

cite OMB Control Number 0704-0390 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Amy Williams, at (703) 602-0131. A copy of this information collection requirement is available electronically via the Internet at: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars/html>

Paper copies may be obtained from Ms. Amy Williams, PDUSD(A&T)DP(DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Forms, and OMB Control Number: Taxes—Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 229, and related clauses at 252.229, OMB Control Number 0704-0390.

Needs and Uses: This information collection is used by DoD to determine if DoD contractors in the United Kingdom have attempted to obtain relief from customs duty on vehicle fuels in accordance with contract requirements.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 68.

Number of Respondents: 17.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

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Average Burden per Response: 4 hours.

Frequency: On occasion.

Summary of Information Collection

The clause at DFARS 252.229-7010, Relief from Customs Duty on Fuel (United Kingdom), is prescribed at DFARS 229.402-70(j), for use in solicitations issued and contracts awarded in the United Kingdom that require the use of fuels (gasoline or diesel) and lubricants in taxis or vehicles other than passenger vehicles. The clause requires the contractor to submit to the contracting officer evidence that an attempt to obtain relief from customs duty on fuels and lubricants has been initiated.

Michele P. Peterson,
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

General Services Administration

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

[OMB Control No. 9000-0141]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request for Buy American Act—Construction (Grimberg Decision)

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

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0141).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Buy American Act—Construction (Grimberg Decision). The clearance currently expires on February 28, 1999.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before January 5, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Linfield, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA, (202) 501-1757.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The clauses at FAR 52.225-5, Buy American Act—Construction Materials, and FAR 52.225-15, Buy American Act—Construction Materials under Trade Agreements Act and North American Free Trade Agreement, provide that offerors/contractors requesting to use foreign construction material, other than construction material eligible under a trade agreement, shall provide adequate information for Government evaluation of the request. These regulations implement the Buy American Act for construction (41 U.S.C. 10a-10d).

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.5 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, 500; responses per respondent, 2; total annual responses, 1,000; preparation hours per response, 2.5; and total response burden hours, 2,500.

OBTAINING COPIES OF PROPOSALS:

Requester may obtain a copy of justification from the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat (MVRs), Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405, telephone (202) 501-4755. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0141 regarding Buy American Act—Construction (Grimberg Decision) in all correspondence.

Dated: November 3, 1998.

Edward C. Loeb,

Director, Federal Acquisition Policy Division.
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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Draft Legislative Environmental Impact Statement for the Withdrawal Renewal of Fort Wainwright Yukon Training Area and Fort Greely West Training Area and Fort Greely East Training Area, Alaska

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This announces the availability of the Draft legislative Environmental Impact Statement (DLEIS) for the renewed withdrawal of Fort Wainwright Yukon Training Area (formerly known as the Fort Wainwright Maneuver Area) and Fort Greely West Training Area (formerly known as the Fort Greely Maneuver Area) and Fort Greely East Training Area (formerly known as the Fort Greely Air Drop Zone) from public use for military purposes. The lands are located near Fairbanks, Alaska.

The Military Lands Withdrawal Act (Pub. L. 99-606, enacted by Congress on November 6, 1986) identified Fort Wainwright Maneuver Area (now known as Fort Wainwright Yukon Training Area) and Fort Greely Maneuver Area (now known as the Fort Greely West Training Area) and Fort

Greely Air Drop Zone (now known as Fort Greely East Training Area) as lands withdrawn from public use until November 6, 2001. If the Army intends to continue use beyond this time, the Act requires the Army to publish a Draft Environmental Impact Statement by November 6, 1998.

DATES: Comments should be received no later than February 7, 1999.

ADDRESSES: To obtain copies of the DLEIS, contact Mr. Doug Johnson, Directorate of Public Works, ATTN: APVR-RPW-EV, 730 Quartermaster Road, Fort Richardson, AK 99505-6500. **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Doug Johnson at (907) 384-3090, fax: (907) 384-3047 or Ms. Cindy Herdrich, Center for Ecological Management of Military Lands (CEMML), Colorado State University, Vocational Education Building, Fort Collins, CO 80523; telephone: (970) 491-2728, fax: (970) 491-2713.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Fort Wainwright Yukon Training Area comprises approximately 246,277 acres near Fairbanks, Alaska. The Fort Greely West and East Training Areas comprise approximately 623,585 acres near Delta Junction, Alaska. These areas were withdrawn from public use from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) for military purposes with the enactment of the Military Lands Withdrawal Act on November 6, 1986. The Act specifies these lands are reserved for use by the Secretary of the Army for military maneuvering, training, artillery firing, aerial gunnery, infantry tactics, equipment development and testing, as well as other defense related purposes. The withdrawal renewal lands are used to train in an extremely cold environment, and to test the effect of this environment on military equipment. The Fort Wainwright Yukon Training Area and Fort Greely West and East Training Areas are used by the Army and Air Force. The Army and BLM jointly manage the natural resources on the withdrawal renewal lands recognizing their primary military role.

