

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

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PPMRSNR1Y.NM0000; 222P103601; OMB
Control Number 1024–NEW]

**Agency Information Collection
Activities; Visitor Perceptions of
Climate Change Study**

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information
collections; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we,
the National Park Service (NPS), are
proposing a new information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to
submit comments on or before
September 6, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and
suggestions on the information
collection requirements should be
submitted by the date specified above in
DATES to [https://www.reginfo.gov/
public/do/PRAMain](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this
particular information collection by
selecting “Currently under Review—
Open for Public Comments” or by using
the search function. Please provide a
copy of your comments to Phadrea
Ponds, NPS Information Collection
Clearance Officer (ADIR–ICCO), 13461
Sunrise Valley Drive (MS–244) Reston,
VA 20192 (mail); or [phadrea_ponds@
nps.gov](mailto:phadrea_ponds@nps.gov) (email). Please include 1024–
NEW (CCRP) in the subject line of your
comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To
request additional information about
this information collection request
(ICR), contact Larry Perez,
Communications Coordinator, NPS
Climate Change Response Program at
larry_perez@nps.gov; (email) or 970–
267–2136 (phone). Please reference
OMB Control Number 1024–NEW
(CCRP) in the subject line of your
comments. Individuals in the United
States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of
hearing, or have a speech disability may
dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to
access telecommunications relay
services. Individuals outside the United
States should use the relay services
offered within their country to make
international calls to the point of
contact in the United States. You may
also view the ICR at [https://
www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In
accordance with the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA, 44 U.S.C.
3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), we
provide the public and other Federal
agencies with an opportunity to

comment on new, 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.

A **Federal Register** notice with a 60–
day public comment period soliciting
comments on this collection of
information was published on October
14, 2022 (87 FR 62442). No comments
were received.

As part of our continuing effort to
reduce paperwork and respondent
burdens, we are again soliciting
comments from the public and other
Federal agencies on the proposed ICR
that is described below. We are
especially interested in public comment
addressing the following:

(1) Whether or not the collection of
information is necessary for the proper
performance of the functions of the
agency, including whether or not the
information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the
burden for this collection of
information, including the validity of
the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality,
utility, and clarity of the information to
be collected; and

(4) How might the agency minimize
the burden of the collection of
information on those who are to
respond, including through the use of
appropriate automated, electronic,
mechanical, or other technological
collection techniques or other forms of
information technology, *e.g.*, permitting
electronic submission of response.

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 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.

Abstract: The National Park Service
(NPS) is authorized by the National Park
Service Protection, Interpretation, and
Research in System (54 U.S.C. 100701)
statutes to collect information used to
enhance the management and planning
of parks and their resources. The
Climate Change Response Program

(administered through the Natural
Resource Stewardship and Science
directorate) and the U.S. Fish and
Wildlife Service (FWS) Human
Dimensions Branch (administered
through the Natural Resource Program
Center within the National Wildlife
Refuge System) are partnering to
conduct a voluntary, on-site survey to
understand park and refuge visitors’
attitudes, perceptions, and beliefs about
climate-related topics.

The National Park System and the
National Wildlife Refuge System protect
places, resources, and experiences of
importance to the American public. But
climate change has serious implications
for the protection of landscapes,
ecosystems, recreational opportunities,
and visitor experiences in parks and
refuges. Thus, the NPS and FWS seek to
better understand visitors’
understanding and concerns about
climate change.

The NPS and FWS administer high–
quality programs of interpretation and
education and communication about
pressing, climate-related topics is
increasingly necessary. Audience
analysis is important for guiding such
efforts. The results of this survey will
provide insight into topics, methods,
and/or communications media of most
interest to park and refuge visitors.

Title of Collection: Visitor Perceptions
of Climate Change Study.

OMB Control Number: 1024–NEW.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: New.

Respondents/Affected Public: General
Public.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Respondents:** 28,010 (15,634 initial
contacts; 363 non-response survey
respondents; 12,013 on-site survey
respondents).

**Estimated Completion Time per
Response:** Varies between 1 and 7
minutes (depending on activity).

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Burden Hours:** 1,669 hours.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: Once.

**Total Estimated Annual Nonhour
Burden Cost:** None.

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

Phadrea Ponds,

*NPS Information Collections Clearance
Officer, National Park Service.*

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