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**Abstract:** The *Phragmites* Adaptive Management Framework (PAMF) is a collaborative effort to confront and reduce the spread of invasive *Phragmites* grass in the Great Lakes watershed. *Phragmites* is associated with reduced water quality, loss of biodiversity, reduced recreational opportunities, and increased fire hazards. Reducing or eliminating *Phragmites* throughout the region will reverse these deleterious effects and help achieve the comprehensive restoration goals for the Great Lakes basin (see the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative at <https://www.glri.us/>). The PAMF initiative uses the principles of adaptive management, a learning-based form of management in which data gathered following a treatment action are used to improve the predictive models that inform the decision-making process itself. Identified as a priority by the multi-national Great Lakes *Phragmites* Collaborative (<http://www.greatlakesphragmites.net/>), PAMF is a network of public and private cooperators who share a common desire to reduce or eradicate invasive *Phragmites* on lands that they manage. Membership in PAMF is voluntary and occurs after the cooperator has decided to treat *Phragmites*. A process is being developed to deliver site-specific guidance to participants that will both help them understand what treatment approach is most likely to achieve their management objectives and support regional adaptive learning through improvements and feedbacks to underlying scientific models. Cooperators will monitor and report vegetation characteristics on lands enrolled in the program, and they will report attributes about treatments applied. The data will be used in analytical routines that will indicate a best treatment action to apply based on measured conditions and will update the set of predictive models that underlie the decision support tool.

USGS is providing scientific leadership to the initiative through the development of models, monitoring design, data systems, and a workflow to process the collected data into management guidance.

**Title:** *Phragmites* Adaptive Management Framework.

**OMB Control Number:** 1028–NEW.

**Form Number:** None.

**Type of Review:** New.

**Respondents/Affected Public:** General public, NGOs, governmental entities (Federal, State, Local, Tribal, Provincial).

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:** 100.

**Total Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses:** 200.

**Estimated Completion Time per Response:** We estimate that it will take 1.5 hours per person to review training materials, traverse the property to observe conditions, and enter information into a web-based form.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 300.

**Respondent's Obligation:** None, participation is voluntary.

**Frequency of Collection:** Information is collected twice annually for each enrolled parcel, for as long as participant is enrolled in the program.

**Total Estimated Annual Non-Hour Cost:** There are no “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this collection of information.

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The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*).

**Russell Strach,**

*Center Director, USGS Great Lakes Science Center.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### U.S. Geological Survey

[GR18ND00GQ44100; OMB Control Number 1028–NEW]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Efficacy of Oak Savanna Restoration History Information Request

**AGENCY:** U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Information Collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we,

the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) are proposing a new information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before June 25, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments on the information collection request (ICR) by mail to the U.S. Geological Survey, Information Collections Clearance Officer, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 159, Reston, VA 20192; or by email to [gs-info\\_collections@usgs.gov](mailto:gs-info_collections@usgs.gov). Please reference OMB Control Number 1028–NEW in the subject line of your comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information about this ICR, contact Noel B. Pavlovic by email at [npavlovic@usgs.gov](mailto:npavlovic@usgs.gov), or by telephone at 219–926–8336 X428.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the research being conducted by the USGS; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the information gathered enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the research being conducted; and (5) how might the researchers minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. 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 may 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.

*Abstract:* We will ask land managers, in the areas where we have sampled the oak savanna vegetation, a standardized set of questions to assess qualitative and quantitative history of land management actions at the site. The historic information garnered from the excel spreadsheet (provided to the managers) and interviews, if necessary, with Federal, State, and private land managers (e.g. The Nature Conservancy and local land trusts) will be used in the statistical analysis of patterns and state of oak savanna vegetation in response to fundamental and management actions that have occurred prior to the sampling. For example at any oak savanna site, we may sample locations where there has been no management, where burning has occurred, and/or where burning and cutting has occurred. In this example, information will be sought for each case, such as last known burn in the first case, time since last burn, and other previous burn dates for the second case, and dates of burns and cutting and cutting type in the third case. This information will allow us to understand how the lack or presence of management has influenced the quality of oak savanna recovery. Fundamental factors include things like time since last burn, fire frequency and period of fire suppression. Management actions include history of on the ground management such as time and date of tree cutting, has grazing occurred and when it was terminated if not actively being conducted, and dates and number of prescribed burns. These manager responses will be converted to variables that can be statistically analyzed, such as time since last burn in years, number of fires over a specific time period and presence or absence of cutting or thinning. These qualitative and quantitative variables will be incorporated into the statistical analysis of the quality of the vegetation, *i.e.* species richness and diversity and composition variation. The data will include time since last fire, fire frequency, fire return interval and others if available or can be calculated from the information gathered. The data collected will be critical for interpreting the results of the ordination and structural equation modeling techniques that will be employed.

*Title of Collection:* Efficacy of Oak Savanna Management History Information Request.

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-NEW.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* New.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Federal, State, local government land managers and other private land management entities in southern lower Michigan,

northwest Ohio, northern Indiana, northeast Illinois, and southeastern Wisconsin.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:* 30.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:* 30.

*Estimated Completion Time per Response:* 2 hours.

*Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:* 60 hours.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Frequency of Collection:* The respondents will provide information one time.

*Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Burden Cost:* \$0.

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**Russell Strach,**

*Director, Great Lakes Science Center.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

[NPS-WASO-CONC-24873; PPWOBSDCO, PPMVSCS1Y.Y0000]

#### Notice of Temporary Concession Contract for Fuel Sales, Convenience Retail Merchandise, RV and Campground Services in the Hite Area of Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, Arizona

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Park Service intends to award a temporary concession contract to a qualified person for the conduct of certain visitor services within the Hite area of Glen Canyon National Recreation Area for a term not to exceed 3 years. The visitor services include fuel sales, convenience retail merchandise, RV, campground and other land-based services.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Parker, Chief of Concessions, Intermountain Region, (303) 969-2661, 12795 W Alameda Parkway, Lakewood, CO 80228, or by email at [jennifer\\_parker@nps.gov](mailto:jennifer_parker@nps.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Park Service intends to award a temporary concession contract, TC-GLCA006-18, to a qualified person (as defined in 36 CFR 51.3). The National Park Service has determined that a

temporary concession contract not to exceed 3 years is necessary in order to avoid interruption of visitor services, and has taken all reasonable and appropriate steps to consider alternatives to avoid an interruption of visitor services.

**Authority:** This action is issued pursuant to 36 CFR 51.24(a). This is not a request for proposals.

Dated: April 18, 2018.

**Teri Austin,**

*Associate Director, Business Services.*

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-18-020]

### Government in the Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** United States International Trade Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** May 1, 2018 at 11:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** Room 101, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, Telephone: (202) 205-2000.

**STATUS:** Open to the public.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

1. *Agendas for future meetings:* None.
2. Minutes.
3. Ratification List.
4. Vote in Inv. Nos. 701-TA-573-574 and 731-TA-1350-1351, 1354-1355, and 1358 (Final) (Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Italy, Korea, Spain, Turkey, and the United Kingdom). The Commission is currently scheduled to complete and file its determinations and views of the Commission by May 11, 2018.
5. Vote in Inv. No. 731-TA-472 (Fourth Review) (Silicon Metal from China). The Commission is currently scheduled to complete and file its determination and views of the Commission by May 15, 2018.
6. *Outstanding action jackets:* None.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: April 23, 2018.

**William Bishop,**

*Supervisory Hearings and Information Officer.*

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