

participate during this comment opportunity so that any substantive comments are provided at a time when the BLM can meaningfully consider them.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Richard W. Mayberry, Project Coordinator, at address above, or telephone (541) 947-2177. Copies of the document may also be requested by contacting Mr. Mayberry or Paul Whitman at this same telephone number.

Scott R. Florence,

Area Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Bay-Delta Advisory Council Meetings

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Bay-Delta Advisory Council (BDAC) will meet to discuss several issues including: general concurrence on a CALFED Bay-Delta Program watershed management plan; update from the fact finding BDAC Ecosystem Restoration Work Group and discussion on the independent scientific review of the CALFED Ecosystem Restoration Program Plan; an update on the activities of the Ecosystem Restoration program and the Ecosystem Roundtable subcommittee; an update from the fact BDAC Assurances Work Group; discussion on the detailed evaluation of the Phase II alternatives and comparison of several alternatives using a sample decision matrix; and other issues. The Ecosystem Roundtable (a subcommittee of the BDAC) will meet to discuss the following issues: an update on the type and number of proposals received as a result of the 1997 Category III Request for Proposals; the evaluation and selection process for the proposals; and future priorities and schedule for the Restoration Coordination Program. Interested persons may make oral statements to the BDAC or to the Ecosystem Roundtable or may file written statements for consideration.

DATES: The Bay-Delta Advisory Council meeting will be held from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 4, 1997. The Ecosystem Roundtable will meet from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Bay-Delta Advisory Council will meet at the Berkeley Marina

Marriott, 200 Marina Blvd., Berkeley, CA 94710; Phone 510-548-7920. The Ecosystem Roundtable will meet in Room 1131, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For the BDAC meeting, contact Sharon Gross, CALFED Bay-Delta Program, at (916) 657-2666. For the Ecosystem Roundtable meeting contact Kate Hansel, CALFED Bay-Delta Program, at (916) 657-2666. If reasonable accommodation is needed due to a disability, please contact the Equal Employment Opportunity Office at (916) 653-6952 or TDD (916) 653-6934 at least one week prior to the meeting.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The San Francisco Bay/Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Estuary (Bay-Delta system) is a critically important part of California's natural environment and economy. In recognition of the serious problems facing the region and the complex resource management decisions that must be made, the state of California and the Federal government are working together to stabilize, protect, restore, and enhance the Bay-Delta system. The State and Federal agencies with management and regulatory responsibilities in the Bay-Delta system are working together as CALFED to provide policy direction and oversight for the process.

One area of Bay-Delta management includes the establishment of a joint State-Federal process to develop long-term solutions to problems in the Bay-Delta system related to fish and wildlife, water supply reliability, natural disasters, and water quality. The intent is to develop a comprehensive and balanced plan which addresses all of the resource problem. This effort, the CALFED Bay-Delta Program (Program), is being carried out under the policy direction of CALFED. The CALFED Bay-Delta Program is exploring and the developing a long-term solution for a cooperative planning process that will determine the most appropriate strategy and actions necessary to improve water quality, restore health to the Bay-Delta ecosystem, provide for a variety of beneficial uses, and minimize Bay-Delta system vulnerability. A group of citizen advisors representing California's agricultural, environmental, urban, business, fishing, and other interests who have a stake in finding long term solutions for the problems affecting the Bay-Delta system has been chartered under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) as the Bay-Delta Advisory Council (BDAC) to advise CALFED on the program mission, problems to be addressed, and objectives for the

CALFED Bay-Delta Program. BDAC provides a forum to help ensure public participation, and will review reports and other materials prepared by CALFED staff. BDAC has established a subcommittee called the Ecosystem Roundtable to provide input on annual work plans to implement ecosystem restoration projects and programs.

Minutes of the meetings will be maintained by the CALFED Bay-Delta Program, Suite 1155, 1416 Ninth Street, Sacramento, California 95814, and will be available for public inspection during regular business hours, Monday through Friday within 30 days following the meeting.

Dated: July 29, 1997.

Roger Patterson,

Regional Director, Mid-Pacific Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection requests for the titles described below have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The information collection requests describe the nature of the information collections and their expected burden and cost.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 3, 1997, to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

To request a copy of either information collection request, explanatory information and related form, contact John A. Trelease at (202) 208-2783. You may also contact Mr. Trelease at jtreleas@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities

(see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). OSM has submitted two requests to OMB to renew its approval of the collections of information found at 30 CFR Part 769, Petition process for designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations, and 30 CFR part 773, Requirements for permits and permit processing. OSM is requesting a 3-year term of approval for these information collection activities.

