

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are reopening the comment period for our March 8, 2016, notice that announced proposed revisions to the Service Mitigation Policy. This action will allow interested persons additional time to comment on the proposed revisions. Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted as they will be fully considered in preparation of the final policy.

DATES: We will accept comments from all interested parties until June 13, 2016. Please note that if you are using the Federal eRulemaking Portal (see **ADDRESSES**, below), the deadline for submitting an electronic comment is 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on this date.

ADDRESSES: Document Review: The draft policy is available for review at <http://www.regulations.gov>, under docket number FWS-HQ-ES-2015-0126.

General Comments: You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the Search box, enter the Docket number for the proposed policy, which is FWS-HQ-ES-2015-0126. You may enter a comment by clicking on the "Comment Now!" button. Please ensure that you have found the correct document before submitting your comment.

- **U.S. mail or hand delivery:** Public Comments Processing, Attn: Docket No. FWS-HQ-ES-2015-0126; Division of Policy, Performance and Management; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 5275 Leesburg Pike, MS: BPHC; Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

We will post all comments on <http://www.regulations.gov>. This generally means that we will post any personal information you provide us (see Public Comments, below, for more information).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jason Miller, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Branch of Conservation Planning Assistance, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803; telephone 703-358-1756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Public Comments

We will accept written comments during this reopened comment period on our notice announcing proposed revisions to the Service Mitigation Policy that published in the **Federal Register** on March 8, 2016 (81 FR 12380). We will consider comments and information that we receive from all interested parties on or before the close of the comment period (see **DATES**).

If you have already submitted comments during the public comment period that began March 8, 2016, please do not resubmit them. We have incorporated them into the public record, and we will fully consider them in the preparation of our final policy.

You may submit your comments by one of the methods listed in **ADDRESSES**. We request that you send comments only by the methods described in **ADDRESSES**.

If you submit a comment via <http://www.regulations.gov>, your entire comment—including any personal identifying information—will be posted on the Web site. We will post all hardcopy comments on <http://www.regulations.gov> as well. If you submit a hardcopy comment that includes personal identifying information, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Background

On March 8, 2016, we published a notice (81 FR 12380) announcing proposed revisions to our Mitigation Policy (January 23, 1981; 46 FR 7644-7663). The revisions were motivated by changes in conservation challenges and practices since 1981, including accelerating loss of habitats, effects of climate change, and advances in conservation science. The revised policy provides a framework for applying a landscape-scale approach to achieve, through application of the mitigation hierarchy, a net gain in conservation outcomes, or at a minimum, no net loss of resources and their values, services, and functions resulting from proposed actions. The primary intent of the policy is to apply mitigation in a strategic manner that ensures an effective linkage with conservation strategies at appropriate landscape scales.

The revised policy integrates all authorities that allow the Service to recommend or require mitigation of impacts to federal trust fish and wildlife resources, and other resources identified in statute, during development processes. It is intended to serve as a single umbrella policy under which the Service may issue more detailed policies or guidance documents covering specific activities in the future.

Our March 8, 2016, notice stated that we would accept comments on the proposed revisions to our Mitigation Policy for 60 days, ending May 9, 2016. During the course of the comment period on the notice, we received requests to extend the public comment period. In order to provide all interested

parties an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed revisions, we are reopening the comment period on the proposed revisions until the date specified in **DATES**.

Authority

The multiple authorities for this action include the: Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*); Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, as amended, (16 U.S.C. 661-667(e)); National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); and others identified in section 2 and Appendix A of the proposed policy (81 FR 12380).

Dated: May 6, 2016.

James W. Kurth,

Acting Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[Docket No. FWS-R8-NWRS-2016-0063; FXRS1261080000-167-FF08R00000]

Lower Klamath, Clear Lake, Tule Lake, Upper Klamath, and Bear Valley National Wildlife Refuges, Klamath County, OR; Siskiyou and Modoc Counties, CA: Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan/Environmental Impact Statement; Correction

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments; correction.

SUMMARY: On May 6, 2016, we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announced the availability of a Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan (CCP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for Lower Klamath, Clear Lake, Tule Lake, Upper Klamath, and Bear Valley National Wildlife Refuges (Refuges) for review and comment. In one instance, we printed the incorrect docket number for interested parties to use to submit comments. The correct docket number is FWS-R8-NWRS-2016-0063. With this notice, we correct that error.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Klamath Refuge Planner, (916) 414-6464 (phone).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of May 6, 2016 (81 FR 27468; FR Doc. 2016-10717), in the second column of page 27468 in the **ADDRESSES** section, correct the docket number from "FWS-R8-R-2016-0063" to "FWS-R8-NWRS-2016-0063."

Dated: May 9, 2016.

Tina A. Campbell,

Chief, Division of Policy, Performance, and Management Programs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

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Exclusive Licenses

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent to grant an exclusive license.

SUMMARY: The Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Geological Survey intends to grant to Williamson and Associates, 1124 NW 53rd ST, Seattle, WA 98107, an exclusive license to practice the following: A system and method, to utilize induced polarization to locate and detect minerals, and oil plumes below the surface water.

DATES: Comments must be received fifteen (15) days from the effective date of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Benjamin Henry, Technology Enterprise Specialist, Office of Policy and Analysis, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Dr., MS 153, Reston, VA 20192, 703-648-4344.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: It is in the public interest to license this invention, as Williamson and Associates, submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within fifteen (15) days from the date of this published Notice, the U.S. Geological Survey Office of Policy & Analysis receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Katherine McCulloch,

Deputy Associate Director for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

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Notice of Proposed Information Collection; Request for Comments for 1029-0089

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) is announcing that the information collection request for the Exemption for Coal Extraction Incidental to the Extraction of Other Minerals, has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before June 13, 2016, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Department of the Interior Desk Officer, via email at *OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov*, or by facsimile to (202) 395-5806. Also, please send a copy of your comments to John Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave. NW., Room 203—SIB, Washington, DC 20240, or electronically to *jtrelease@osmre.gov*. Please reference 1029-0089 in your correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection request contact John Trelease at (202) 208-2783, or electronically at *jtrelease@osmre.gov*. You may also review the information collection request online at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Follow the instructions to review Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), 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)]. OSMRE has

submitted a request to OMB to renew its approval for the collection of information found at 30 CFR part 702—Exemption for Coal Extraction Incidental to the Extraction of Other Minerals. OSMRE is requesting a 3-year term of approval for this collection.

An agency 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 OMB control number for this collection of information is 1029-0089 and is displayed at 30 CFR 702.10.

As required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), a **Federal Register** notice soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on February 16, 2016 (81 FR 7829). No comments were received. This notice provides the public with an additional 30 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity:

Title: 30 CFR part 702—Exemption for Coal Extraction Incidental to the Extraction of Other Minerals.

OMB Control Number: 1029-0089.

Summary: This Part implements the requirement in Section 701(28) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA), which grants an exemption from the requirements of SMCRA to operators extracting not more than 16 2/3 percentage tonnage of coal incidental to the extraction of other minerals. This information will be used by the regulatory authorities to make that determination.

Bureau Form Number: None.

Frequency of Collection: Once and annually thereafter.

Description of Respondents:

Producers of coal and other minerals, and State regulatory authorities.

Total Annual Responses: 127.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 396.

Total Non-wage Costs: \$600.

Obligation to Respond: Required in order to obtain or retain benefits.

Send comments on the need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information, to the offices listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Please refer to OMB control number 1029-0089 in all correspondence.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that