

**Permit TE-192229**

*Applicant:* Krista McDermid, Buda, Texas.

Applicant requests a new permit for research and recovery purposes to conduct presence/absence surveys of the following species: Peck's Cave amphipod (*Stygobromus peckii*), Comal Spring dryopid beetle (*Stygoparnus comalensis*), Coffin Cave mold beetle (*Batrisodes texanus*), Helotes mold beetle (*Batrisodes venyivi*), Comal Springs riffle beetle (*Heterelmis comalensis*), ground beetle (*Rhadine exilis*), ground beetle (*Rhadine infernalis*), Tooth Cave ground beetle (*Rhadine persephone*), Robber Baron Cave meshweaver (*Cicurina baronia*), Madla Cave meshweaver (*Cicurina venii*), Braken Bat Cave meshweaver (*Cicurina venii*), Government Canyon Bat Cave meshweaver (*Cicurina vespera*), Government Canyon Bat Cave spider (*Neoleptoneta microps*), Tooth Cave spider (*Neoleptoneta myopica*), Tooth Cave pseudoscorpion (*Tartarocreagris texana*), Bee Creek Cave harvestman (*Texella reddelli*), Bone Cave harvestman (*Texella reyesii*), and Robber Baron Cave harvestman (*Texella cokendolpheri*) within Texas.

**Permit TE-192855**

*Applicant:* Amnis Opes Institute, LLC, Albany, Oregon.

Applicant requests a new research and recovery permit to conduct presence/absence surveys of the following species: Gila chub (*Gila intermedia*), Rio Grande silvery minnow (*Hybognathus amarus*), Pecos gambusia (*Gambusia nobilis*), Colorado pikeminnow (*Ptychocheilus lucius*), razorback sucker (*Xyrauchen texanus*), Gila topminnow (*Poeciliopsis occidentalis*), and Yaqui topminnow (*Poeciliopsis occidentalis sonorensis*) within New Mexico and Arizona.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: August 27, 2008.

**Nancy J Gloman,**

*Regional Director, Southwest Region, Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee; Announcement of Public Meetings**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), will host Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee (Committee) meetings on October 21-23, 2008, and January 27-29, 2009. The meetings are open to the public. The meeting agendas will include reports from the Subcommittees on Existing Guidelines, Incentives, Guiding Principles, Legal, Landscape/Habitat, Science Tools & Procedures, and Other Models/Uncertainty.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on October 21-23, 2008, from 2:15 to 5 p.m. on October 21 and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on October 22-23, and January 27-29, 2009, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** South Interior Auditorium, South Interior Building, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20240. For more information, see "Meeting Location Information" under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rachel London, Division of Habitat and Resource Conservation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, (703) 358-2161.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Background**

On March 13, 2007, the Department of the Interior published a notice of establishment of the Committee and call for nominations in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 11373). The Committee's purpose is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary) on developing effective measures to avoid or minimize impacts to wildlife and their habitats related to land-based wind energy facilities. The Committee is expected to exist for 2 years and meet approximately four times per year, and its continuation is subject to biennial renewal. All Committee members serve without compensation. In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.), a copy of the Committee's charter has been filed with the Committee Management Secretariat, General Services Administration; Committee on Environment and Public

Works, U.S. Senate; Committee on Natural Resources, U.S. House of Representatives; and the Library of Congress. The Secretary appointed 22 individuals to the Committee on October 24, 2007, representing the varied interests associated with wind energy development and its potential impacts to wildlife species and their habitats. The Service has held Committee meetings in February, April, June, and July of 2008. All Committee meetings are open to the public. The public has an opportunity to comment at all Committee meetings.

**Meeting Location Information**

Please note that the meeting location is accessible to wheelchair users. If you require additional accommodations, please notify us at least two weeks in advance of the meeting(s) you plan to attend.

All persons planning to attend a meeting will be required to present photo identification when entering the building. Because of building security in the Department of the Interior, we recommend that persons planning to attend the workshop and/or meeting register at [http://www.fws.gov/habitatconservation/windpower/wind\\_turbine\\_advisory\\_committee.html](http://www.fws.gov/habitatconservation/windpower/wind_turbine_advisory_committee.html) by October 14, 2008, for the October 21-23, 2008, meeting, and by January 20, 2009, for the January 27-29, 2009, meeting, to allow us sufficient time to provide the building security staff with lists of persons planning to attend. You may still attend if you register after the dates listed above; however, seating is limited due to room capacity. We will give preference to registrants based on date and time of registration. Limited standing room will be available if all seats are filled.

