

As a voluntary program, P25 CAP allows suppliers to publicly attest to their products' compliance with a selected group of requirements through Summary Test Report (STR) and Supplier's Declaration of Compliance (SDOC) documents based on the Detailed Test Report (DTR) from the DHS-recognized laboratory (ies) that performed the product testing. In turn, P25 CAP makes these documents available to the first response community to inform their purchasing decisions via the *FirstResponder.gov/P25CAP* Web site.

Membership

The Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) of DHS formed the P25 CAP Advisory Panel to provide S&T with the views of active State, local, tribal, territorial and Federal government officials who use or whose offices use portable handheld and mobile vehicle-mounted radios. Those government officials selected to participate in the P25 CAP AP are selected based on their experience with the management and procurement of land mobile radio systems or knowledge of conformity assessment programs and methods. The OIC selection process balances viewpoints required to effectively address P25 CAP issues under consideration. To fill an open position on the P25 CAP AP, OIC is particularly interested in receiving nominations and expressions of interest from individuals in the following categories:

- State, local, tribal, or territorial government agencies and organizations with expertise in communications issues and technologies.
- Federal government agencies with expertise in communications or homeland security matters.

While OIC can call for a meeting of the P25 CAP AP as it deems necessary and appropriate, for member commitment and planning purposes, it is anticipated that the P25 CAP AP will meet approximately 3–4 times annually in their role of providing guidance and support to the P25 CAP.

Those selected to serve on the P25 CAP AP will be required to sign a gratuitous services agreement and will not be paid or reimbursed for their participation; however, DHS S&T will, subject to the availability of funds, reimburse the travel expenses associated with the participation of non-Federal members in accordance with Federal Travel Regulations. The OIC reserves the right to select primary and alternate members to the P25 CAP AP for terms appropriate for the accomplishment of

the Board's mission. Members serve at the pleasure of the OIC Director.

Registered lobbyists pursuant to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 are not eligible for membership on the P25 CAP AP and will not be considered.

Roles and Responsibilities

The duties of the P25 CAP AP will include providing recommendations of its individual members to OIC regarding actions and steps OIC could take to promote the P25 CAP. The duties of the P25 CAP AP may include but are not limited to its members reviewing, commenting on, and advising on:

- The laboratory component of the P25 CAP under established, documented laboratory recognition guidelines.
- Proposed Compliance Assessment Bulletins (CABs).
- Proposed updates to previously approved CABs, as Notices of Proposed CABs, to enable comment and input on the proposed CAB modifications.
- OIC updates to existing test documents or establishing new test documents for new types of P25 equipment.
- Best practices associated with improvement of the policies and procedures by which the P25 CAP operates.
- Existing test documents including but not limited to Supplier Declarations of Compliance (SDOCs) and Summary Test Reports (STRs) posted on the *FirstResponder.gov/P25CAP* Web site.
- Proposed P25 user input for improving functionality through the standards-making process.

Nominations/Expressions of Interest Procedures and Deadline

Nominations and expressions of interest shall be received by OIC no later than 30 days from the date of this notice at the address: (*SandTFRC@hq.dhs.gov*). Nominations and expressions of interest received after this date shall not be considered. Each nomination and expression of interest must provide the following information as part of the submission:

- A cover letter that highlights a history of proven leadership within the public safety community including, if applicable, a description of prior experience with law enforcement, fire response, emergency medical services, emergency communications, National Guard, or other first responder roles and how the use of communications in those roles qualifies the nominee to participate on the P25 CAP AP.
- Name, title, and organization of the nominee.
- A résumé summarizing the nominee's contact information

(including the mailing address, phone number, facsimile number, and email address), qualifications, and expertise to explain why the nominee should be appointed to the P25 CAP AP.

- The résumé must demonstrate a minimum of ten years (10) years of experience directly using P25 systems in an operational environment in support of established public safety communications or from a system implementer/administrator perspective; a bachelor's or associate degree with an emphasis in communications and engineering may be substituted for three (3) years, a master's/professional certification for seven (7) years, and a Ph.D. for ten (10) years of the requirement.

