

Famulari (Applicant). The Applicant has requested an amendment to the permits that will change the mitigation option from payment to the Florida Scrub-jay Conservation Fund administered by The Nature Conservancy to providing the Charlotte County conservation lands program an option to purchase land that will result in acquisition of 79 acres of suitable scrub-jay habitat. The Applicant has agreed to follow all other existing habitat conservation plan (HCP) conditions. If amended, no additional take will be authorized.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments on the permit amendments on or before March 9, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below for information on how to submit your comments on the permit amendments. You may obtain a copy of the permit amendment applications and the HCP by writing to the South Florida Ecological Services Office, Attn: Permit number TE136149-1/TE136153-1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1339 20th Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960-3559. In addition, we will make the permit amendment applications and HCP available for public inspection by appointment during normal business hours at the above address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Trish Adams, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, South Florida Ecological Services Office (see **ADDRESSES**); telephone: (772) 562-3909, ext. 232.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** If you wish to comment on the permit amendments, you may submit comments by any one of the following methods. Please reference permit number TE136149-1/TE136153-1 in such comments.

1. Mail or hand-deliver comments to our South Florida Ecological Services Office address (see **ADDRESSES**).

2. E-mail comments to [trish\\_adams@fws.gov](mailto:trish_adams@fws.gov). If you do not receive a confirmation that we have received your e-mail message, contact us directly at the telephone number listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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.

Residential construction will take place on six parcels in the vicinity of latitude 27.013 and longitude -82.015 in Punta Gorda Isles, Punta Gorda, Charlotte County, Florida. These parcels are within scrub-jay occupied habitat. The parcels encompass about 3.2 acres, and the footprint of the structure, infrastructure, and landscaping precludes retention of scrub-jay habitat on these parcels. More details on the specific parcel locations are available in the HCP (see **ADDRESSES**). The original permits became effective on February 28, 2007. Opportunity for public review of the original applications was provided in 71 FR 65125 (November 7, 2006).

The Service has made preliminary determinations that amendment of the permits is neither a major Federal action that will significantly affect the quality of the human environment within the meaning of section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), nor will they individually or cumulatively have more than a negligible effect on the species covered in the HCP. Therefore, the permit amendment qualifies as a categorical exclusion under NEPA as provided by the Department of Interior Manual (516 DM 2, Appendix 1 and 516 DM 8.5).

**Authority:** We provide this notice pursuant to Section 10 of the Endangered Species Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and NEPA regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Dated: January 16, 2009.

**Paul Souza,**

*Field Supervisor, South Florida Ecological Services Field Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### U.S. Geological Survey

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

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

**ACTION:** Notice of an extension of an information collection (1028-0082).

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that we will submit to OMB an information collection request (ICR) to renew approval of the paperwork requirements for "Bird Banding Lab (2 USGS forms)." This notice provides the public an opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of this form.

**DATES:** You must submit comments on or before April 7, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your 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 the Interior via OMB e-mail: ([OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov)); or by fax (202) 395-6566; and identify your submission with #1028-0082. Please submit a copy of your comments to the Phadrea Ponds, Information Collections, U.S. Geological Survey, 2150-C Center Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail); (970) 226-9230 (fax); or FAX: [pponds@usgs.gov](mailto:pponds@usgs.gov) (e-mail). Use Information Collection Number 1028-0082 in the subject line.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information about this ICR, contact David Smith at [davidasmith@usgs.gov](mailto:davidasmith@usgs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Bird Banding Laboratory.  
*OMB Control Number:* 1028-0082.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* The USGS Bird Banding Laboratory is responsible for monitoring the trapping and marking of wild migratory birds by persons holding Federal permits. The Bird Banding laboratory collects information using two forms: (1) The Application for Federal Bird Marking and Salvage Permit; and (2) The Bird Banding Recovery Report. This request does not include the Bird Banding Schedule.

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.

*Affected Public:* General Public.  
*Respondent Obligation:* Voluntary.  
*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion.  
*Estimated Number and Description of Respondents:* 85,550 Individuals encountering a banded bird and volunteer bird banders.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 4,525 hours.  
*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* The currently approved "hour" burden for this collection is 4,525 hours. We do not expect the burden for each form to change as a result of this request (30 minutes for Permit Application form; 3 minutes for Recovery Report form).

*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:* We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) how to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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 review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done. To comply with the public process, we publish this **Federal Register** notice announcing that we will submit this ICR to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60 day public comment period.

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

Dated: January 28, 2009.

**Susan D. Haseltine,**

*Associate Director for Biology, U.S. Geological Survey.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### U.S. Geological Survey

#### Agency Information Collection: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** United States Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

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

**SUMMARY:** To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), we are notifying the public that

we will submit to OMB a new information collection request (ICR) for review and approval. This notice provides the public an opportunity to comment on the paperwork burden of this collection.

**DATES:** You must submit comments on or before April 7, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments regarding this ICR to Phadrea Ponds, Information Collections Clearance Officer, at U.S. Geological Survey, 2150-C Center Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail); (970) 226-9230 (fax); or [pponds@usgs.gov](mailto:pponds@usgs.gov) (e-mail). Please reference Information Collection 1028-NEW, NATSURV.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lynne Koontz by mail at U.S. Geological Survey, 2150-C Center Avenue, Fort Collins, CO 80526, or by telephone at (970) 226-9384.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Visitor Satisfaction and Spending at Pompeys Pillar National Monument.

*OMB Control Number:* 1028-NEW.

*Abstract:* The USGS will conduct a survey of visitors to Pompeys Pillar National Monument and Shepherd Ah Nei Recreation Area near Billings, MT. The survey will be used to better understand visitor experiences and spending in the local community. Respondents will have the option to complete the survey on-site or return it by mail. We will use this survey to measure visitor satisfaction with current visitor services and facilities and their desire for future services and facilities. Information from this survey will provide BLM managers, planners, and visitor services professionals with scientifically sound data that can be used to prepare resource management planning documents and understand the economic impact of visitors to the local community.

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and 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.

*Frequency of Collection:* This is a one-time survey.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Estimated Number and Description of Respondents:* Approximately 600 visitors of Pompeys Pillar National Monument and 600 visitors at Shepherd Ah Nei Recreation Area near Billings, MT.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 1200 responses.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 200 hours.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden:* We estimate the public reporting burden will average 10 minutes per response. This includes the time for reviewing instructions and completing the survey.

*Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost":* 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.

*Comments:* We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) how to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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 review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done. To comply with the public process, we publish this **Federal Register** notice announcing that we will submit this ICR to OMB for approval. The notice provided the required 60 day public comment period.

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

Dated: January 28, 2009.

**Sue Haseltine,**

*Associate Director for Biology.*

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