

considered in the Draft DARP. He observed that endangered bird species recovery projects have the potential to benefit bird populations. He noted that predator control actions can be an effective tool in bird management programs. He also felt the Draft DARP's characterization of captive breeding programs as costly, ineffective, and of questionable success was overbroad and should be clarified as related to this spill situation.

Response: The trustees agree that endangered bird species recovery projects have the potential to benefit bird populations. However, this spill had no apparent direct or indirect effect on any endangered bird species in the Tampa Bay area. This alternative was eliminated from further consideration on that basis. With respect to predator control, the trustees are aware that some predator control is practiced in the Tampa Bay area but there are complex issues involved in the control of one species for the benefit of another. Such actions risk changes to ecological dynamics in target areas and can lead to unforeseen ecosystem disruptions. Further, in this instance, it is not clear to the trustees that such actions would, in fact, enhance long-term recruitment of relevant bird populations. The trustees are also concerned about the cost of implementing such actions. In the Final DARP, this option is not selected. Finally, the trustees' views on captive breeding programs have been clarified in the Final DARP.

Comment: The second commenter expressed strong support for training of rehabilitation facility personnel and volunteers in oiled wildlife management as a restoration option for birds. The commenter advocated training of Tampa and Boca Ciega Bay wildlife rehabilitators and their volunteers in the proper operation of an emergency facility and in the latest techniques in rehabilitating oiled wildlife of various species, noting that such actions would provide a larger pool of state permitted rehabilitators trained to implement emergency oil spill response operations.

Response: The trustees agree that training of rehabilitation facility personnel and volunteers, such as the commenter described, can enhance bird rescue and rehabilitation capabilities in the community and prevent bird mortalities in the future. Accordingly, training activities of this nature are within the scope of restoration actions that may be implemented in accordance with the Final DARP, Volume I, to restore or facilitate the recovery of birds injured by the spill. Selected restoration options, identified at Section 4.4.6.A, include using funds recovered to

augment the operations of existing bird rehabilitation organizations and network in the Tampa Bay area (Alternative 5), to ensure existing bird and wildlife rescue equipment is maintained (Alternative 6), to acquire equipment for small spill response support (Alternative 7), and/or to support removal of monofilament fishing line from bird habitats in Boca Ciega Bay (Alternative 8). In implementing the restoration plan for birds, final funding decisions will be based primarily on the relative ability of candidate projects to meet the primary restoration objective identified for birds and the funds available to implement restoration actions for birds.

Comment: The second commenter also requested that the National Audubon Society of Tampa be eligible for funding to continue collecting baseline data on bird species distribution in the area noting that this data could be used to calculate future damages.

Response: As outlined in the Final DARP, Volume I, the restoration plan to be implemented for birds will apply recovered funds to augment existing bird rescue or rehabilitation capabilities and/or support removal of fishing line from bird habitats in the area impacted by the spill. These activities address the injuries to birds caused by the spill by ensuring that, in the future, more birds will be restored to the environment and/or fewer birds will be lost by reducing a source of bird mortalities. While the trustees recognize the importance of baseline data on bird populations, the restoration plan is focused on actions to restore or replace injured birds.

Dated: August 15, 1997.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Technology Administration

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0002]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Solicitation Mailing List Application (SF 129)

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0002).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Solicitation Mailing List Application (SF 129). A request for comments was published at 62 FR 33605, on June 20, 1997. No comments were received.

DATES: *Comment Due Date* September 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4037, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0002 in all correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph DeStefano, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1758.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The Standard Form 129, Solicitation Mailing List Application, is used by all Federal agencies as an application form for prospective contractors to provide information needed to establish and maintain a list of firms interested in selling to the Government. The information is used to establish lists of firms to be solicited when the products or services they provide are needed by the Government.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .58 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

The annual reporting burden is estimated as follows: Respondents, 243,000; responses per respondent, 4; total annual responses, 972,000; preparation hours per response, .58; and total response burden hours, 563,760.

Obtaining copies of proposals: Requester may obtain copies of OMB applications or justifications from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), Room 4037, 1800 F Street, NW, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0002, Solicitation Mailing List Application (SF 129), in all correspondence.

Dated: August 20, 1997.

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FAR Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0011]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Preaward Survey Forms (Standard Forms 1403, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1407, and 1408)

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0011).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Preaward Survey forms (Standard Forms 1403, 1404, 1405, 1406, 1407, and 1408). A request for public comments was published at 62 FR 33606, June 27, 1997. No comments were received.

DATES: *Comment Due Date* September 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4037, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0011 in all correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph DeStefano, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1758.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

To protect the Government's interest and to ensure timely delivery of items of the requisite quality, contracting officers, prior to award, must make an affirmative determination that the prospective contractor is responsible, *i.e.*, capable of performing the contract. Before making such a determination, the contracting officer must have in his possession or must obtain information sufficient to satisfy himself that the prospective contractor (i) has adequate financial resources, or the ability to obtain such resources, (ii) is able to comply with required delivery schedule, (iii) has a satisfactory record of performance, (iv) has a satisfactory record of integrity, and (v) is otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under appropriate laws and regulations. If such information is not in the contracting officer's possession, it is obtained through a preaward survey conducted by the contract administration office responsible for the plant and/or the geographic area in which the plant is located. The necessary data is collected by contract administration personnel from available