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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 6, 2006, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 11224) requesting comments on the information collection. The comment period closed on May 5, 2006. The BLM did not receive any comments. We are soliciting comments on the following:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Title:** Surface Management (43 CFR subpart 3809).

**OMB Control Number:** 1004-0194.

**Abstract:** Under the General Mining Law, a citizen may enter onto public domain lands that are subject to the law to prospect and explore for valuable mineral deposits. They may do so without seeking the government's permission beforehand. The rights to a deposit of a valuable mineral are granted through the act of discovering the mineral deposit. After making a discovery, a prospector may choose to

locate and record a mining claim to protect investments in exploration and to have a secure tenure to discovered valuable mineral deposits. Locating a mining claim is not a prerequisite for conducting operations on the public lands, nor is it even a requirement for carrying out mining operations. The BLM uses the regulations at 43 CFR subpart 3809 to govern hardrock mineral exploration and development on the public lands and Federal interests in the lands. The hardrock minerals are subject to the provisions of the 1872 General Mining Law (30 U.S.C. 22, *et seq.*, as amended).

BLM collects form and nonform information on surface management activities from mining claimants and operators.

**Burden Estimate Per Form:** The following chart lists form and non-form information collection requirements that are submitted quarterly, monthly, on occasion, and annually to the BLM by the private sector.

43 CFR Citation	Subpart	Forms	Number of responses	Hours/\$	Burden hours	Burden/(\$)
<b>Non-Forms:</b>						
3809.21/.301 .....	Notice Level .....	.....	386	32 hr @ 75 .....	12,352	926,400
3809.330 .....	Notice Level Modification .....	.....	108	32 hr @ 75 .....	3,456	259,200
3809.333 .....	Notice Extension .....	.....	169	30 minutes @ 75 .....	85	6,253
3809.11/.401 .....	Plan of Operations .....	.....	54	245 hr @ 90 .....	13,230	1,190,700
	EIS .....	.....	6	4960 hr @ 205 .....	29,760	6,100,800
	EA-Standard .....	.....	16	890 hr @ 90 .....	14,240	1,281,600
	EA-Exploration/Simple .....	.....	35	320 hr @ 70 .....	11,200	784,000
3809.430 .....	Plan Modification .....	.....	96	245 hr @ 90 .....	23,520	2,116,900
	EIS .....	.....	2	4960 hr @ 205 .....	9,920	2,033,600
	EA-Standard .....	.....	29	890 hr @ 90 .....	25,810	2,322,900
	EA-Exploration/Simple .....	.....	62	320 hr @ 70 .....	19,840	1,388,800
<b>Forms:</b>						
3809.500 .....	Financial Guarantee ....	3809-1 .....	67	8 hours @ 40 .....	536	21,440
		3809-2 .....	270	8 hours @ 40 .....	2,160	86,400
		3809-4 .....	13	8 hours @ 40 .....	104	4,160
		3809-4a .....	10	8 hours @ 40 .....	80	3,200
3809.116 .....	Operator Change .....	3809-5 .....	46	8 hours @ 40 .....	368	14,720
<b>Total</b> .....	.....	.....	<b>1,369</b>	.....	<b>166,661</b>	<b>18,537,273</b>

Annual Responses: 1,369.

Application Fee Per Response: 0.

Annual Burden Hours: 166,661.

Dated: January 11, 2007.

**Ted R. Hudson,**

*Bureau of Land Management, Acting Division Chief Regulatory Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WO-320-1320-PB-24 1A]

### Submission to Office of Management and Budget—Information Collection, OMB Control Number 1004-0073

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the

Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted a request for an extension of an approved information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval.

**DATES:** The OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. Submit your comments to OMB at the address below by February 20, 2007, to receive maximum consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the OMB, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0073), at OMB-OIRA e-mail [OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov) or via

facsimile at (202) 395-6566. Also please send a copy of your comments to BLM via Internet and include your name, address, and ATTN: 1004-0073 in your Internet message to [comments\\_washington@blm.gov](mailto:comments_washington@blm.gov) or via mail to: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Mail Stop 401LS, 1849 C Street, NW., ATTN: Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Washington, DC 20240.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 6, 2006, the BLM published a notice in the **Federal Register** (71 FR 11221) requesting comments on the information collection. The comment period closed on May 5, 2006. The BLM did not receive any comments. We are soliciting comments on the following:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;

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*Title:* Coal Management (43 CFR part 3400).

*OMB Control Number:* 1004-0073.

*Abstract:* The BLM manages the leasing and development of Federal coal under the regulations at 43 CFR Group 3400. These regulations implement numerous statutes including:

(1) The Mineral Leasing Act of 1920;

(2) The 1976 coal amendments (30 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*);

(3) The Mineral Leasing Act for Acquired Lands of 1947 (30 U.S.C. 351-359);

(4) The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1761 *et seq.*);

(5) The Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1201 *et seq.*);

(6) The Multiple Mineral Development Act of 1954 (30 U.S.C. 521-531);

(7) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); and

(8) The Act of October 30, 1978 (92 Stat. 2073-2075).

BLM uses the information provided by the applicant(s) on BLM Forms 3400-12 and 3440-1 to determine if the applicant to lease or develop Federal coal is qualified to hold such a lease.

*Burden Estimate Per Form:* We estimate it takes 1 hour to complete Form 3400-12 and 21 hours for Form 3440-1 and is submitted quarterly, monthly, and annually to the BLM by the private sector.

The following chart lists non-form information collection requirements.