Dated: September 3, 2008.

**David J. Stout,**

*Designated Federal Officer, Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****U.S. Geological Survey****Agency Information Collection Activities: Submitted for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Review; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of a new information collection.

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) is inviting comments on collection of information that we have sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The Information Collection Request (ICR) concerns the paperwork requirements for the National Land Remote Sensing Education, Outreach and Research Program (NLRSEORP) and describes the nature of the collection and the estimated burden and cost.

**DATES:** Submit written comments by October 20, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of Interior via e-mail [*OIRA\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov*]; or fax (202) 395-6566; and identify your submission as 1028-NEW. Please also submit a copy of your comments to Phadrea Ponds, USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer, 2150-C Center Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail); (970) 226-9230 (fax); or *pponds@usgs.gov* (e-mail). Please reference Information Collection 1028-NEW, NLRSEORP in the subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE**

**CONTACT:** To request additional information concerning this ICR, contact Thomas Cecere by mail at U.S. Geological Survey, MS 517 National Center, Reston, VA 20192 or by telephone at (703) 648-5551.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* National Land Remote Sensing Education, Outreach and Research Program (NLRSEORP).

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-NEW.

*Abstract:* The Land Remote Sensing Education, Outreach and Research Program (NLRSEORP) is an effort that involves the development of a U.S. national consortium in building the capability to receive, process and archive remotely sensed data for the purpose of providing access to university and State organizations in a ready to use form, and to expand the science of remote sensing through education, research/applications development and outreach in areas such as environmental monitoring, climate change research, natural resource management and disaster analysis. Respondents are submitting proposals to acquire funding for a National (U.S.) program to promote the uses of space-based land remote sensing data and technologies through education and outreach at the State and local level and through university based and

collaborative research projects. The information collected will ensure that sufficient and relevant information is available to evaluate and select a proposal for funding. A panel of USGS geography program managers and scientists will review each proposal to evaluate the technical merit, requirements, and priorities identified in the program's call for proposals.

This notice concerns the collection of information that is sufficient and relevant to evaluate and select proposals for funding. We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR Part 2), and under regulations at 30 CFR 250.197, "Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection." Responses are voluntary. No questions of a "sensitive" nature are asked. We intend to release the project abstracts and primary investigators for awarded/funded projects only.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Non-profit organizations.

*Respondent Obligation:* Voluntary (necessary to receive benefits).

*Estimated Number and Description of Respondents:* We expect to receive approximately 10 proposals during the grant application process. We anticipate issuing 1 grant per year. The program is open to non-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* Approximately 10 applications and 2 reports per year.

*Estimated Completion Time per Response:* Based on comments received during the FR Notice 60 day comment period, we estimate that the burden will be 24 hours per applicant and 10 hours per grantee. We expect to receive approximately 10 applications per year, taking each applicant approximately 24 hours to complete, totaling 240 burden hours. We anticipate awarding one (1) grant per year. The grantee will be required to submit 2 reports: an interim 6 months after the start of the project and a final report on or before 90 working days after the expiration of the agreement. We estimate that it will take approximately 10 hours to complete and submit both reports.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 250.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden:* We have not identified any "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

*Public Disclosure Statement:* The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor; and you are not required to respond to, a

collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obligated to respond.

*Comments:* To comply with the public consultation process, on April 29, 2008, we published a **Federal Register** notice (73 FR 23268) announcing our intent to submit this information collection to OMB for approval. In that notice we solicited public comments for 60 days, ending on June 30, 2008. We did not receive any public comments in response to the notice. We again invite comments concerning this information collection on:

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

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this 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 respondents.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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 OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public view, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

*USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer:* Phadrea D. Ponds, 970-226-9445.

Dated: September 11, 2008.

**Bruce Quirk,**

*Program Coordinator, Land Remote Sensing Program, U.S. Geological Survey.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Geological Survey: Privacy Act of 1974, as Amended; Establishment of a New System of Records**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed establishment of a new system of records.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5