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 OMB control number for these collections of information are 1029-0098 and 1029-0041, respectively.

As required under 5 CFR 1302.8(d), **Federal Register** notices soliciting comments on these collections of information were published on May 12, 1997 (62 FR 25970) for 30 CFR part 769, and on May 14, 1997 (62 FR 26552), for 30 CFR part 773. No comments were received from either notice. This notice provides the public with an additional 30 days in which to comment on the following information collection activities:

Title: Petition process for designation of Federal lands as unsuitable for all or certain types of surface coal mining operations and for termination of previous designations—30 CFR part 769.

OMB Control Number: 1029-0098.

Summary: This part establishes the minimum procedures and standards for designating Federal lands unsuitable for certain types of surface mining operations and for terminating designations pursuant to a petition. The information requested will aid the regulatory authority in the decision making process to approve or disapprove a request.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: Once.

Description of Respondents: People who may be adversely affected by surface mining on Federal lands.

Total Annual Responses: 1.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 130.

Title: Requirements for permits and permit processing, 30 CFR part 773.

OMB Control Number: 1029-0041.

Summary: The collections activities for this part ensure that the public has the opportunity to review permit applications prior to their approval, and that applicants for permanent program permits or their associates who are in violation of the Surface Mining Reclamation Act do not receive surface

coal mining permits pending resolution of their violations.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: Once.

Description of Respondents:

Applicants for surface coal mining and reclamation permits and State governments and Indian Tribes.

Total Annual Responses: 450.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,765.

Send comments on the need for the collections of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collections; and ways to minimize the information collection burdens on respondents, such as use of automated means of collections of the information, to the following addresses. Please refer to the appropriate OMB control number in all correspondence.

ADDRESSES: Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Department of Interior Desk Officer, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503. Also, please send a copy of your comments to John A. Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave, NW, Room 201-SIB, Washington, DC 20240, or electronically to jtreleas@osmre.gov.

Dated: July 29, 1997.

Richard G. Bryson,

Chief Division of Regulatory Support.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Lodging of Consent Decree Under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act

In accordance with the policy of the Department of Justice, 28 C.F.R. § 50.7, and 42 U.S.C. § 9622(d)(2)(B), notice is hereby given that a proposed Fifth Partial Consent Decree in *United States v. GSF Energy, L.L.C.*, Civil Action No. 97-5440 JGD, was lodged on July 23, 1997, with the United States District Court for the Central District of California. That action was brought pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act for cleanup and cost recovery at the Operating Industries, Inc. Superfund site in Monterey Park, California.

Pursuant to the Consent Decree, the settling parties, GSF Energy and Air Products and Chemicals Inc., will pay \$1.762 million to resolve their liability

for the performance of remedial actions at the Operating Industries site, and for reimbursement of costs incurred and to be incurred by the United States at the site. Work is ongoing at the site to perform the remedial actions by other parties who have settled in previous consent decrees for the same matters as this consent decree.

As provided in 28 C.F.R. § 50.7 and 42 U.S.C. § 9622(d)(2)(B), the Department of Justice will receive comments from persons who are not named as parties to this action relating to the proposed Consent Decree for a period of thirty days from the date of this publication. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General of the Environment and Natural Resources Division, Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530. All comments should refer to *United States v. GSF Energy, L.L.C.*, D.J. Ref. 90-11-2-1561.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the office of the United States Attorney, 300 North Los Angeles Street, Los Angeles, California 90012, and at the Region IX office of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California 94105. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may also be examined at the Consent Decree Library, 1120 G Street, N.W. 4th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20005 (202) 624-0892. A copy of the proposed Consent Decree may be obtained in person or by mail from the Consent Decree Library. In requesting a copy, please enclose a check in the amount of \$11.00 for a copy of the consent decree (25 cents per page reproduction costs) payable to "Consent Decree Library."

Joel M. Gross,

Chief, Environmental Enforcement Section, Environment and Natural Resources Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging of Consent Decree Pursuant to the Clean Water Act

Notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Johnson Engineering, Inc. & Lee County School Board*, Civil No. 97-283-CIV-FTM-24D (M.D. Fla.), was lodged with the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida on July 23, 1997. The proposed Consent Decree concerns alleged violations of sections 301(a) and 404 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. §§ 1311(a) and 1344, resulting from the unauthorized discharge of fill material into wetlands located within