Public burden hours information collected	Number of actions per year	Public burden hours per action	Total annual public burden hours	Total annual public burden cost
a Coal Lease (Form 3400-12) .....	10	1	10	\$378
b License to Mine (Form 3440-1) .....	1	1	1	38
c 43 CFR subpart 3410; Exploration License .....	21	24	504	19,051
d 43 CFR subpart 3420; Regional Coal Licensing .....	1	25	25	945
e 43 CFR subpart 3422; Coal Lease Sales .....	10	30	300	11,340
f 43 CFR subpart 3425; Leasing-On-Application .....	8	308	2,464	93,139
g 43 CFR subpart 3427; Surface Owner Consent .....	43	1	43	1,626
h 43 CFR subpart 3430; Preference Right Leasing .....	1	800	800	30,240
i 43 CFR subpart 3432; Lease Modifications .....	5	12	60	2,268
j 43 CFR subpart 3440; License to Mine .....	1	21	21	794
k 43 CFR subpart 3452; Relinquishments .....	4	18	72	2,722
l 43 CFR subpart 3453; Transfers, Assignments, and Subleases .....	9	10	90	3,402
m 43 CFR subpart 3471; Coal Management Provisions and Limitations .....	9	3	27	1,021
n 43 CFR subpart 3472; Special Leasing Qualifications .....	10	3	30	1,134
o 43 CFR subpart 3474; Bonds .....	141	8	1,128	42,639
p 43 CFR subpart 3481; General Provisions .....	1	1	1	38
q 43 CFR subpart 3482; Exploration and Resource Recovery and Protection Plans .....	460	21	9,660	365,148
r 43 CFR subpart 3483; Diligence Requirements .....	7	21	147	5,557
s 43 CFR subpart 3484; Performance Standards .....	19	1	19	718
t 43 CFR subpart 3485; Royalty Rate Reductions .....	10	24	240	9,072
u 43 CFR subpart 3485; Exploration and Production Reporting .....	457	16	7,312	276,394
v 43 CFR subpart 3486; Inspection, Enforcement, and Appeals .....	5	4	20	756
w 43 CFR subpart 3487; Logical Mining Unit .....	2	170	340	12,852
Total .....	1,235	.....	23,314	881,272

*Annual Responses:* 1,235.

*Application Fee Per Response:* \$275 for 43 CFR 3410, \$10 for 43 CFR 3440, and \$55 for 43 CFR 3453.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 23,314.

Dated: January 11, 2007.

**Ted R. Hudson,**

*Bureau of Land Management, Acting Division Chief Regulatory Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[WO-230-1020-PB-24 1A]

#### Submission to Office of Management and Budget—Information Collection, OMB Control Number 1004-0058

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted a request for an extension of an approved information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval.

**DATES:** The OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days but may respond after 30 days. Submit your comments to OMB at the address below by February 20, 2007 to receive maximum consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the OMB, Interior Department Desk Officer (1004-0058), at OMD-OIRA e-mail [OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov) or via facsimile at (202) 395-6566. Also please send a copy of your comments to BLM via Internet and include your name, address, and ATTN: 1004-0058 in your Internet message to [comments\\_washington@blm.gov](mailto:comments_washington@blm.gov) or via mail to: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Mail Stop 401LS, 1849 C Street, NW., ATTN: Bureau Information Collection Clearance Officer (WO-630), Washington, DC 20240.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 6, 2006, the BLM published a notice in

the **Federal Register** (71 FR 11222) requesting comments on the information collection. The comment period closed on May 5, 2006. The BLM did not receive any comments. We are soliciting comments on the following:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.

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*Title:* Timber Export Reporting and Substitution Determination (43 CFR part 5420)

*OMB Control Number:* 1004-0058.

*Abstract:* The BLM manages and sells timber located on the reversioned Oregon and California Railroad and the reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant Lands under the authority of the Act of August 28, 1937 (50 Stat. 875, 43 U.S.C. 1181e). Under the Act of July 31, 1947, as amended (61 Stat. 681, 30 U.S.C. 601 et seq.), BLM also manages and sells timber located on other lands under our jurisdiction. The Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Acts of 1975 and 1976 contained a requirement for the inclusion of provisions in timber sale contracts that will ensure that unprocessed timber sold from public lands under the jurisdiction of the BLM will not be exported or used by the purchasers as a substitute for timber they export or sell for export. The regulations at 43 CFR part 5400, Sales of Forest Products, General, cover these provisions.

Timber purchasers or their affiliates must submit the information listed at 43 CFR 5424.1(a) using Form 5460-17, Substitution Determination. We collect the purchaser's name, timber contract number, processing facility location, total volume of Federal timber purchased on an annual basis, total volume of private timber exported on an annual basis, and method of measuring the volume. The regulation at 43 CFR 5424.1(b) requires that the purchasers or affiliates retain a record of Federal timber acquisitions and private timber exports for three years from the date the activity occurred. BLM uses this

information to determine if there was a substitution of Federal timber for exported private timber in violation of 43 CFR 5400.0-3(c).

*Burden Estimate Per Form:* We estimate it takes 1 hour to complete Form 5460-17 and is submitted on occasion to the BLM by the private sector.

*Annual Responses:* 1.

*Application Fee Per Response:* 0.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1.

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**Ted R. Hudson,**

*Bureau of Land Management, Acting Division Chief Regulatory Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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#### Submission to Office of Management and Budget—Information Collection, OMB Control Number 1004-0001

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has submitted a request for an extension of an approved information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval.

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