The Department of the Army has determined there is a continuing military requirement for the use of these withdrawal lands to train and maintain military units at the required state of readiness. The preferred alternative proposes to renew the existing military withdrawals for 50 years until November 6, 2051. The proposed 50-year withdrawal period is approximately the same length of time the military will have used these lands when the existing withdrawals expire in 2001.

Under the no action alternative considered in the DLEIS, Congress would not grant the requested withdrawal renewals. The lands would no longer be available for military use after November 5, 2001.

The Army conducted scoping on the DLEIS to inform the public of the proposed action, identify significant issues, and develop alternatives related to the proposed withdrawal renewal. Federal, State, local agencies, and the public were invited to participate in the scoping process. Public scoping meetings were held in Delta Junction, Fairbanks, and Anchorage in June and December 1997.

Significant issues identified during the scoping process and included in the impact analysis of the DLEIS are public access, air quality, military contamination of soils and surface water, noise, ownership of submerged lands, and wildlife and their habitat.

Public meetings are tentatively scheduled for January 1999 in Delta Junction, Fairbanks, and Anchorage to receive comments on the DLEIS. Notification of specific times and locations for the public meetings will be published in local newspapers. Written comments on the DLEIS will be accepted from publication of the Notice of Availability through 30 days following the public meetings. All comments will be addressed in the Final Legislative Environmental Impact Statement. All interested individuals, organizations, and governmental agencies are encouraged to comment on the DLEIS.

Written comments may be forwarded to Ms. Cindy Herdrich at the above address or at <http://www.cemml.colostate.edu/alaskaeis>.

Dated: November 2, 1998.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army, (Environmental, Safety, and Occupational Health) OASA (I,L&E).

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Record of Decision (ROD) for Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Projects and Activities Associated With Programs at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico

AGENCY: Department of the Army, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice of availability announces the public release of a ROD

resulting from a recently completed EIS for White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico. A summary of the ROD is provided in the supplementary information paragraph below.

ADDRESSES: To receive a copy of the ROD contact the Commander, White Sands Missile Range, ATTN: STEWS-NRES-C (Mr. Robert J. Andreoli), White Sands Missile Range, NM 88002-5048.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert J. Andreoli at (505) 678-7926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: White Sands Missile Range is an extensive and complex test range. It consists of launch sites, target areas, instrumentation, buildings, equipment, and personnel used by DoD, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and other Federal and commercial testing concerns to conduct safe, large-scale experiments on advanced weapons and space flight systems. In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, White Sands prepared an EIS to address environmental quality implications of implementing projects and activities on the missile range. The decision resulting from the findings of the EIS is to adopt specific mitigation measures for the continuation of existing White Sands Missile Range programs and future testing of scientific, military, and commercial systems.

Mitigation measures, in addition to those specifically identified in the EIS, will be developed by use of the White Sands Missile Range Decision Analysis System and Geographic Information System (DAS/GIS) during the planning stage and will assist in planning projects so as to minimize environmental impacts. White Sands has management practices for the conservation of sensitive natural resources, including wildlife, endangered species, and wetlands. Best management practices and common erosion control techniques will be used in ground disturbed activities.

These same mitigation measures will be integrated into the DAS/GIS and will provide project proponents with environmental information, site location decision support, and regulatory approval at significant cost savings and with improved efficiency. As a result, White Sands will be better able to protect, restore, and enhance the range environment as it more effectively supports its operational mission.

The White Sands EIS lacks some baseline documentation and impacts analysis information and is to be rectified by the preparation of Technical Support Documents (TSDs). TSDs are to be prepared for: water resources analysis; emissions analysis (including