

of transport. Although there are recommended methods, the ultimate responsibility for properly securing cargo inside a container (by blocking, bracing, and strapping) resides with the packer of the container.

U.S. regulations make reference to dunnage as a method for securing cargo and defines it in 49 CFR 176.2 as "lumber of not less than 25 mm (0.98 inch) commercial thickness or equivalent material laid over or against structures such as tank tops, decks, bulkheads, frames, plating, or ladders, or used for filling voids or fitting around cargo, to prevent damage during transportation." However, there is no reference made to flexible strapping systems. The Department of Transportation (DOT) has issued exemptions to 49 CFR 176.76(a)(4), allowing the use of fabric restraint dunnage systems to secure certain hazardous materials, when installed as specified by the manufacturer's instructions.

There are a variety of options for developing a standard. One option is to request that the UN ECE, ILO, and IMO consider incorporating flexible strapping systems into their Guidelines. Another option is to have the International Standards Organization (ISO) develop testing and performance requirements. The U.S. could also create domestic regulations for incorporation into 49 CFR part 176. The final option is to continue operations as they currently exist, allowing the packer to determine the best method of securing cargo without a standardized approval or certification process.

The Coast Guard invites comments on the following topics:

- The need for a new approval process or certification standard for cargo securing systems.
- Information on currently used standards for the approval and use of cargo securing systems.
- Methods for ensuring or verifying that securing systems adequately secure cargo without damaging the container or cargo.
- Existing test methods for securing systems.
- Materials used for securing cargo within the container (e.g. wood, plastic, bags, web, wire, chain, etc.).
- Allowances for movement of cargo within the container when securing systems are used.
- Information on cargo securing systems that are currently being used to secure cargo in containers, both domestically and internationally.

Written comments and responses to the above topics will be added to the docket number for this notice (USCG-

2009-1079). The Coast Guard intends to review and analyze all comments received in order to develop a way forward for securing cargo in containers.

This notice is issued under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552.

Dated: December 29, 2009.

J.G. Lantz,

Director of Commercial Regulations and Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5375-N-01]

Federal Property Suitable as Facilities To Assist the Homeless

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.

DATES: *Effective Date: January 8, 2010.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathy Ezzell, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7262, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1234; TTY number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565 (these telephone numbers are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 800-927-7588.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in *National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration*, No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless. Today's Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.

Dated: December 29, 2009.

Mark R. Johnston,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Control Number 1004-0194

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announces its intention to request that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) extend approval for the collection of information under 43 CFR subpart 3809. The OMB previously approved this collection of information and assigned it the control number 1004-0194.

DATES: You must submit your comments to the BLM at the address below on or before March 9, 2010. The BLM is not obligated to consider any comments postmarked or received after the above date.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Mail Stop 401-LS, 1849 C St., NW., Washington, DC 20240, Attention: 1004-0194. You may also comment electronically at: Jean_Sonneman@blm.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Adam Merrill, Solid Minerals Group, at (202) 912-7044 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use a telecommunication device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Mr. Merrill. You may also contact Mr. Merrill to obtain a copy, at no cost, of the regulations and forms that require this collection of information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: OMB regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501-3521), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies be provided an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d) and 1320.12(a)). This notice identifies information collections that are contained in 43 CFR subpart 3809. The BLM will request that the OMB approve this information collection activity for a 3-year term.

Comments are invited on: (1) The need for the collection of information

for the performance of the functions of the agency; (2) the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and (4) ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information. A summary of the public comments will accompany the BLM's submission of the information collection requests to OMB.

The following information is provided for the information collection:

Title: Surface Management Activities under the General Mining Law (43 CFR subpart 3809).

Forms

- Form 3809-1, Surface Management Surety Bond;
- Form 3809-2, Surface Management Personal Bond;
- Form 3809-4, Bond Rider Extending Coverage of Bond to Assume Liabilities for Operations Conducted by Parties Other Than the Principal;
- Form 3809-4a, Surface Management Personal Bond Rider; and
- Form 3809-5, Notification of Change of Operator and Assumption of Past Liability.

OMB Control Number: 1004-0194.

Abstract: This collection of information enables the BLM to determine whether operators and mining claimants are meeting their responsibility to prevent unnecessary or

undue degradation while conducting exploration and mining activities on public lands under the General Mining Law (30 U.S.C. 22-54.). It also enables the BLM to obtain financial guarantees for the reclamation of public lands. This collection of information is found at 43 CFR subpart 3809, and in the forms listed above.

Frequency: On occasion.

Description of Respondents: Operators and mining claimants.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Hour" Burden: The currently approved annual reporting burden for this collection is 1,369 responses and 166,661 hours. The following tables detail the individual components and estimated annual hour burdens of this collection.