- The resume must discuss the nominee's familiarity with the current P25 CAP, including documents that are integral to the process such as the SDOCs, STRs, and CABs referenced in this notice.

- A letter from the nominee's supervisor indicating the nominee's agency's support for the nominee to participate on the P25 CAP AP as a representative from their respective agency.

- Disclosure of Federal boards, commissions, committees, task forces, or work groups on which the nominee currently serves or has served within the past 12 months.

- A statement confirming that the nominee is not registered as a lobbyist pursuant to the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995.

Additional information can be found as follows: Project 25 Compliance Assessment Program and Compliance Assessment Bulletins <http://www.dhs.gov/science-and-technology/p25-cap>.

Dated: June 6, 2016.

Reginald Brothers,
Under Secretary, DHS Science and Technology Directorate.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5907–N–24]

Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and

surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for use to assist the homeless.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Juanita Perry, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 7266, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 402-3970; TTY number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565 (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 800-927-7588.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In accordance with 24 CFR part 581 and section 501 of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11411), as amended, HUD is publishing this Notice to identify Federal buildings and other real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless. The properties were reviewed using information provided to HUD by Federal landholding agencies regarding unutilized and underutilized buildings and real property controlled by such agencies or by GSA regarding its inventory of excess or surplus Federal property. This Notice is also published in order to comply with the December 12, 1988 Court Order in *National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration*, No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.).

Properties reviewed are listed in this Notice according to the following categories: Suitable/available, suitable/unavailable, and suitable/to be excess, and unsuitable. The properties listed in the three suitable categories have been reviewed by the landholding agencies, and each agency has transmitted to HUD: (1) Its intention to make the property available for use to assist the homeless, (2) its intention to declare the property excess to the agency's needs, or (3) a statement of the reasons that the property cannot be declared excess or made available for use as facilities to assist the homeless.

Properties listed as suitable/available will be available exclusively for homeless use for a period of 60 days from the date of this Notice. Where property is described as for "off-site use only" recipients of the property will be required to relocate the building to their own site at their own expense. Homeless assistance providers interested in any such property should send a written expression of interest to HHS, addressed to: Ms. Theresa M. Ritta, Chief Real Property Branch, the Department of Health and Human Services, Room 5B-17, Parklawn Building, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, (301) 443-2265 (This is not a toll-free number). HHS will mail to the

interested provider an application packet, which will include instructions for completing the application. In order to maximize the opportunity to utilize a suitable property, providers should submit their written expressions of interest as soon as possible. For complete details concerning the processing of applications, the reader is encouraged to refer to the interim rule governing this program, 24 CFR part 581.

For properties listed as suitable/to be excess, that property may, if subsequently accepted as excess by GSA, be made available for use by the homeless in accordance with applicable law, subject to screening for other Federal use. At the appropriate time, HUD will publish the property in a Notice showing it as either suitable/available or suitable/unavailable.

For properties listed as suitable/unavailable, the landholding agency has decided that the property cannot be declared excess or made available for use to assist the homeless, and the property will not be available.

Properties listed as unsuitable will not be made available for any other purpose for 20 days from the date of this Notice. Homeless assistance providers interested in a review by HUD of the determination of unsuitability should call the toll free information line at 1-800-927-7588 for detailed instructions or write a letter to Ann Marie Oliva at the address listed at the beginning of this Notice. Included in the request for review should be the property address (including zip code), the date of publication in the **Federal Register**, the landholding agency, and the property number.

For more information regarding particular properties identified in this Notice (*i.e.*, acreage, floor plan, existing sanitary facilities, exact street address), providers should contact the appropriate landholding agencies at the following addresses: AIR FORCE: Mr. Robert E. Moriarty, P.E., AFCEC/CI, 2261 Hughes Avenue, Ste. 155, JBSA Lackland TX 78236-9853; ARMY: Ms. Veronica Rines, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management, Department of Army, Room 5A128, 600 Army Pentagon, Washington, DC 20310, (571) 256-8145 (These are not toll-free numbers).

