATES:** The BLM must receive comments on the proposed information collection by November 25, 1996 to assure its consideration of them.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail comments to: Director (480), Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 1075LS, Washington, DC 20240.

Send comments via Internet to: WoComment@wo0033wp.wo.blm.gov. Please include "ATTN: 1004-PLAN" and your name and return address in your Internet message.

You may hand-deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L Street, NW., Washington, DC.

The BLM will make comments available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.), Monday through Friday.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carole Smith, Resource Planning Team, (202) 452-0367.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 5 CFR 1320.12(a), the BLM is required to provide 60-day notice in the Federal Register concerning a collection of information contained in a published current rule to solicit comments on (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 to 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. The BLM will receive and analyze any comments sent in response to this notice and include them with its request for approval from the OMB under 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

The BLM prepares, amends and revises land-use plans through the authority of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act. Section 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act requires the BLM to prepare land-use plans, which contain decisions authorizing managers to take actions to allocate, eliminate or restrict resource and land uses on public lands. The implementing regulations are found at 43 CFR Subpart 1610. The regulations

were issued on May 5, 1983, 48 FR 20368.

Protests are part of the Department of the Interior's responsibility to adjudicate disputes over public lands, a responsibility it has had since its beginning in March 1849. Individuals and groups protesting proposed decisions contained in land-use plans are required to provide the information identified at 43 CFR Subpart 1610. The BLM requires no special form or format for the information supplied by protestants. The information required from each protestants is (1) name, mailing address, telephone number and interest, (2) a statement of the issue(s) being protested, (3) a statement of the part(s) of the plan or amendment being protested, (4) a copy of all documents addressing the issue supplied during the planning process or information about the date that the issue(s) were discussed and (5) a concise statement explaining why the decision is erroneous.

The BLM uses the information provided by the applicant to review the process used in reaching the proposed decision and determine whether or not procedures were followed and whether or not the decision maker relied on erroneous information in mailing the decision. If the BLM did not collect this information, it could not determine whether or not BLM officials followed correct procedures in preparing land-use plans and in making resource use and allocation decisions.

Based on the BLM's experience administering the activities described above, the public reporting burden for the information collected is estimated to average 2 hours per response. The respondents are individuals and groups that believe that proposed decisions affect or could adversely affect their interests. The frequency of response is occasionally, whenever the BLM issues a resource management plan or plan amendment affecting or potentially affecting their interests. The number of responses per year is estimated to be about 50. The estimated total annual burden on new respondents is about 100 hours. The BLM is specifically requesting your comments on its estimate of the amount of time that it takes to prepare a protest and the steps involved in preparing a protest. The BLM's estimate is 2 hour per protest.

The BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.