

properties of at least equal fair market value and of reasonably equivalent usefulness and location: *Provided*, That wetland areas and interests therein as identified in the wetlands provisions of the comprehensive plan and proposed to be acquired as suitable replacement property within that same State that is otherwise acceptable to the Secretary, acting through the Director of the National Park Service, shall be considered to be of reasonably equivalent usefulness with the property proposed for conversion.

SEC. 6(f)(4) No payment shall be made to any State until the State has agreed to (1) provide such reports to the Secretary, in such form and containing such information, as may be reasonably necessary to enable the Secretary to perform his duties under this Act, and (2) provide such fiscal control and fund accounting procedures as may be necessary to assure proper disbursement and accounting for Federal funds paid to the State under this Act.

SEC. 6(f)(5) Each recipient of assistance under this Act shall keep such records as the Secretary shall prescribe, including records which fully disclose the amount and the disposition by such recipient of the proceeds of such assistance, the total cost of the project or undertaking in connection with which such assistance is given or used, and the amount and nature of that portion of the cost of the project or undertaking supplied by other sources, and such other records as will facilitate an effective audit.

SEC. 6(f)(6) The Secretary and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, shall have access for the purpose of audit and examination to any books, documents, papers, and records of the recipient that are pertinent to assistance received under this Act.

SEC. 6(f)(7) Each State shall evaluate its grant programs annually under guidelines set forth by the Secretary and shall transmit, so as to be received by the Secretary no later than December 31, such evaluation to the Secretary, together with a list of all projects funded during that fiscal year, including, but not limited to, a description of each project, the amount of Federal funds employed in such project, the source of other funds, and the estimated cost of completion of the project. Such evaluation and the publication of same shall be eligible for funding on a 50-50 matching basis. The results of the evaluation shall be annually reported on a fiscal year basis to the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, which agency shall forward a summary of such reports to the Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs of the United States Congress by no later than March 1 of each year. Such report to the committees shall also include an analysis of the accomplishments of the fund for the period reported, and may also include recommendations as to future improvements for the operation of the Land and Water Conservation Fund program.

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5. **Monitoring and Reporting of Program Performance.** In accordance with 43 CFR 12.1 - .52, the following sets forth the procedures for monitoring and reporting program performance (reporting authority approved by OMB No. 1024-0032 09/30/84):

- A. States shall constantly monitor the performance under approved projects to assure that time schedules are being met, projected work units by time periods are being accomplished, and other performance goals are being achieved. (see Chapter 675.1)
- B. Performance reports shall be submitted with each project billing or drawdown unless a report had been submitted within the previous three months. Performance reports shall be submitted annually on March 31 for all active projects approved more than one year previously but for which no billings or drawdowns have been submitted during the past year.
- C. States have the option of submitting an annual (calendar year) consolidated performance report for all active projects and project elements approved more than one year previously. The Service will provide each State with a listing of active projects that fall within this category.

Sufficient space will be provided on the listing of projects for the State to briefly report project status. The list will include, for each project or consolidated project element, the amount expended to date and the target dates. The State report must be submitted to the Service by March 31 for the previous calendar year.

D. Regardless of the approach used, the report will present the following information:

- (1) The status of the work required under the project scope including the percent of work completed and percentage of costs billed and whether the project will meet established target dates for completion.
- (2) Other pertinent information including when appropriate analysis and explanation of cost overruns, time schedule delays and other similar problems encountered and their expected impact on the project, etc.

E. If any performance review conducted by the State discloses the need for change in the Project Agreement, the State shall submit a request for an amendment in sufficient time to be processed before expiration of the project period.

F. The Service shall make site visits as frequently as practicable on a spot check basis to:

- (1) review project accomplishments and management control systems, and
- (2) provide such technical assistance as may be required.

Estimated Burden Statement: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one hour per response including time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding this burden estimate or any aspect of this form should be sent to NPS, Recreation Grants Programs, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, D.C. 20013-7127.

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: As required by OMB Circular A-102, and the LWCF Act of 1965, grantees are required to submit performance reports which describe the status of the work required under the project scope. Submission is therefore required to retain grant eligibility status and maintain associated benefits. A Federal 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. Any comments on the burden estimate or other aspects of this collection of information may be addressed to the National Park Service, Recreation Grants Programs, P.O. Box 37127, Washington, D.C. 20013-7127.