Dated: June 2, 2016.

Brian P. Fitzmaurice,

Director, Division of Community Assistance, Office of Special Needs Assistance Programs.

TITLE V, FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM FEDERAL REGISTER REPORT FOR 06/10/2016

Suitable/Available Properties

Building

Alabama

4 Buildings
Bldg. 30815 AL 85 Peters St.
Doleville AL 36362
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620022
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 4011T:RPUID:186097 (720 sq.);
414:RPUID:186545 (288 sq.);
30815:RPUID:671439 (144 sq.); 4513:
RPUID:186563 (400 sq.)
Comments: Off-site removal only; no future agency need 24+-47+ yrs. old; sq. ft. above; storage; rec shelter; flam mat; 1+-6+ mos. vacant; poor & fair condition; contact Army for more information.

Colorado

Building R005F
Range 5 Specker Avenue
Fort Carson CO 80913
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620003
Status: Unutilized
Comments: off-site removal only; 13+ yrs. old; 800 sq. ft.; storage; 6+ mos. vacant; repairs required; contact Army for more information.
6 Buildings
Fort Carson
Fort Carson CO 80913
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620014
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 02554:RPUID:572361 (22,441 sq.);
02552:RPUID:591052 (22,441 sq.);
01950:RPUID:606520 (11,819 sq.);
01954:RPUID:583977 (22,386 sq.);
01951:RPUID:576840 (22,386 sq.);
02551:RPUID:576791 (22,441 sq.)
Comments: off-site removal only; 38+-42+yrs. old; sq. ft. above; barracks; 2+mos. vacant; repairs required; contact Army for more information.

Georgia

5 Buildings
Fort Benning
Fort Benning GA 31905
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620006
Status: Unutilized
Directions: Building 00485:RPUID:281444 (148 sq.); 08848:RPUID:282680 (288 sq.);
08830:RPUID:282664; (288 sq.)
08020:RPUID:282782; (192 sq.);
04022:RPUID:1006195 (144 sq.)
Comments: off-site removal only; 7+-74+ yrs. old; veh; toil/shower; storage; poor conditions; contact Army for more information.

Kentucky

2 Buildings
Fort Campbell

Fort Campbell KY 42223
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620004
 Status: Underutilized
 Directions: A0127: RPUID: 582404 (400 sq. ft.); B0127: RPUID: 320594 (783 sq. ft.)
 Comments: 25+—27+ yrs. old; heating plant; refrig/AC building; fair condition; prior approval needed to gain access; contact Army for more information.

Missouri

Building 319A
 Intersection of Headquarters and Illonoise Ave.
 Fort Leonard Wood MO 65473
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620023
 Status: Unutilized
 Directions: RPUID: 1239157
 Comments: 4+ yrs. old; 384 sq. ft.; recreation; adequate condition; contact Army for more information.

Oklahoma

7 Buildings
 Fort Sill
 Fort Sill OK 73503
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620020
 Status: Unutilized
 Directions: 3336 (8,883 sq.); 1620 (800 sq.); 2598 (3,670 sq.); 2599 (3,670 sq.); 1608 (108 sq.); 3602 (8,883 sq.); 4744 (2,108 sq.)
 Comments: off-site removal only; no future agency need; 21+—82+ yrs. old; sq. ft. above; warehouse; admin.; toilet/shower; instruction bldg.; 6+ mos. vacant; contact Army for more information.

Virginia

Building 9046
 Battle Drive in the Marine Complex Area
 Fort Lee VA 23801
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620024
 Status: Unutilized
 Comments: 39+ yrs. old; 120 sq. ft.; storage; 3+ mos. vacant; poor condition; contact Army for more information.