TABLE 1—INITIAL AND EXTENDED PLAN OF OPERATIONS

43 CFR citation	Type of response	Number of responses	Hours per response	Total hours
3809.11	Plan of Operations	54	245	13,230
3809.401(c)	Data for EIS	6	4,960	29,760
3809.401(c)	Data for Standard EA	16	890	14,240
3809.401(c)	Data for Simple Exploration EA	35	320	11,200
Totals .....	.....	111	.....	68,430

TABLE 2—MODIFICATION OF PLAN OF OPERATIONS

43 CFR citation	Type of response	Number of responses	Hours per response	Total hours
3809.430 and 3809.431	Modification of Plan of Operations	96	245	23,520
3809.432(a) and 3809.401(c)	Data for EIS	2	4,960	9,920
3809.432(a) and 3809.401(c)	Data for Standard EA	29	890	25,810
3809.432(a) and 3809.401(c)	Data for Simple Exploration EA	62	320	19,840
Totals .....	.....	189	.....	79,090

TABLE 3—INITIAL, MODIFIED AND EXTENDED NOTICE OF OPERATIONS

43 CFR citation	Type of response	Number of responses	Hours per response	Total hours
3809.21	Notice of Operations	386	32	12,352
3809.330	Modification of Notice of Operations	108	32	3,456
3809.333	Extension of Notice of Operations	169	0.5	85
Totals .....	.....	663	.....	15,893

TABLE 4—FINANCIAL GUARANTEE REQUIREMENTS

43 CFR citation	Type of response	Number of responses	Hours per response	Total hours
3809.500	Form 3809-1, Surface Management Surety Bond.	67	8	536
3809.500	Form 3809-2, Surface Management Personal Bond.	270	8	2,160
3809.500	Form 3809-4, Bond Rider Extending Coverage of Bond.	13	8	104
3809.500	Form 3809-4a, Surface Management Personal Bond Rider.	10	8	80

TABLE 4—FINANCIAL GUARANTEE REQUIREMENTS—Continued

43 CFR citation	Type of response	Number of responses	Hours per response	Total hours
3809.116	Form 3809–5, Notification of Change of Operator and Assumption of Past Liability.	46	8	368
Totals .....	.....	406	.....	3,248

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping “Non-Hour Cost”

Burden: The only non-hour costs are \$5,600 in fees for notarizing Forms 3809–2 and 3809–4a (\$20 per form × 280 forms annually = \$5,600).

The Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor 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.

The BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become 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 us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Jean Sonneman,

Acting Information Collection Clearance Officer, Bureau of Land Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS–R4–R–2009–N198; 40136–1265–0000–S3]

Holla Bend National Wildlife Refuge, Pope and Yell Counties, AR

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability: Draft comprehensive conservation plan and environmental assessment; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a draft comprehensive conservation plan and environmental

assessment (Draft CCP/EA) for Holla Bend National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) for public review and comment. In this Draft CCP/EA, we describe the alternative we propose to use to manage this refuge for the 15 years following approval of the final CCP.

DATES: To ensure consideration, we must receive your written comments by February 8, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Send comments, questions, and requests for information to: Mr. Durwin Carter, Holla Bend National Wildlife Refuge, 10448 Holla Bend Road, Dardanelle, AR 72834; telephone: 479–229–4300; e-mail: durwin_carter@fws.gov. The Draft CCP/EA is available on compact disk or in hard copy. The Draft CCP/EA may also be accessed and downloaded from the Service’s Internet Site: <http://southeast.fws.gov/planning>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mike Dawson, Refuge Planner, Jackson, MS; telephone: 601–965–4903, extension 20.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

With this notice, we continue the CCP process for Holla Bend NWR. We started the process through a notice in the **Federal Register** on May 17, 2007 (72 FR 27837).

Background

The CCP Process

The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd–668ee), as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, requires us to develop a CCP for each national wildlife refuge. The purpose for developing a CCP is to provide refuge managers with a 15-year strategy for achieving refuge purposes and contributing toward the mission of the National Wildlife Refuge System, consistent with sound principles of fish and wildlife management, conservation, legal mandates, and our policies. In addition to outlining broad management direction on conserving wildlife and their habitats, CCPs identify wildlife-dependent recreational opportunities available to the public, including

opportunities for hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation. We will review and update the CCP at least every 15 years in accordance with the Administration Act.

CCP Alternatives, Including Our Proposed Alternative

We developed four alternatives for managing the refuge and chose Alternative D as the proposed alternative. Each alternative would pursue the same four broad refuge goals—wildlife, habitat, public use, and refuge administration. A full description is in the Draft CCP/EA. We summarize each alternative below.

Alternative A—Current Management (No Action)

Alternative A would continue current management strategies, with little or no change in budgeting or funding. Under this alternative, we would protect, maintain, restore, and enhance 6,616 acres of refuge lands and 441 additional acres included in a migratory bird closure area around the refuge, primarily focusing on the needs of migratory waterfowl. We would place additional emphasis on the needs of resident wildlife, migratory non-game birds, and threatened and endangered species. We would continue cooperative farming on 1,200 acres. We would continue mandated activities for protection of federally listed species. Control of nuisance wildlife populations would be undertaken as necessary. Habitat management efforts would concentrate on moist-soil management, waterfowl impoundments, and crop production. We would continue to monitor invasive plants.

We would maintain the current levels of wildlife-dependent recreation activities (*e.g.*, hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation). We would maintain two designated hiking trails, a 10-mile, self-guided auto tour route (for wildlife observation and photography), and three boat launch ramps with gravel parking areas, to the extent that these facilities would not substantially interfere with or