

proposed action, specifically within the context of additional information made available since completion of final EIS for this project. This additional information addresses estimates of total quantity of sediment impounded by Ballville Dam, the potential impacts of the proposed alternative on harmful algal blooms (HABs) in the Sandusky River and Lake Erie due to the proposed sediment release, the potential impacts of the proposed alternative on downstream habitats due to sediment release, the accuracy of cost estimates of sediment removal within the EIS, evaluation of a bypass and excavation alternative provided in comments on the FEIS, and the potential for beneficial reuse of sediments impounded by Ballville Dam. Although we concluded that these topics were sufficiently addressed in the FEIS, we provide additional review and assessment in this Draft SEIS to help further clarify the issues. To complete this aspect of the Draft SEIS, we consulted subject matter experts to help review FEIS materials and clearly articulate our understanding of them. The resulting additional information and explanation has been incorporated within this Draft SEIS.

#### EPA's Role in the EIS Process

In addition to this notice of the draft SEIS, EPA is publishing a **Federal Register** notice announcing the draft SEIS, as required under section 309 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401 *et seq.*; CAA). The publication of EPA's notice is the official start of the minimum requirement for a 45-day public comment period for an EIS. The EPA is charged under the CAA to review all Federal agencies' EISs and to comment on the adequacy and the acceptability of the environmental impacts of proposed actions in the EISs. EPA also serves as the repository (EIS database) for EISs prepared by Federal agencies. The EIS database provides information about EISs prepared by Federal agencies, as well as EPA's comments concerning the EISs. All EISs are filed with EPA, which publishes a notice of availability on Fridays in the **Federal Register**. For more information, see <http://www.epa.gov/compliance/nepa/eisdata.html>. You may search for EPA comments on EISs, along with EISs themselves, at <https://cdxnodengn.epa.gov/cdx-enepa-public/action/eis/search>.

#### Public Comments

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously

expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties.

We request data, comments, new information, or suggestions from the public, concerned governmental agencies, the scientific community, tribes, industry, or any other interested party on this notice. We specifically request comments regarding the additional information and analyses presented in the draft SEIS.

You may submit your comments and materials considering this notice by one of the methods listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

#### Public Availability of Comments

All comments and materials we receive in response to this request 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

This notice is being furnished as provided for by NEPA and its implementing Regulations (40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22). The intent of the notice is to obtain suggestions and additional information from other agencies and the public on the draft SEIS. Comments and participation in this process are solicited.

Dated: February 22, 2016.

**Kurt Schilling,**

*Acting Assistant Regional Director, Fisheries, Midwest Region.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

##### U.S. Geological Survey

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#### Agency Information Collection

##### Activities: Request for Comments

**AGENCY:** U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of a renewal of a currently approved information collection (1028-0060).

**SUMMARY:** We (the U.S. Geological Survey) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. This collection consists of 1 form. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC. This collection is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2016.

**DATES:** To ensure that your comments are considered, we must receive them on or before April 26, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703) 648-7197 (fax); or [gs-info\\_collections@usgs.gov](mailto:gs-info_collections@usgs.gov) (email). Please reference 'Information Collection 1028-0060, Mine, Development, and Mineral Exploration Supplement in all correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Shonta E. Osborne, National Minerals Information Center, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Mail Stop 985, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); 703-648-7960 (phone); or [sosborne@usgs.gov](mailto:sosborne@usgs.gov) (email). You may also find information about this ICR at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Respondents to this form supply the USGS with domestic production, exploration, and mine development data for nonfuel mineral commodities. This information will be published as an Annual Report for use by Government agencies, industry, education programs, and the general public.

##### II. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-0060.

*Form Number:* USGS Form 9-4000-A.

*Title:* Mine, Development, and

Mineral Exploration Supplement.

*Type of Request:* Renewal of existing information collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or Other-For-Profit Institutions: U.S. nonfuel minerals producers and exploration operations.

*Respondent's Obligation:* None.

Participation is voluntary.

*Frequency of Collection:* Annually.

*Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses:* 828.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 45 minutes.

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* 621 hours.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden:* There are no "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this IC.

*Public Disclosure Statement:* The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number and current expiration date.

### III. Request for Comments

We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your personal mailing address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personally identifiable information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Michael J. Magyar,**

*Associate Director, National Minerals Information Center, U.S. Geological Survey.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Renewal of Approved Information Collection; Control No. 1004-0058

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

**ACTION:** 30-Day notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted an

information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to continue the collection of information that enables the BLM to monitor compliance with timber export restrictions. The OMB previously approved this information collection activity and assigned it control number 1004-0058.

**DATES:** The OMB is required to respond to this information collection request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration, written comments should be received on or before March 28, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit comments directly to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior (OMB #1004-0058), Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, fax 202-395-5806, or by electronic mail at [OIRA\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov). Please provide a copy of your comments to the BLM. You may do so via mail, fax, or electronic mail.

*Mail:* U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C Street NW., Room 2134LM, Attention: Jean Sonneman, Washington, DC 20240.

*Fax:* to Jean Sonneman at 202-245-0050.

*Electronic mail:* [Jean\\_Sonneman@blm.gov](mailto:Jean_Sonneman@blm.gov).

Please indicate "Attn: 1004-0058" regardless of the form of your comments.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Bechdolt, at 202-912-7234. Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339, to leave a message for Mr. Bechdolt. You may also review the information collection request online at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521) and OMB regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 provide that an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond. In order to obtain and renew an OMB control number, Federal agencies are required to seek public comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d) and 1320.12(a)).

As required at 5 CFR 1320.8(d), the BLM published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** on October 13, 2015 (80 FR 61447), and the comment period ended December 14, 2015. The BLM

received no comments. The BLM now requests comments on the following subjects:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the BLM, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the BLM's estimate of the burden of collecting the information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

Please send comments as directed under **ADDRESSES** and **DATES**. Please refer to OMB control number 1004-0058 in your correspondence. 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.

### The Following Information Pertains to this Request

*Title:* Timber Export Reporting and Substitution Determination (43 CFR part 5420).

*Forms:*

- 5450-17, Export Determination; and
- 5460-17, Substitution Determination.

*OMB Control Number:* 1004-0058.

*Abstract:* This collection of information pertains to compliance of Federal timber purchases with timber export restrictions.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits.

*Description of Respondents:* Purchasers of Federal timber.

*Estimated Number of Responses Annually:* 16.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden Annually:* 16 hours.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden Annually:* None.

**Jean Sonneman,**

*Information Collection Clearance Officer, Bureau of Land Management.*

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