Unsuitable Properties

Building

Alabama

6 Buildings
 Anniston Army Depot
 Anniston AL 36207
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620009
 Status: Unutilized
 Directions: Building 00072: RPUID: 235554; 0027A: RPUID: 235396; 00663: RPUID: 234486; 00198: RPUID: 237626; 00656: RPUID: 237503; 00602: RPUID: 237280
 Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.
 Reasons: Secured Area

5 Buildings

Military Ocean Terminal Concord
 Concord AL 94520
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620018

Status: Unutilized
 Directions: 00350: RPUID: 95946; 00352: RPUID: 959488; 00100: RPUID: 959345; 00262: RPUID: 1039404; 00283: RPUID: 959484

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Building 30908
 Bldg. 30908 AL 85 Specker St.
 Daleville AL 36362
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620021
 Status: Unutilized
 Directions: RPUID: 598532

Comments: property located within an airport runway clear zone or military airfield.

Reasons: Within airport runway clear zone
 California

Defense Distribution San Joaquin #1; 26500 S. Chrisman Road
 Tracy CA 95304

Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620008
 Status: Unutilized

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

6 Buildings

Sierra Army Depot
 Herlong CA 96113
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620010
 Status: Unutilized

Directions: 00180: RPUID: 197379; 00182: RPUID: 197381; 00319: RPUID: 197415; 00176: RPUID: 197375; 0179: RPUID: 197378; 00181: RPUID: 197380

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

8 Buildings

Sierra Army Depot
 Herlong CA 96113
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620011
 Status: Unutilized

Directions: 00019: RPUID: 200744; 00018: RPUID: 200743; 00016: RPUID: 200741; 00015: RPUID: 200740; 00025: RPUID: 200750; 00024: RPUID: 200749; 00022: RPUID: 200747; 00021: RPUID: 200746

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

5 Buildings

Military Ocean Terminal Concord
 Military Ocean Termin CA 94520
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620012
 Status: Unutilized
 Directions: Building 00E61: RPUID: 959953; 00A31: RPUID: 1039399; 00S51: RPUID: 960038; 00S45: RPUID: 960035;

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

00IA2: RPUID: 1039398
 Military Ocean Terminal Concord
 Concord CA 94520

Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620016
 Status: Unutilized

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

4 Buildings

5604 Exercise Street
 Dublin CA 94568
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620026
 Status: Unutilized

Directions: 985: RPUID: 376808; 986: RPUID: 376809; 987: RPUID: 376810; 984: RPUID: 376807

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Colorado

2 Buildings

Fort Carson
 Fort Carson CO 80913
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620002
 Status: Unutilized

Directions: Building 00300 & 00301

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security; property located within floodway, which has not been correct or contained.

Reasons: Secured Area

Georgia

Savannah HHIAP
 Fac. 1907 & 1914 XDQU
 1401 Robert B. Miller Dr.
 Garden City GA
 Landholding Agency: Air Force
 Property Number: 18201620010
 Status: Underutilized

Comments: public access denied and no alternative without compromising national security

Reasons: Secured Area

2 Buildings

Fort Benning
 Fort Benning GA 31905
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620007
 Status: Excess

Directions: Building 02831: RPUID: 282470 & 02836: RPUID: 282475

Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area

Illinois

3 Buildings
 Rock Island Arsenal
 Rock Island IL 61299
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620015
 Status: Underutilized
 Directions: 0030G: RPUID: 366331; 31: RPUID: 610280; 30: RPUID: 610255

Comments: property located within floodway, which has not been correct or contained.
Reasons: Floodway

Kentucky
10 Buildings
Porter River Road
Fort Knox KY 40121
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620028
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 9606:RPUID:310162;
9475:RPUID:286869; 9322:RPUID:182117;
9679:RPUID:309686; 9395:RPUID:293399;
9676:RPUID:286480; 9353:RPUID:310217;
9671:RPUID:1104885; 9342:RPUID:309470;
9660:RPUID:308904
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.
Reasons: Secured Area

10 Buildings
Main Range Road
Fort Knox KY 40121
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620029
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 9282:RPUID:286483;
9240:RPUID:286705; 9284:RPUID:309690;
9241:RPUID:309683; 9290:RPUID:309737;
9242:RPUID:310425; 9234:RPUID:310217;
9258:RPUID:309480; 9265:RPUID:309473;
9235:RPUID:310418
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.
Reasons: Secured Area

