

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden	557	1		0.12		70

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 70.
Status: Extension of a currently approved collection.
Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.
 Dated: May 21, 2009.
Lillian Deitzer,
Departmental Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R7-SM-2009-N111] [70101-1261-0000-L6]

Proposed Information Collection; OMB Control Number 1018-0075; Federal Subsistence Regulations and Associated Forms

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (Fish and Wildlife Service, Service) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC. This IC is scheduled to expire on October 31, 2009. We 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.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before July 27, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the IC to Hope Grey, Information Collection

Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (mail); or *hope_grey@fws.gov* (e-mail).
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this IC, contact Hope Grey by mail or e-mail (see ADDRESSES) or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Alaska Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) and Service regulations at 50 CFR 100 require that persons engaged in taking fish, shellfish, and wildlife on public lands in Alaska apply for and obtain a permit to do so and comply with reporting provisions of that permit. Under the current approval for this information collection, we use three forms to collect information from qualified rural residents for subsistence harvest:

- (1) FWS Form 3-2326 (Federal Subsistence Hunt Application, Permit, and Report).
- (2) FWS Form 3-2327 (Designated Hunter Permit Application, Permit, and Report).
- (3) FWS Form 3-2328 (Federal Subsistence Fishing Application, Permit, and Report).

We are proposing to add two new forms:

- (1) FWS Form 3-2378 (Designated Fishing Permit Application, Permit, and Report).
- (2) FWS Form 3-2379 (Federal Subsistence Customary Trade Recordkeeping Form).

We use the information collected to evaluate:

- (1) Subsistence harvest success.
- (2) Effectiveness of season lengths, harvest quotas, and harvest restrictions.
- (3) Hunting patterns and practices.
- (4) Hunter use.

The Federal Subsistence Board uses the harvest data, along with other

information, to set future season dates and bag limits for Federal subsistence resource users. These seasons and bag limits are set to meet needs of subsistence hunters without adversely impacting the health of existing animal populations.

During the renewal process for this information, we reviewed our regulations and discovered some information collection requirements not specifically addressed in our previous request for approval. We also collect nonform information on:

- (1) Repeal of Federal subsistence rules and regulations (50 CFR 100.14).
- (2) Proposed changes to Federal subsistence regulations (50 CFR 100.18).
- (3) Special action requests (50 CFR 100.19).
- (4) Requests for reconsideration (50 CFR 100.20).
- (5) Requests for permits and reports, such as traditional religious/cultural/ educational permits; fishwheel permits; fyke net permits; and under ice permits (50 CFR 100.25-27).

Our regulations at 50 CFR 100 contain procedures for the above information collection requirements, including the documentation that must be submitted. The documentation will ensure that we have all of the information necessary to adequately consider requests.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1018-0075.
Title: Federal Subsistence Regulations and Associated Forms, 50 CFR 100.
Service Form Number(s): FWS Forms 3-2326, 3-2327, 3-2328, 3-2378, and 3-2379.
Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.
Affected Public: Federally defined rural residents in Alaska.
Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain a benefit.
Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Activity	Number of annual respondents	Number of annual responses	Completion time per response	Annual burden hours
FWS Form 3-2326 - Hunt Application, Permit, and Report	5,000	5,000	15 minutes	1,250
FWS Form 3-2327 - Designated Hunter Application, Permit, and Report.	450	450	15 minutes	113
FWS Form 3-2328 - Fishing Application, Permit, and Report	250	250	15 minutes	63
FWS Form 3-2378 - Designated Fisher Permit Application, Permit, and Report.	450	450	15 minutes	113
FWS Form 3-2379 - Customary Trade Recordkeeping Form	25	25	15 minutes	6
50 CFR 100.14 - Petition to Repeal Subsistence Rules	1	1	2 hours	2
50 CFR 100.18 - Proposed Changes	75	75	30 minutes	38

Activity	Number of annual respondents	Number of annual responses	Completion time per response	Annual burden hours
50 CFR 100.19 - Special Actions Request	25	25	30 minutes	13
50 CFR 100.20 - Requests for Reconsideration	3	3	4 hours	12
50 CFR 100.25-27 - Traditional/Cultural/Educational Permits and Reports.	20	20	30 minutes	10
50 CFR 100.25-27 -Fishwheel, Fyke Net, and Under Ice Permits and Reports.	8	8	15 minutes	2
Totals	6,307	6,307	1,622

III. Request for Comments

We invite comments concerning this IC on:

- (1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information;
- (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 respondents.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include and/or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this IC. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: May 20, 2009

Hope Grey,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R1-R-2009-N0050; 1265-0000-10137-S3]

Columbia National Wildlife Refuge, Adams and Grant Counties, WA

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment;

announcement of a public open house meeting; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), intend to prepare a comprehensive conservation plan (CCP) for the Columbia National Wildlife Refuge (refuge) located in Adams and Grant Counties, Washington. We will also prepare an environmental assessment (EA) to evaluate the potential effects of various CCP alternatives. This notice also announces a public open house meeting; see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the details. We issue this notice in compliance with our CCP policy to advise the public and other agencies of our intentions and to obtain suggestions and information on the scope of issues we will consider during the CCP planning process.

DATES: Please provide written comments by July 13, 2009. A public open house meeting will be held on June 16, 2009. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for details.

ADDRESSES: Additional information concerning the refuge and the CCP is available on the Internet at <http://www.fws.gov/mcriver/>. Send your comments or requests for more information to us as follows:

- Mail: Columbia National Wildlife Refuge Comments, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 64 Maple Street, Burbank, WA 99323.
- Fax: (509) 488-0705.
- E-mail: mcriver@fws.gov. Include "Columbia NWR CCP Scoping Comments" in the subject line of the message. If you would like to be added to the refuge's CCP mailing list, please include your mailing address and specify whether you want to receive a hard copy or CD-ROM of the draft and final plans.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randy Hill, Columbia National Wildlife Refuge, telephone (509) 488-2668.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Wildlife Refuge System (Refuge System) Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd-668ee),

requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge and to update it every 15 years. The purpose of developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the Refuge System consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and our policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction for conserving refuge wildlife and habitats, we also identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public that are compatible with the refuge's establishing purposes and the mission of the Refuge System. These opportunities include hunting, fishing, wildlife observation and photography, environmental education and interpretation.

We will prepare an EA in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); NEPA Regulations (40 CFR parts 1500-1508); other appropriate Federal laws and regulations; and our policies and procedures for compliance with those laws and regulations.

Each unit of the Refuge System is established to fulfill specific purposes. We use these purposes to develop and prioritize management goals and objectives within the Refuge System mission and to guide which public uses will occur on a refuge.

Public Involvement

As part of the CCP planning process, we will provide opportunities for the public, refuge neighbors, interested individuals and organizations, Tribes, elected officials, and local, State, and Federal government and nongovernment stakeholders and partners to participate in our planning process. At this time, we are requesting input in the form of issues, concerns, ideas and suggestions for the future management of the Columbia Refuge.