

e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Emergency Homeowners' Loan Program—Required Data Elements Collection.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2502–0597.

*Form Numbers:* 96020–EHL P, 96025a–EHL P, 96025b–EHL P, 96022–EHL P, 96023a–EHL P, 96023b–EHL P, 96026–EHL P.

*Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use:* HUD is implementing a mortgage relief program entitled the Emergency Homeowners Loan Program. The program will offer a declining balance, deferred payment “bridge loan” (non-recourse, subordinate loan with zero interest) for up to \$50,000 to assist eligible homeowners with payments of arrearages, including mortgages, delinquent taxes, insurance premiums, condominium or homeowners

association fees; late fees; and certain foreclosure-related attorney’s fee. In addition to payment of arrearages, EHL P funds may also be used to assist eligible homeowners to make up to 24 months of mortgage payments on their mortgage principal, interest, taxes and insurance (PITI), as well as condominium/homeowner association fees, as applicable.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	Burden hours
Reporting Burden .....	36,264	5.915		0.753	161,548

*Total Estimated Burden Hours:* 161,548.

*Status:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Authority:* Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: August 18, 2011.

**Colette Pollard,**

*Departmental Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement**

[Docket ID No. BOEM–2011–0076]

**Information Collection Activity: Prospecting for Minerals Other Than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf, Revision of a Collection; Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement (BOEMRE), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), BOEMRE is inviting comments on a collection of information that we will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request (ICR) concerns the paperwork requirements in the regulations under, Prospecting for Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf (OMB No. 1010–0072), and in particular, we are revising BOEMRE Form 0134 to adapt to new

advances in technology (digital options) and clarifying requirements for environmental compliance.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by October 24, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cheryl Blundon, Regulations and Standards Branch at (703) 787–1607. You may also contact Cheryl Blundon to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations and the form that requires the subject collection of information.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by either of the following methods listed below.

- *Electronically:* go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the entry titled “Enter Keyword or ID,” enter BOEM–2011–0076 then click search. Follow the instructions to submit public comments and view supporting and related materials. BOEMRE will post all comments.

- E-mail [cheryl.blundon@boemre.gov](mailto:cheryl.blundon@boemre.gov). Mail or hand-carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement; Attention: Cheryl Blundon; 381 Elden Street, MS–4024; Herndon, Virginia 20170–4817. Please reference ICR 1010–0072 in your comment and include your name and return address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* 30 CFR Part 280, Prospecting for Minerals Other than Oil, Gas, and Sulphur on the Outer Continental Shelf. *BOEMRE Form(s):* 0134.

*OMB Control Number:* 1010–0072. *Abstract:* The Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Lands Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1331 *et seq.* and 43 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to prescribe rules and regulations to administer leasing of mineral resources on the OCS. An amendment to the OCS Lands Act (Pub. L. 103–426) authorizes the Secretary to negotiate agreements (in

lieu of the previously required competitive bidding process) for the use of OCS sand, gravel, and shell resources for certain specified types of public uses. The specified uses will support construction of governmental projects for beach nourishment, shore protection, and wetlands enhancement; or any project authorized by the Federal Government.

Section 1340 states that “\* \* \* any person authorized by the Secretary may conduct geological and geophysical [G&G] explorations in the Outer Continental Shelf, which do not interfere with or endanger actual operations under any lease maintained or granted pursuant to this Act, and which are not unduly harmful to aquatic life in such area.”

Section 1352 further requires that certain costs be reimbursed to the parties submitting required G&G information and data. Permittees are to be reimbursed costs of reproducing any G&G data required to be submitted and for the reasonable cost of processing geophysical information required to be submitted when processing is in a form or manner required by the Director and is not used in the normal conduct of the business of the permittee. Regulations implementing these responsibilities are in 30 CFR part 280. The Independent Offices Appropriations Act (31 U.S.C. 9701), the Omnibus Appropriations Bill (Pub. L. 104–133, 110 Stat. 1321, April 26, 1996), and the OMB Circular A–25, authorize Federal agencies to recover the full cost of services that confer special benefits. Prospecting permits are subject to cost recovery under Department of the Interior’s implementing policy, and BOEMRE regulations specify service fees for these requests.

We use the information: (1) To ensure there is no environmental degradation, personal harm or unsafe operations and

conditions; (2) the activities do not damage historical or archaeological sites or interfere with other uses; (3) to analyze and evaluate preliminary or planned drilling activities; (4) to monitor progress and activities in the OCS; (5) to acquire G&G data and information collected under a Federal permit offshore; (6) to determine eligibility for reimbursement from the Government for certain costs; and (7) to determine the qualifications of applicants. BOEMRE also uses the information collected to understand the G&G characteristics of hard mineral-bearing physiographic regions of the OCS.

We will protect information considered proprietary according to 30 CFR 280.70, "What data and information will be protected from public disclosure?", 30 CFR 250.197, "Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection," 30 CFR part 252, "OCS Oil and Gas Information Program," and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR 2). No items of a sensitive nature are collected. Responses are mandatory.

