

residences and the loss of 20.30 acres of ABM habitat. Alternative 3 would result in a loss of 4.34 acres consisting of the footprint of the residences and access driveways. Project effects are considered in the EA in terms of affected environment, environmental consequences, and cumulative effects to the human and natural environment.

The ABM is one of eight subspecies of the old field mouse restricted to coastal habitats. We estimate that ABM historically occupied approximately 45 km (28 mi) of shoreline and currently occupy approximately 37 kilometers (23 miles) of shoreline.

Prior to the 2004 hurricane season, we believed that ABM utilized approximately 2,697 acres of lands, which includes Gulf State Park and environs, which we have identified as ABM habitat. We have determined that these sites provide suitable habitat for ABM because they provide the following:

1. Cover or shelter;
2. Food, water, air, light, minerals, or other nutritional or physiological requirements;
3. Sites for breeding and rearing offspring.

Under the preferred alternative, project development will result in the loss of 4.34 acres of ABM habitat. Thus, this action will result in the loss of approximately 0.02 percent of the previously mapped total estimated ABM habitat of 2,697 acres.

The EA considers the potential effects of the proposed projects on the ABM. Construction activities associated with site preparation, heavy equipment operations, and site alterations within habitat occupied by ABM may impact individual ABM by crushing or entombing them in their burrows, or by impairing essential breeding, feeding, or sheltering behaviors. The additional residences also increase the risk of competitors and predators of ABM such as house cats and non-native mice.

The EA considers the potential effects of the projects on nesting sea turtles. The green sea turtle has a circumglobal distribution and is found in tropical and sub-tropical waters. The Florida population of this species is federally listed as endangered; elsewhere the species is listed as threatened. Primary nesting beaches in the southeastern United States occur in a six-county area of east-central and southeastern Florida, where nesting activity ranges from approximately 350 to 2,300 nests annually. Our turtle nesting surveys of the Fort Morgan Peninsula, from Laguna Key west to Mobile Point, for the period 1994–2001 have not confirmed any

green turtle nests, though some crawls were suspected in 1999 and 2000.

The loggerhead turtle is listed as a threatened species throughout its range. This species is circumglobal, preferring temperate and tropical waters. In the southeastern United States, 50,000 to 70,000 nests are deposited annually, about 90 percent of which occur in Florida. Most nesting in the Gulf outside of Florida appears to be in the Chandeleur Islands of Louisiana; Ship, Horn and Petit Bois Islands in Mississippi; and the Gulf-fronting sand beaches of Alabama. The Service's nesting surveys of the Fort Morgan Peninsula, from Laguna Key to Mobile Point, for the 2001 report included over 70 loggerhead turtle nests. During the 2002 nesting season, 63 nests were documented along the Alabama coast.

The Kemps ridley sea turtle is an endangered species throughout its range. Adults are found mainly in the Gulf of Mexico. Immature turtles can be found along the Atlantic coast as far north as Massachusetts and Canada. The species' historic range is tropical and temperate seas in the Atlantic Basin and in the Gulf of Mexico. Nesting occurs primarily in Tamaulipas, Mexico, but occasionally also in Texas and other southern states, including an occasional nest in North Carolina. In 1999, a Kemps ridley sea turtle nested on Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge and another along the Gulf Islands National Seashore in Perdido Key, Florida. In 2001, two dead Kemps ridley sea turtle hatchlings were recovered, one on Bon Secour National Wildlife Refuge, and the second in Gulf Shores, Alabama.

Conservation measures, such as sea-turtle friendly lighting, removal of beach furniture from beaches during nesting season, and allowing volunteers to mark and monitor nests on each of the properties have been incorporated into each of the applicant's HCPs. These measures are expected to preclude any take of sea turtles.

Under section 9 of the Act and its implementing regulations, "taking" of endangered and threatened wildlife is prohibited. However, we, under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take such wildlife if the taking is incidental to and not the purpose of otherwise lawful activities. The applicants have prepared HCPs that include measures for the long-term protection, management, and enhancement of ABM habitat as required for the incidental take permit application as part of the proposed project.

We will evaluate whether the proposed issuance of the section 10(a)(1)(B) ITPs complies with section 7

of the Act by conducting an intra-Service section 7 consultation. The results of the biological opinion, in combination with the above findings, will be used in the final analysis to determine whether or not to issue the ITPs.

Dated: January 27, 2005.