13 Buildings
Ft. Knox
Ft. Knox KY 40121
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620036
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 9697 (310446); 9701 (310071);
9702 (310072); 9704 (309327); 9751
(178549); 9682 (309486); 9684 (310449);
9685 (309485); 9686 (309483); 9687
(309484); 9694 (310043); 9695 (310444);
9696 (310445)
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
Reasons: Secured Area

Maryland
6 Buildings
Aberdeen Proving Ground
APG MD 21010
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620031
Status: Unutilized
Directions: E5181 (235839); E4655 (235019);
E6882 (234049); E5286 (236064); E5920
(237899); E3966 (237859)
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
Reasons: Secured Area

10 Buildings
Aberdeen Proving Ground
APG MD 21010
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620032
Status: Unutilized
Directions: E3965 (237858); E2300 (236780);
E3334 (225912); E3335 (225913); E3346
(225915); E3508 (236906); E3727 (237181);
E3860 (237205); E3951 (237844); E3955
(237848)
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
Reasons: Secured Area

10 Buildings
Aberdeen Proving Ground
APG MD 21010
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620033
Status: Unutilized
Directions: E1421 (230356); E1425 (230360);
5608E (233610); E1467 (231217); 1128
(230958); 1149A (233364); 1169 (231805);
4303 (230771); 4725 (231020); E1406
(230345)
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
Reasons: Secured Area

10 Buildings
Aberdeen Proving Ground
APG MD 21005
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620034
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 1076B(1197700); 1101A
(2333334); 714D (231385); 718 (233262);
783 (229636); 852A (232469); 798 (229642);
806 (229846); 807 (229847); 808 (229848)
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
Reasons: Secured Area

10 Buildings
Aberdeen Proving Ground
APG MD 21005
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620035
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 303 (233151); 312 (957898); 335A
(233192); 347A (229683); 457 (231108); 526
(232983); 527 (232984); 700h (251369);
00036 (232287); 279 (233148)
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
Reasons: Secured Area

E5950 (RPUID:237908)
Callahan St.
Aberdeen Proving Ground
APG MD 21010
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620038
Status: Unutilized
Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
Reasons: Secured Area

Massachusetts
2 Buildings
Soldier Systems Center Natick
Natick MA 01760
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620013
Status: Underutilized
Directions: T0024:RPUID:206927 &
T0025:RPUID:206928
Comments: Public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area
New York
Building 697
697 Washington Road
West Point NY 10996
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620030
Status: Unutilized
Comments: Documented deficiencies:
extensive structural damage; wall coming apart; bricks are dislodged which may cause the building to collapse; located on a landfill.
Reasons: Extensive deterioration

North Carolina
12 Buildings
Fort Bragg
Fort Bragg NC 28310
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620001
Status: Underutilized
Directions: D2609:RPUID:577998;
D2815:RPUID:614614;
D3225:RPUID:594582;
D3637:RPUID:586751;
E1739:RPUID:605961;
N5204:RPUID:304497;
D2509:RPUID:597728;
D2212:RPUID:604181;
D2211:RPUID:297376; D2113:
RPUID:584535; D2111:RPUID:611859;
D1911:RPUID:604178
Comments: Public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.
Reasons: Secured Area

2 Buildings
Fort Bragg
Fort Bragg NC 28310
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620005
Status: Unutilized
Directions: Building D2105 & 280
Comments: Public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.
Reasons: Secured Area

South Carolina
Building 5715
5715 Imboden Street
Fort Jackson SC 29207
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620025
Status: Unutilized
Directions: RPUID:308163
Comments: Public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.
Reasons: Secured Area

8 Buildings
2545 ESSAYONS WAY
Fort Jackson SC 29207
Landholding Agency: Army
Property Number: 21201620027
Status: Unutilized
Directions: 2557:RPUID:308587;
2545:RPUID:310534; 2539:RPUID:310640;
12625:RPUID:604053; 2584:RPUID:180421;
2561:RPUID:310641; 4475:RPUID:307769;
2548:RPUID:308585;
Comments: Public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.