*Frequency:* On occasion; and as required in the permit.

*Description of Respondents:* Permittee(s).

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:* The currently approved annual reporting burden for this collection is 116 hours. The following chart details the individual components and respective hour burden estimates of this ICR. In calculating the burdens, we assumed that respondents perform certain requirements in the normal course of their activities. We consider these to be usual and customary and took that into account in estimating the burden.

Citation 30 CFR part 280	Reporting and recordkeeping requirements	Hour burden
		Non-hour cost burden
<b>Subpart B</b>		
10; 11(a); 12; 13; Permit Form .....	Apply for permit (BOEMRE Form 0134) to conduct prospecting or G&G scientific research activities, including prospecting/scientific research plan and environmental assessment or required drilling plan.	8
		\$2,012
11(b); 12(c) .....	File notice to conduct scientific research activities related to hard minerals, including notice to BOEMRE prior to beginning and after concluding activities.	8
<b>Subpart C</b>		
21(a) .....	Report to BOEMRE if hydrocarbon/other mineral occurrences or environmental hazards are detected or adverse effects occur.	1
22 .....	Request approval to modify operations .....	1
23(b) .....	Request reimbursement for expenses for BOEMRE inspection .....	1
24 .....	Submit status and final reports on specified schedule .....	8
28 .....	Request relinquishment of permit .....	1
31(b); 73 .....	Governor(s) of adjacent State(s) submissions to BOEMRE: Comments on activities involving an environmental assessment; request for proprietary data, information, and samples; and disclosure agreement.	1
33, 34 .....	Appeal penalty, order, or decision—burden exempt under 5 CFR 1320.4(a)(2), (c).	
<b>Subpart D</b>		
40; 41; 50; 51; Permit Form .....	Notify BOEMRE and submit G&G data/information collected under a permit and/or processed by permittees or 3rd parties, including reports, logs or charts, results, analyses, descriptions, etc.	4
42(b); 52(b) .....	Advise 3rd party recipient of obligations. Part of licensing agreement between parties; no submission to BOEMRE.	1/3
42(c), 42(d); 52(c), 52(d) .....	Notify BOEMRE of 3rd party transactions .....	1
60; 61(a) .....	Request reimbursement for costs of reproducing data/information and certain processing costs.	1
72(b) .....	Submit in not less than 5 days comments on BOEMRE intent to disclose data/information.	1
72(d) .....	Contractor submits written commitment not to sell, trade, license, or disclose data/information.	1
<b>General</b>		
Part 280 .....	General departure and alternative compliance requests not specifically covered elsewhere in part 280 regulations.	2
Permit Form .....	Request extension of permit time period .....	1
Permit Form .....	Retain G&G data/information for 10 years and make available to BOEMRE upon request.	1

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Non-Hour Cost Burden:*

We have identified one non-hour paperwork cost burden for this

collection. There is a \$2,012 permit application fee.

*Comments:* Before submitting an ICR to OMB, PRA section 3506(c)(2)(A) requires each agency “\* \* \* to provide notice \* \* \* and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information \* \* \*”. Agencies must specifically solicit comments to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary, including whether the information is useful; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden on the respondents. Agencies must also estimate the non-hour paperwork cost burdens to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. Therefore, if you have costs to generate, maintain, and disclose this information, you should comment and provide your total capital and startup cost components or annual operation, maintenance, and purchase of service components. You should not include estimates for equipment or services purchased: (i) Before October 1, 1995; (ii) to comply with requirements not associated with the information collection; (iii) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the Government; or (iv) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.

We will summarize written responses to this notice and address them in our submission for OMB approval. As a result of your comments, we will make any necessary adjustments to the burden in our submission to OMB.

*Public Comment Procedures:* Before including your address, phone number, email 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.

*BOEMRE Information Collection Clearance Officer:* Arlene Bajusz (703) 787-1025.

Dated: August 16, 2011.

**Doug Slitor,**

*Acting Chief, Office of Offshore Regulatory Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R9-IA-2011-N173; 96300-1671-0000-P5]

#### Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permit

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activities. The ESA law requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

**DATES:** We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before September 23, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358-2280; or e-mail [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2280 (fax); [DMAFR@fws.gov](mailto:DMAFR@fws.gov) (e-mail).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Public Comment Procedures

*A. How do I request copies of applications or comment on submitted applications?*

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an e-mail or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

*B. May I review comments submitted by others?*

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the address listed under **ADDRESSES**. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. 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.

##### II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), requires that we invite public comment before final action on these permit applications.

##### III. Permit Applications

###### A. Endangered Species

*Applicant:* Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, Fish and Wildlife Research Institute, St. Petersburg, FL; PRT-758093

The applicant requests reissuance of their permit to import biological samples taken from hawksbill sea turtle (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) collected in the wild in Panama and Bermuda, for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

*Applicant:* Thomas McCarthy, New York, NY; PRT-50258A

The applicant requests a permit to import biological samples taken from snow leopards (*Uncia uncia*) in the wild in Mongolia for the purpose of