

already approved. This aggregated information will form the required quarterly reporting for CARES Act funds that HUD submits to the Pandemic Response Accountability Committee (PRAC).

A new information collection request under OMB control number 2353-0123 is also being submitted that will allow the collection of grant recipient reporting information through a reporting portal. This portal is in

development, and upon completion will enable certain HUD programs to collect and report information in line with CARES Act requirements.

BURDEN ESTIMATES

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
CDBG	1,209	4	4,836	78.5	379,626	35.16	13,347,650.16
ESG	2,360	4	9,440	12.75	120,360	39.96	4,809,585.60
HOPWA (HUD-40110-C)	128	4	512	41	20,992	25.35	532,147.20
HOPWA (HUD-40110-D)	116	4	464	55	25,520	25.35	646,932.00
IHBG	792	4	3,168	1	3,168	25	79,200.00
TBRA/Op Fund	1,230	4	4,920	2	9,840	35.16	345,974.40
Total	5,835	4	23,340	559,506	19,761,489.36

**Please note:* The CPD programs (CDBG, ESG, and HOPWA) in the table above reference existing ICRs under control numbers 2506-0113, 2506-0089, and 2506-0077. The PIH programs (IHBG, TBRA, Op Fund) will leverage the existing ICR under control number 2535-0123 to implement a new reporting portal.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed 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 those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

C. Authority

Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R7-ES-2021-0075; FXFR133707PB000-212-FF07CAMM00]

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of a 5-Year Status Review of the Polar Bear (*Ursus maritimus*)

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for information.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce our intention to conduct a 5-year status review under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, for the polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*). The polar bear was listed as threatened in 2008. A 5-year status review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review. We are requesting submission of information that has become available since the last review of the species in 2017.

DATES: To ensure consideration of your comments in our preparation of this 5-year status review, we must receive your comments and information by December 6, 2021. However, we will accept information about any species at any time.

ADDRESSES: Please submit your information on the current status of the polar bear by one of the following methods:

- *U.S. mail or hand-delivery:* Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS-R7-ES-2021-0075, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters, MS: PRB/3W;

5275 Leesburg Pike; Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3803; or

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting information to Docket No. FWS-R7-ES-2021-0075. For more about submitting information, see Request for Information in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section, below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Gustine, Polar Bear Lead, Marine Mammals Management, by telephone at 907-786-3800. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We are initiating a 5-year status review under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), for the polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*). A 5-year status review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any new information on this species that has become available since the last 5-year review was conducted in 2017.

Why do we conduct a 5-year review?

Under the ESA, we maintain Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants (which we collectively refer to as the List) in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.11 (for animals) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the ESA requires us to review each listed species' status at least once every 5 years. Further, our regulations at 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing those species

under active review. For additional information about 5-year reviews, go to <http://www.fws.gov/Endangered/what-we-do/recovery-overview.html>.

What information do we consider in our review?

In conducting these reviews, we consider the best scientific and commercial data that have become available since the listing determination or most recent status review, such as:

- (1) The biology of the species, including, but not limited to, population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics;
- (2) Habitat conditions, including, but not limited to, amount, distribution, and suitability;
- (3) Conservation measures that have been implemented that benefit the species;
- (4) Threat status and trends in relation to the five listing factors (as defined in section 4(a)(1) of the ESA); and
- (5) Other new information, data, or corrections, including, but not limited to, taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, identification of erroneous information contained in the List, and improved analytical methods.

Any new information will be considered during the 5-year review and will also be useful in evaluating the ongoing recovery programs for the species.

Species Under Review

Entity listed: Polar bear (*Ursus maritimus*).

- *Where listed:* wherever found.
- *Classification:* Threatened.
- *Date listed (publication date for final listing rule):* May 15, 2008.
- **Federal Register** citation for final listing rule: 73 FR 28212.

Request for Information

To ensure that a 5-year review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we request new information from all sources. See What Information Do We Consider in Our Review? for specific criteria. If you submit information, please support it with documentation such as maps, bibliographic references, methods used to gather and analyze the data, and/or copies of any pertinent publications, reports, or letters by knowledgeable sources.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, 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.

Completed and Active Reviews

A list of all completed and currently active 5-year reviews addressing species for which the Alaskan Region of the Service has lead responsibility is available at <https://www.fws.gov/alaska/pages/Endangered-species-program/recovery-Endangered-species>.

Authority

This document is published under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701–TA–670 and 731–TA–1570 (Preliminary)]

Freight Rail Coupler Systems and Components From China; Institution of Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duty Investigations and Scheduling of Preliminary Phase Investigations

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the institution of investigations and commencement of preliminary phase antidumping and countervailing duty investigation Nos. 701–TA–670 and 731–TA–1570 (Preliminary) pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”) to determine whether there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports of freight rail coupler systems and components thereof from China, provided for in subheading 8607.30.10 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value and alleged to be subsidized by the Government of China. Subject merchandise attached to finished rail cars may also enter under HTSUS

heading 8606 or under subheading 980300 if imported as an Instrument of International Traffic. Unless the Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) extends the time for initiation, the Commission must reach a preliminary determination in antidumping and countervailing duty investigations in 45 days, or in this case by November 15, 2021. The Commission’s views must be transmitted to Commerce within five business days thereafter, or by November 22, 2021.

DATES: September 29, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stamen Borisson, (202) 205–3125, Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on 202–205–1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<https://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for these investigations may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—These investigations are being instituted, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)), in response to petitions filed on September 29, 2021, by the Coalition of Amsted Rail Producers, consisting of Amsted Rail Company, Inc., Chicago, IL and McConway & Torley LLC, Pittsburgh, PA.

For further information concerning the conduct of these investigations and rules of general application, consult the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 207).

Participation in the investigations and public service list.—Persons (other than petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigations as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in §§ 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission’s rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Industrial users and (if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level) representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping duty and countervailing duty investigations. The