

will be an increase in the number of OBP agents in all areas of the country, with a concomitant increase in the number of vehicles.

The following actions comprise the recommended plan for Operation Rio Grande at the six OBP stations in the McAllen Sector:

Rio Grande City Station (3.5 miles of permanent lighting and 6 boat ramps); McAllen Station (4 miles of permanent lighting, 6.4 miles of road improvement, and 2 boat ramps); Mercedes Station (11.1 miles of permanent lighting, 30 miles of road improvement, and 3 boat ramps); Harlingen Station (1.7 miles of permanent lighting (43 portable lights along 4.6 miles currently exist), 16 miles of road improvement, and 3 boat ramps); Brownsville Station (19 miles of road improvement, 5 boat ramps, 3.8 miles of fencing, and mowing (79 portable lights over a 13-mile distance and 30 permanent light poles along 1.5 miles currently exist)); and Port Isabel Station (16 miles of road improvement, 4 boat ramps, and 1.6 miles of fencing (64 portable lights along 11 miles currently exist)). The Harlingen, Brownsville, and Port Isabel Stations currently have portable lighting and the Brownsville Station currently has permanent lighting, as agreed to under the settlement of the lawsuit noted above. No new lighting is proposed for the Brownsville and Port Isabel Stations and only permanent lighting is proposed for the Harlingen Station. The current permanent/portable lighting at these three stations, however, was addressed in the final EIS.

The proposed project is not expected to produce any significant long-term or cumulative adverse impacts on the human or natural environment, as defined in the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR 1508.27). As noted in detail in the final EIS, essentially no impacts, beneficial or adverse, to the physiography, geology, soils, climate, water resources, aquatic systems, wildlife, cultural resources, aesthetics, noise, or air quality of the area are anticipated and there were no indications of hazardous wastes. There will be some local, beneficial impacts to vegetation from reduced trampling of vegetation and littering by illegal entrants and drug traffickers and from road closures. The proposed lighting improvements could potentially have minor, local adverse impacts on migration, dispersal, and foraging activities of nocturnal species. Two endangered species could potentially be impacted by the proposed project, the ocelot (*Leopardus pardalis*) and jaguarundi (*Hepailurus yagouaroundi*). These species are largely nocturnal and

it is expected they would avoid illuminated areas. Extensive coordination with the FWS was conducted to determine the position and direction of the proposed lighting structures to minimize the illumination to brush and other types of screening cover. Proposed mitigation measures, such as road closures and habitat construction, would increase the amount of habitat for these species. Reducing illegal immigrant traffic in the McAllen Sector would further reduce impacts to the habitat. Therefore, both the final EIS and the FWS Biological Opinion conclude that no significant adverse impacts will accrue to these species.

The only significant impacts would be socioeconomic. The socioeconomic impacts would be long-term and beneficial, both nationally and locally, primarily from the long-term reduction of flow of illegal drugs into the United States and the concomitant effects upon the Nation's health and economy, drug-related crimes, community cohesion, property values, and traditional family values. Residents of the border towns would benefit from increased security, a reduction in illegal drug-smuggling activities and the number of violent crimes, less damage to and loss of personal property, and less financial burden for entitlement programs. This would be accompanied by the concomitant benefits of reduced enforcement and insurance costs. Minor short-term local employment may be generated during the construction phase of the proposed action.

I have reviewed and evaluated the documents concerning the proposed actions, views of other interested agencies and parties, and the various practical means to avoid or minimize environmental impacts. Based on these considerations, I conclude that all practical means to avoid or minimize environmental impacts have been incorporated into the preferred plan. I find the preferred plan to be economically justified, in compliance with environmental statutes, and in the public interest.

Dated: April 15, 2005.

Robert C. Bonner,

Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4665-N-24]

Conference Call Meeting of the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of upcoming meeting via conference call.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming meeting of the Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee (the Committee) to be held via telephone conference. This meeting is open to the general public, which may participate by following the instructions below.

DATE: The conference call meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 25, 2005, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. eastern time.

