# Request for Approval under the "DOI Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery" (OMB Control Number: 1090-0011)

**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Conservation + Recreation Newsletter Satisfaction Survey

### **PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this survey is to gain rapid customer feedback regarding an electronic newsletter called Conservation + Recreation. The newsletter is distributed by the National Park Service Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance (RTCA) program to a list of voluntary subscribers. The RTCA program maintains the distribution list. This survey will assist us in determining what can be done to improve the content, accessibility, delivery, and usefulness of the Conservation + Recreation electronic newsletter.

#### **DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:**

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** (Check one)

The survey respondents are individuals who are on the RTCA distribution list. The list is entirely self-registered, so registered recipients have signed up to receive the newsletter and any pertinent information.

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[ ] Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form	[x] Customer Satisfaction Survey
[ ] Usability Testing (e.g., Website or Software	[ ] Small Discussion Group
[] Focus Group	[ ] Other:

### **CERTIFICATION:**

I certify the following to be true:

- 1. The collection is voluntary.
- 2. The collection is low-burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
- 3. The collection is non-controversial and does <u>not</u> raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
- 4. The results are <u>not</u> intended to be disseminated to the public.
- 5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of <u>substantially</u> informing <u>influential</u> policy decisions.
- 6. The collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the future.

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To assist review, please provide answers to the following questions:

# **Personally Identifiable Information:**

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? [] Yes [x] No

2.	If Yes, is the information that will be collected included in records that are subject to th
	Privacy Act of 1974? [] Yes [] No

3. If Applicable, has a System or Records Notice been published? [] Yes [] No

# **Gifts or Payments:**

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants?  $[\ ]$  Yes [x] No

### **BURDEN HOURS**

Category of Respondent	No. of Respondents	Participation Time	Burden
Individuals	100	10 minutes	17 hours
Totals	100	10 minutes	17 hours

FEDERAL COST:	The estimated	annual o	cost to the	Federal	government i	is
\$303.30						

The bulk of the work is being conducted pro bono by two graduate students from The George Washington University. We estimate 10 hours of time for a Program Analyst, GS-07 step 1 to oversee the survey. We used the Office of Personnel Management Salary Table 2012-DCB to obtain the hourly salary rate. We multiplied the salary rate (\$20.22) by 1.5 to account for benefits in accordance with BLS news release USDL-12-1830, September 11, 2012, resulting in an hourly rate of \$30.33.

# If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

# The selection of your targeted respondents

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe?

[x] Yes[] No

If the answer is yes, please provide a description of both below (or attach the sampling plan). If the answer is no, please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them.

We have a list of newsletter subscribers that will be used for the distribution of the survey. However, we are not planning to sample the potential respondents. We will send the survey to everyone on the list.

#### **Administration of the Instrument**

How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)

 [x] Web-based or other forms of Social Media
 [] Telephone
 [] In-person
 [] Mail
 [] Other, Explain

 Will interviewers or facilitators be used? [] Yes [x] No

Please make sure that all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.

# Instructions for completing Request for Approval under the "Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback"

**TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:** Provide the name of the collection that is the subject of the request. (e.g., Comment card for soliciting feedback on xxxx)

**PURPOSE:** Provide a brief description of the purpose of this collection and how it will be used. If this is part of a larger study or effort, please include this in your explanation.

**DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS**: Provide a brief description of the targeted group or groups for this collection of information. These groups must have experience with the program.

**TYPE OF COLLECTION:** Check one box. If you are requesting approval of other instruments under the generic, you must complete a form for each instrument.

**CERTIFICATION:** Please read the certification carefully. If you incorrectly certify, the collection will be returned as improperly submitted or it will be disapproved.

**Personally Identifiable Information:** Provide answers to the questions.

**Gifts or Payments:** If you answer yes to the question, please describe the incentive and provide a justification for the amount.

### **BURDEN HOURS:**

**Category of Respondents:** Identify who you expect the respondents to be in terms of the following categories: (1) Individuals or Households; (2) Private Sector; (3) State, local, or tribal governments; or (4) Federal Government. Only one type of respondent can be selected.

**No. of Respondents:** Provide an estimate of the Number of respondents.

**Participation Time:** Provide an estimate of the amount of time required for a respondent to participate (e.g., fill out a survey or participate in a focus group)

**Burden:** Provide the Annual burden hours: Multiply the Number of responses and the participation time in minutes and divide by 60.

**FEDERAL COST:** Provide an estimate of the annual cost to the Federal government.

If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

**The selection of your targeted respondents.** Please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them. If the answer is yes, to the first question, you may provide the sampling plan in an attachment.

**Administration of the Instrument:** Identify how the information will be collected. More than one box may be checked. Indicate whether there will be interviewers (e.g., for surveys) or facilitators (e.g., for focus groups) used.

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