

(mouth of the Smith River, Del Norte County) near the Oregon border south to Agua Hedionda Lagoon (northern San Diego County).

**ADDRESSES:** Printed copies of this recovery plan will be available in 4 to 6 weeks by request from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office, 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura, California 93003 (telephone: 805-644-1766). An electronic copy of the recovery plan is now available on the World Wide Web at <http://pacific.fws.gov/ecoservices/endangered/recovery/plans.html> and <http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chris Dellith, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Ventura address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

Restoring endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and our endangered species program. The ESA (16 U.S.C. 1533(f)) requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Recovery plans help guide the recovery effort by describing actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establishing criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimating time and cost for implementing the measures needed for recovery (16 U.S.C. 1533(f)).

Section 4(f) of the ESA also requires that public notice, and an opportunity for public review and comment, be provided during recovery plan development. The Draft Recovery Plan for the Tidewater Goby was available for public comment from November 18, 2004, through January 18, 2005 (69 FR 67602). Information presented during the public comment period has been considered in the preparation of this final recovery plan, and is summarized in an appendix of the recovery plan. We will forward comments regarding recovery plan implementation to appropriate Federal or other entities so they can take these comments into account in the course of implementing recovery actions.

This recovery plan was developed by the Tidewater Goby Recovery Team. We coordinated with the California Department of Fish and Game and a team of stakeholders, which included landowners and managers, agency

representatives, and non-government organizations.

The tidewater goby was listed as an endangered species on March 7, 1994 (59 FR 5494). The tidewater goby is threatened primarily by modification and loss of habitat as a result of coastal development, channelization of habitat, diversions of water flows, groundwater overdrafting, and alteration of water flows.

This recovery plan describes the status, current management, recovery objectives and criteria, and specific actions needed to provide a framework for the recovery of the tidewater goby so that protection by the ESA is no longer necessary. Actions needed to recover the tidewater goby include: (1) Monitor, protect, and enhance currently occupied tidewater goby habitat; (2) conduct biological research to enhance the ability to integrate land use practices with tidewater goby recovery and revise recovery tasks as pertinent new information becomes available; (3) evaluate and implement translocation where appropriate; and (4) increase public awareness about tidewater gobies.

**Authority:** The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Dated: December 8, 2005.

**Ken McDermond,**

*Acting Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

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**Notice of Public Meeting, Coos Bay Resource Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Bureau of Land Management Coos Bay District Resource Advisory Committee meeting as identified in Section 205(f)(2) of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, Public Law 106-393.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management Coos Bay District Resource Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet on February 16, 2006, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Ellen Warring Learning Center at the Bureau of Land Management's New River Area of Critical Environmental Concern. The Ellen Warring Learning Center is located

at 86342 Croft Lake Lane, Bandon, OR 97411. The purpose of this meeting will be for the election of a Chair person, provide updates on budget and project status, and a field tour. There will be an opportunity for the public to address the Coos Bay District Resource Advisory Committee at approximately 10:30 a.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mark Johnson, Bureau of Land Management Coos Bay District Manager, at (541) 756-0100 or Glenn Harkleroad, District Restoration Coordinator, at (541) 751-4361, or [glenn\\_harkleroad@or.blm.gov](mailto:glenn_harkleroad@or.blm.gov). The mailing address for the Bureau of Land Management Coos Bay District Office is 1300 Airport Lane, North Bend, Oregon 97459.

Dated: January 13, 2006.

**Mark Johnson,**

*Coos Bay District Manager.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Land Management**

[WY-957-05-1420-BJ]

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey, Wyoming.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is scheduled to file the plats of surveys of the lands described below thirty (30) calendar days from the date of this publication in the BLM Wyoming State Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Bureau of Land Management, 5353 Yellowstone Road, P.O. Box 1828, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** These surveys were executed at the request of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and are necessary for the managements of lands. The lands surveyed are:

The plat and field notes representing the dependent resurvey of a portion of the south boundary, subdivisional lines and the adjusted meanders of the right bank of the Wind River, and the subdivision of certain sections, Township 2 North, Range 5 East, Wind River Meridian, Wyoming, was accepted January 17, 2006.

Copies of the preceding described plats and field notes are available to the public at \$1.10 each.

Dated: January 17, 2006.

