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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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Control Number 1004–0162]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Onshore Geophysical Exploration

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

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection;  
request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the  
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the  
Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is  
proposing to renew an information  
collection with revisions.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to  
submit comments on or before  
September 6, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments on  
this information collection request (ICR)  
to the Office of Management and  
Budget's Desk Officer for the  
Department of the Interior by email at  
[OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov); or via  
facsimile to (202) 395–5806. Please  
provide a copy of your comments to the  
BLM at U.S. Department of the Interior,  
Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C  
Street NW, Room 2134LM, Washington,  
DC 20240, Attention: Jean Sonneman; or  
by email to [jesonnem@blm.gov](mailto:jesonnem@blm.gov). Please  
reference OMB Control Number 1004–  
0162 in the subject line of your  
comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To  
request additional information about  
this ICR, contact Jennifer Spencer by  
email at [j35spenc@blm.gov](mailto:j35spenc@blm.gov), or by  
telephone at 202–912–7146. You may  
also view the ICR at [http://  
www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In  
accordance with the Paperwork  
Reduction Act of 1995, the BLM  
provides the general public and other  
Federal agencies with an opportunity to  
comment on new, proposed, revised,  
and continuing collections of  
information. This helps us assess the  
impact of our information collection  
requirements and minimize the public's  
reporting burden. It also helps the  
public understand our information

collection requirements and provide the  
requested data in the desired format.

A **Federal Register** notice with a 60-  
day public comment period soliciting  
comments on this collection of  
information was published on March 2,  
2018 (83 FR 9025). No comments were  
received.

The BLM is again soliciting comments  
on the proposed ICR that is described  
below. The BLM is especially interested  
in public comment addressing the  
following issues: (1) Is the collection  
necessary to the proper functions of the  
BLM; (2) will this information be  
processed and used in a timely manner;  
(3) is the estimate of burden accurate;  
(4) how might the BLM enhance the  
quality, utility, and clarity of the  
information to be collected; and (5) how  
might the BLM minimize the burden of  
this collection on the respondents,  
including through the use of  
information technology.

Comments that you submit in  
response to this notice are a matter of  
public record. 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.

**Abstract:** This information collection  
pertains to onshore geophysical  
exploration on Federal lands. Federal  
land-management agencies are  
responsible for regulating geophysical  
exploration on the Federal surface  
estate. The BLM regulates exploration  
for oil and gas on lands it manages, and  
on occasion regulates such exploration  
on lands managed by other Federal  
land-management agencies. The U.S.  
Forest Service (FS) regulates exploration  
for various types of minerals, including  
oil and gas, on lands it manages. The  
BLM and the FS propose to revise the  
accuracy and usefulness of the forms  
they use for this collection of  
information.

**Title of Collection:** Onshore  
Geophysical Exploration.

**OMB Control Number:** 1004–0162.

**Form Numbers:** BLM Form 3150–4/FS  
Form 2800–16 and BLM Form 3150–5/  
FS Form 2800–16a.

**Type of Review:** Revision of a  
currently approved collection.

**Respondents/Affected Public:** The  
respondents for this collection of  
information are business that seek to

conduct geophysical exploration on  
Federal lands.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual  
Respondents:** 23.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual  
Responses:** 23.

**Estimated Completion Time per  
Response:** Varies from 20 minutes to 1  
hour, depending on activity.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual  
Burden Hours:** 17.67.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Required to  
obtain or retain a benefit.

**Frequency of Collection:** On occasion.

**Total Estimated Annual Nonhour  
Burden Cost:** \$25.

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 OMB  
control number.

The authority for this action is the  
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44  
U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

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Bureau of Land Management, Information  
Collection Clearance Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Notice of Application for a Recordable Disclaimer of Interest for Lands Underlying the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet, Alaska

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The State of Alaska (State) has  
filed an application with the Bureau of  
Land Management (BLM) for a  
Recordable Disclaimer of Interest (RDI)  
from the United States in those lands  
underlying the Egegik River, Becharof  
Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet in  
southwest Alaska. The State asserts that  
the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and  
Ruth Lake and Outlet, were navigable  
and unreserved at the time of Alaska  
Statehood in 1959.

**DATES:** The BLM should receive all  
comments to this action on or before  
November 5, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments  
by mail or email on the State's  
application for an RDI or on the BLM  
Draft "Summary Report on Federal  
Interest in Lands Underlying the Egegik  
River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake

and Outlet in Alaska” (Draft Summary Report). To file comments by mail, send to: RDI Program Manager (AK-942), Division of Lands and Cadastral, BLM Alaska State Office, 222 West 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513. To submit comments by email, send to [anichols@blm.gov](mailto:anichols@blm.gov).