ADDRESSES: Information concerning the conference call can be obtained from the Department's Consensus Committee Administering Organization, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). Interested parties can log onto NFPA's Web site for instructions on how to participate, and for contact information for the conference call: <http://www.nfpa.org/categoryList.asp?categoryID=858>.

Alternately, interested parties may contact Jill McGovern of NFPA by phone at (617) 984-7404 (this is not a toll-free number) for conference call information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William W. Matchneer III, Administrator, Office of Manufactured Housing Programs, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Regulatory Affairs and Manufactured Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-6409 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons who have difficulty hearing or speaking may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is provided in accordance with Sections 10(a) and (b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.2) and 41 CFR 102-3.150. The Manufactured Housing Consensus Committee was established under Section 604(a)(3) of the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 4503(a)(3). The Committee is charged with providing

recommendations to the Secretary to adopt, revise, and interpret manufactured home construction and safety standards and procedural and enforcement regulations, and with developing and recommending proposed model installation standards to the Secretary.

The purpose of this conference call meeting is for the Committee to review and make recommendations to the Secretary on Title 24, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 3280 and 3285, Model Manufactured Home Installation Standards; Proposed Rule.

Tentative Agenda

- A. Roll Call.
- B. Welcome and Opening remarks.
- C. Full Committee meeting for discussion and to take an action regarding the Model Manufactured Home Installation Standards; Proposed Rule that was published in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, April 26, 2005.
- D. Adjournment.

Dated: May 9, 2005.

Frank L. Davis,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Information Collection Renewal To Be Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; 1018-0019; North American Woodcock Singing Ground Survey

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (Fish and Wildlife Service, Service) plan to request that OMB renew approval for information collection associated with FWS Form 3-156 (North American Woodcock Singing Ground Survey). The current OMB Control Number for this information collection is 1018-0019, which expires October 31, 2005. We plan to request that OMB renew its approval of this information collection for a 3-year term.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before July 11, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the information collection to Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive,

Arlington, VA 22203 (mail); hope_grey@fws.gov (e-mail); or (703) 358-2269 (fax).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection requirements, explanatory information, or related form, contact Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at the above addresses or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), 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)). Federal agencies 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 Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703-712) and Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 (16 U.S.C. 742a-742j) designate the Department of the Interior as the key agency responsible for (1) wise management of migratory bird populations frequenting the United States and (2) setting hunting regulations that allow for the well-being of migratory bird populations. These responsibilities dictate that we gather accurate data on various characteristics of migratory bird populations.

The North American Woodcock Singing Ground Survey is an essential part of the migratory bird management program. State, Federal, Provincial, local, and tribal conservation agencies conduct the survey annually to provide the data necessary to determine the population status of the woodcock. In addition, the information is vital in assessing the relative changes in the geographic distribution of the woodcock. We use the information primarily to develop recommendations for hunting regulations. Without information on the population's status, we might promulgate hunting regulations that are not sufficiently restrictive, which could cause harm to the woodcock population, or too restrictive, which would unduly restrict recreational opportunities afforded by woodcock hunting. The Service, State conservation agencies, university associates, and other interested parties use the data for various research and management projects.

Title of Collection: North American Woodcock Singing Ground Survey.
OMB Control Number: 1018-0019.
Service Form Number: 3-156.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Description of Respondents: State, Federal, Provincial, tribal, and local biologists.

Total Annual Responses: 750.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 571 hours. The reporting burden is estimated to average 0.67 hours per respondent. With an estimated 70 percent of the respondents entering data electronically, the reporting burden is estimated to average 0.8 hours per respondent.

We invite your comments concerning this information collection on: (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of our migratory bird management functions, including whether or not the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond. The information collections in this program are part of a system of records covered by the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a).

Our practice is to make comments, including names and home addresses of respondents, available for public review during regular business hours. Individual respondents may request that we withhold their home addresses from the record, which we will honor to the extent allowable by law. There may also be limited circumstances in which we would withhold a respondent's identity from the administrative record, as allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this clearly at the beginning of your comment. We will not consider anonymous comments. We generally make all submissions from organizations or businesses and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses available for public inspection in their entirety.

Dated: April 22, 2005.

Hope Grey,

*Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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