**John P. Lee,**

*Chief Cadastral Surveyor, Division of Support Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Minerals Management Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of an information collection (1010-0072).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we have submitted to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements in the regulations under 30 CFR part 280, "Prospecting for Minerals other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf," and related documents. This notice also provides the public a second opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of these regulatory requirements.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by February 22, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior via OMB e-mail: ([OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov)); or by fax (202) 395-6566; identify with (1010-0072).

Submit a copy of your comments to the Department of the Interior, MMS, via:

- MMS's Public Connect on-line commenting system, <https://occonnect.mms.gov>. Follow the instructions on the Web site for submitting comments.
- E-mail MMS at [rules.comments@mms.gov](mailto:rules.comments@mms.gov). Use Information Collection Number 1010-0072 in the subject line.
- Fax: 703-787-1093. Identify with Information Collection Number 1010-0072.
- Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Minerals Management Service; Attention: Rules Processing Team (RPT); 381 Elden Street, MS-4024; Herndon, Virginia

20170-4817. Please reference "Information Collection 1010-0072" in your comments.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cheryl Blundon, Rules Processing Team, (703) 787-1600. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulation and forms that require the subject collection of information.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* 30 CFR part 280, Prospecting for Minerals other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf. *OMB Control Number:* 1010-0072.

*Forms:* MMS-134, MMS-135, and MMS-136.

*Abstract:* The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of the OCS. Section 1337(k) of the OCS Lands Act authorizes the Secretary " \* \* \* to grant to the qualified persons offering the highest cash bonuses on a basis of competitive bidding leases of any mineral other than oil, gas, and sulphur in any area of the Outer Continental Shelf not then under lease for such mineral upon such royalty, rental, and other terms and conditions as the Secretary may prescribe at the time of offering the area for lease." An amendment to the OCS Lands Act (Pub. L. 103-426) authorizes the Secretary to negotiate agreements (in lieu of the previously required competitive bidding process) for the use of OCS sand, gravel, and shell resources for certain specified types of public uses. The specified uses will support construction of governmental projects for beach nourishment, shore protection, and wetlands enhancement; or any project authorized by the Federal Government.

Section 1340 states that " \* \* \* any person authorized by the Secretary may conduct geological and geophysical [G&G] explorations in the [O]uter Continental Shelf, which do not interfere with or endanger actual operations under any lease maintained or granted pursuant to this Act, and which are not unduly harmful to aquatic life in such area." The section further requires that permits to conduct such activities may only be issued if it is determined that: The applicant is qualified; the activities are not polluting, hazardous, or unsafe; they do not interfere with other users of the area; and do not disturb a site, structure, or object of historical or archaeological significance.

Section 1352 further requires that certain costs be reimbursed to the

parties submitting required G&G information and data. Under the Act, permittees are to be reimbursed for the costs of reproducing any G&G data required to be submitted. Permittees are to be reimbursed also for the reasonable cost of processing geophysical information required to be submitted when processing is in a form or manner required by the Director and is not used in the normal conduct of the business of the permittee.

Regulations implementing these responsibilities are under 30 CFR part 280. Responses are mandatory or required to obtain or retain a benefit. No questions of a "sensitive" nature are asked. The MMS protects information considered proprietary according to 30 CFR 280.70 and applicable sections of 30 CFR parts 250 and 252, and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2).

MMS OCS Regions collect information required under part 280 to ensure there is no environmental degradation, personal harm or unsafe operations and conditions, damage to historical or archaeological sites, or interference with other uses; to analyze and evaluate preliminary or planned drilling activities; to monitor progress and activities in the OCS; to acquire G&G data and information collected under a Federal permit offshore; and to determine eligibility for reimbursement from the Government for certain costs. Respondents are required to submit form MMS-134 to provide the information necessary to evaluate their qualifications. The information is necessary for MMS to determine if the applicants for permits or filers of notices meet the qualifications specified by the Act. The MMS uses the information collected to understand the G&G characteristics of hard mineral-bearing physiographic regions of the OCS. It aids MMS in obtaining a proper balance among the potentials for environmental damage, the discovery of hard minerals, and adverse impacts on affected coastal States. Information from permittees is necessary to determine the propriety and amount of reimbursement.

*Frequency:* On occasion, annual; and as required in the permit.

*Estimated Number and Description of Respondents:* Approximately 1 permittee, 1 notice filer, and 1 adjacent State.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* The estimated annual "hour" burden for this information collection is a total of 108 hours. The following chart details the individual components and estimated hour burdens. In calculating the