Copies of the State’s application, supporting evidence, the Draft Summary Report, and comments, including names and street addresses of commenters, will be available for public review at the BLM Alaska Public Information Center (Public Room), 222 West 8th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, during regular business hours 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Angie Nichols, RDI Program Manager, 222 West 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513; 907-271-3359; [anichols@blm.gov](mailto:anichols@blm.gov); or visit the BLM RDI website at <https://www.blm.gov/programs/lands-and-ree/realty/regional-information/alaska/RDI/bristol-bay>.

People who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay System (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or a question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On Sept. 7, 2016, the State filed an application (AA-94269) for an RDI pursuant to Section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) and the regulations contained in 43 CFR subpart 1864 for the lands underlying the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet. The State asserts that these waterbodies were navigable at the time of Alaska Statehood. As such, the State contends that ownership of the lands underlying this river system automatically passed from the United States to the State in 1959 at the time of Statehood under the Equal Footing Doctrine; the Submerged Lands Act of 1953; the Alaska Statehood Act; and other title navigability law. Section 315 of FLPMA authorizes the BLM to issue an RDI when it determines that a record interest of the United States in lands has terminated by law or is otherwise invalid, and a disclaimer will help remove a cloud on title to such lands.

The State’s application is for an RDI for all submerged lands underlying the portions described below of the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet. Specifically, these are Becharof Lake: All submerged lands and bed up to and including the ordinary

high water lines of Becharof Lake upstream from its outlet within section 5, township 25 south, range 46 west, Seward Meridian, Alaska; Egegik River: All submerged lands and bed of the Egegik River lying between the ordinary high water lines of the left and right banks of the Egegik River, beginning at the outlet of Becharof Lake, downstream to the limit of tidal influence; Unnamed outlet Ruth Lake: All submerged lands up to and including the ordinary high water lines of Unnamed outlet of Ruth Lake upstream from its outlet at Becharof Lake within section 5, township 30 south, range 42 west, Seward Meridian, Alaska, upstream to Ruth Lake; and Ruth Lake: All submerged lands and bed up to and including the ordinary high water lines of Ruth Lake upstream from its outlet within section 9, township 30 south, range 42 west, Seward Meridian, Alaska.

The State listed the coverage area on the USGS 1:63,360 series topographic maps as follows: Naknek A-1 through A-3, Karluk C-6, D-6 and Ugashik C-1 and D-1, D-2, D-3. Over time, the precise location of the submerged lands described above may vary between townships due to the ambulatory nature of these water bodies.

An RDI is a legal document through which the BLM disclaims the United States’ interest in, or ownership of, specified lands, but the disclaimer does not grant, convey, transfer, or renounce any title or interest in the lands, nor does it release any tax, judgment, or lien. This Notice of Application is to inform the public of the pending application and the State’s supporting evidence, as well as to provide the opportunity to comment or provide additional information to the BLM.

The BLM will not make a final decision on the merits of the State’s application before November 5, 2018. During this 90-day period, interested parties may comment on the State’s application, AA-94269, and supporting evidence. Interested parties may also comment on the BLM’s Draft Summary Report, which is available on the BLM’s RDI website (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above).

Copies of the State’s application, supporting evidence, the Draft Summary Report, and comments, including names and street addresses of commenters, will be available for public review at the BLM Alaska Public Information Center (Public Room), 222 West 8th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, during regular business hours 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Before including your 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 the BLM in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

If the BLM determines the State’s evidence and any additional information the agency receives concerning the State’s application is sufficient to reach a favorable determination, and neither the records nor a valid objection discloses a reason not to disclaim, the BLM may decide to approve the application for the RDI.

**Authority:** 43 CFR 1864.2.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Willow Master Development Plan Oil and Gas Prospect, Alaska

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

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Alaska State Office, Anchorage, Alaska, intends to prepare a Master Development Plan Environmental Impact Statement (MDP/EIS) for the Willow oil and gas prospect within the Bear Tooth Unit of the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR-A).

**DATES:** This Notice initiates the public scoping process for the Willow oil and gas prospect MDP/EIS. Comments on issues, impacts, and potential alternatives to be analyzed may be submitted in writing until September 6, 2018. The BLM will hold public scoping meetings in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Nuiqsut, and Utqiagvik. The dates, times, and locations of scoping meetings will be announced through local news media, newspapers, and the BLM Alaska website. Any Federal, state, local