Reasons: Secured Area
 5713(RPUID: 308428)
 Imoden St.
 Ft. Jackson SC 29207
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620037
 Status: Unutilized
 Comments: public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security
 Reasons: Secured Area

Unsuitable Properties

Land

Alabama
 5 Buildings
 Ft. McClellan
 Alexandria AL 36250
 Landholding Agency: Army
 Property Number: 21201620017
 Status: Unutilized
 Directions: R8434:RPUID:299453;
 R8437:RPUID:303405;
 C1395:RPUID:175953;
 C1312:RPUID:299704;
 C1320:RPUID:176206
 Comments: Public access denied and no alternative method to gain access without compromising national security.
 Reasons: Secured Area

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R7-R-2016-N099; FF07RKDK00-FVRS80810700000-XXX]

Information Collection Request Sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval; Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge Bear Viewing Survey

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

SUMMARY: We (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) have sent an Information Collection Request (ICR) to OMB for review and approval. We summarize the ICR below and describe the nature of the collection and the estimated burden and cost. 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 11, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments and suggestions on this information collection to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at OMB-OIRA at (202) 395-5806 (fax) or *OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov* (email).

Please provide a copy of your comments to the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS BPHC, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803 (mail), or *hope_grey@fws.gov* (email). Please include "1018-Kodiak bear viewing" in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Hope Grey at *hope_grey@fws.gov* (email) or 703-358-2482 (telephone). You may review the ICR online at *http://www.reginfo.gov*. Follow the instructions to review Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Information Collection Request

OMB Control Number: 1018-XXXX.
Title: Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge Bear Viewing Survey.
Service Form Number: None.
Type of Request: Request for a new OMB control number.
Description of Respondents: Visitors to Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge who come for the purpose of viewing bears.
Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.
Frequency of Collection: One time.

Activity	Number of responses	Completion time per response (minutes)	Total annual burden hours
Initial Contact	1,520	2	51
Online Survey	730	15	183
Totals	2,250	234

Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost: None.

Abstract: The Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge has partnered with Utah State University to conduct a public survey of visitors to the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge who participate in bear viewing at structured and unstructured sites. Questions will address logistical aspects of bear viewing (including the amount of money visitors are willing to spend on viewing and amenities), satisfaction with current experiences (based on number of bears, density of other visitors, length of stay, and education received), and reported changes in attitudes and behavior related to bear conservation based on visitors' experiences on the refuge. Survey results are crucial to understanding public demands for and expectations for bear viewing, so that the refuge can better facilitate bear viewing opportunities and better convey

educational messages on bear management.

Comments Received and Our Responses

On November 3, 2015, we published in the **Federal Register** (80 FR 67784) a notice of our intent to request that OMB approve this information collection. In that notice, we solicited comments for 60 days, ending on January 4, 2016. We received two comments in response to that notice.

Comment: The first comment from an individual protested the entire survey and stated that the national survey conducted across the country every 5 years already contributes to Government overreach and misspending of tax dollars without preserving wildlife.

Response: The National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated recreation, conducted every 5 years, does not address the Kodiak-specific questions of this study. The proposed study will provide information that allows Kodiak Refuge

Management to make informed decisions on how to facilitate bear viewing in a way that protects bear populations while creating positive educational experiences for visitors.

Comment: The second comment from the State of Alaska's Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA) Implementation Program generally supported the proposed information collection to better inform decisionmakers and rejuvenate quality bear viewing on the refuge. The commenter made three suggestions:

- Consult with the Alaska Department of Fish and Game and other stakeholders in the development of the survey.
- Consider surveying all refuge visitors rather than just bear viewers to provide a more holistic view of refuge usage.
- Conduct the survey onsite for higher response rates and more accurate recall among participants.