Sam D. Hamilton,

Regional Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of information collection.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is seeking comments on the Indian Service Population and Labor Force Estimates as we prepare to renew the collection as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 9, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Your comments and suggestion on the requirements should be made directly to Mr. Harry Rainbolt, Budget Officer, Office of Tribal Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1951 Constitution Avenue, Mail Stop 321–SIB, NW., Washington, DC 20245; Telephone (202) 513–7630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may request further information or obtain copies of the proposed information collection request from Mr. Harry Rainbolt at (202) 513–7630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information is mandated by Congress through Pub. L. 102–477, Indian Employment, Training and Related Services Demonstration Act of 1992, section 17. The Act requires the Secretary to develop, maintain and publish, not less than biennially, a report on the population by gender, income level, age, service area and availability for work. The information is used by Congress, other Federal agencies, State and local governments and private sectors for the purpose of developing programs, planning, and to award financial assistance to American Indians.

II. Request for Comments

The Bureau of Indian Affairs requests your comments on this collection concerning:

(a) The necessity of this information collection 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 (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(c) Ways we could enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or request and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section, room 321-SIB, during the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., e.s.t., Monday through Friday except for legal holidays. If you wish to have your name and/or address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. We will honor your request according to the requirements of the law. All comments from organizations or representatives will be available for review. We may withhold comments from review for other reasons.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 1076-0147.

Type of Review: Renewal.

Title: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Service Population and Labor Force Estimates.

Brief Description of Collection: The Office of Tribal Services contacted 10 of the 562 federally recognized Indian Tribes. The ten tribes contacted ranged in size from small (less than 500 members) to large tribes (more than 20,000 members). The estimated time it took each tribe to respond to the biennial report was between one hour and four days depending on the sophistication of the tribal government. All things considered, it takes each tribe an estimated eight hours to complete the survey.

Number of Respondents: 562.

Estimated Time per Response: 8 hours.

Frequency of Response: Biennially.

Total Annual Burden to Respondents: 5000 hours biennially.

Total Annual Cost to Respondents: N/A.

Dated: March 2, 2005.

Michael D. Olsen,

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria—Sale and Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria's Liquor Control Ordinance. The Ordinance regulates and controls the possession, sale and consumption of liquor within the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria's tribal land. The land is located on trust land and this Ordinance allows for the possession and sale of alcoholic beverages within the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria's tribal land and will increase the ability of the tribal government to control the tribe's liquor distribution and possession, and at the same time will provide an important source of revenue for the continued operation and strengthening of the tribal government and the delivery of tribal services.

DATES: *Effective Date:* This ordinance is effective on March 9, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred Doka, Acting Tribal Operations Officer, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Pacific Regional Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825, Phone (916) 978-6067, fax (916) 978-6099; or Ralph Gonzales, Division of Tribal Justice Support, Office of Tribal Services, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., MS-320-SIB, Washington, DC 20240; Telephone (202) 513-7629.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953, Public Law 83-277, 67 Stat. 586, 18 U.S.C. 1161, as interpreted by the Supreme Court in *Rice v. Rehner*, 463 U.S. 713 (1983), the Secretary of the Interior shall certify and publish in the **Federal Register** notice of adopted liquor ordinances for the purpose of regulating liquor transactions in Indian country. The Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council adopted its Liquor Control Ordinance by Resolution

No. 04-87 on June 30, 2004. The purpose of this Ordinance is to govern the sale, possession and distribution of alcohol within the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria's tribal land.

This notice is published in accordance with the authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.1.

I certify that the Tribal Council duly adopted this Liquor Ordinance No. 04-04, of the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria, on June 20, 2004.

Dated: March 2, 2005.

Michael D. Olsen,

Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

The Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria's Liquor Ordinance No. 04-04 reads as follows:

Resolution No: 04-87

Approved: June 30, 2004

A Resolution by the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council Adopting and Approving the Liquor Regulation and Licensing Ordinance No. 04-04.

Whereas, the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria is a federally recognized Indian tribe eligible for all rights and privileges afforded to recognized Tribes; and,

Whereas, the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council is the governing body of the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria under the authority of the Constitution of the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria; and,

Whereas, the Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria desires to adopt the Liquor Regulation and Licensing Ordinance No. 04-04.

Now Therefore Be it Resolved that the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria hereby adopts and approves Ordinance No. 04-04, "Liquor Regulation and Licensing Ordinance."

Be it Further Resolved that the Chairperson is hereby authorized to sign and Members of the Council to attest all necessary documents to make such requests; and,

Be it Finally Resolved the above signatory powers are in full force and effect until specifically revoked by a duly adopted resolution of the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council.

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This is to certify that the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria Tribal Council on June 30, 2004 by a vote of 4 In Favor, 0 Opposed, 0 Abstaining, and 1 Absent. Attested by:

6/30/04

(Leonard Bowman, Tribal Council Chairperson)
(Date)