

**SUPPORTING STATEMENT A FOR
PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT SUBMISSION**

**Regulatory Authorizations for Migratory Bird and Eagle Possession by the
General Public, Educators, and Government Agencies; 50 CFR 21 and 22**

OMB Control Number 1018-New

Terms of Clearance: None. This is a request for a new control number in conjunction with RIN 1018-BC76, “Regulatory Authorizations for Migratory Bird and Eagle Possession by the General Public, Educators, and Government Agencies.”

1. Explain the circumstances that make the collection of information necessary. Identify any legal or administrative requirements that necessitate the collection.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is the Federal agency delegated with the primary responsibility for managing migratory birds, including bald eagles and golden eagles. Our authority derives primarily from the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA, 16 U.S.C. 703 *et seq.*), which implements conventions with Great Britain (for Canada), Mexico, Japan, and the Russian Federation. The MBTA protects certain migratory birds from take, except as permitted under the MBTA. We implement the provisions of the MBTA through regulations in parts 10, 13, 20, 21, and 22 of title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). Regulations pertaining to migratory bird permits are set forth at 50 CFR part 21. In addition, the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (Eagle Protection Act; 16 U.S.C. 668–668d) prohibits take of bald eagles and golden eagles except pursuant to Federal regulations. The Eagle Protection Act authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to issue regulations to permit the “taking” of eagles for various purposes, including the protection of “other interests in any particular locality” (16 U.S.C. 668a), provided the taking is compatible with the preservation of eagles. Regulations pertaining to eagle permits are set forth at 50 CFR part 22.

We prepared proposed regulations (RIN 1018-BC76) to revise current regulatory authorizations and add new regulatory authorizations for possession of migratory birds and eagles and other purposes. These proposed changes would more efficiently and appropriately provide authorization to the general public, educators, and government agency employees while meeting our obligations under the MBTA and the Eagle Protection Act. The Service has long authorized activities under regulatory authorizations. The origins of the regulatory authorization “general exceptions to permit requirements” (50 CFR 21.12) can be traced back as far as 1944. With this proposed rulemaking action, we seek to address the need for better organization and transparency by redesignating the existing regulatory authorizations codified at 50 CFR 21.12(a)–(d) to their own sections. We propose revisions to these current regulations to add clarity and consistency. The Service also proposes new regulatory authorizations. Finally, we propose to modify the limitations on permits under the Airborne Hunting Act regulations (50 CFR part 19) to support emerging uses of technology for bird conservation.

2. Indicate how, by whom, and for what purpose the information is to be used. Except for a new collection, indicate the actual use the agency has made of the information received from the current collection. Be specific. If this collection is a form or a questionnaire, every question needs to be justified.

The information collections identified are subject to approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA; 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*):

- 1) **Written Petitions – Request for Waiver from Disqualification (50 CFR 21.5)**
A conviction, or entry of a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, for a felony violation of the Lacey Act (18 U.S.C. 42, as amended), the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703–712), or the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (16 U.S.C. 668–668d) disqualifies any such person from exercising the authorization granted by regulation or permit under part 21, unless such disqualification has been expressly waived by the Director in response to a written petition.
- 2) **Obtaining Landowner Permission to Access Land (50 CFR 21.16)**
Regulations do not grant land access. Authorized individuals requiring access are responsible for obtaining permission from landowners when necessary and for complying with other applicable laws.
- 3) **3rd Party Notifications – National Eagle Repository (50 CFR 21.16)**
Authorized individuals who salvage a whole bald eagle or golden eagle (eagle), part of an eagle (e.g., wing or tail), or feathers must immediately contact the National Eagle Repository and follow the Repository's instructions on transferring the eagle, parts, or feathers to the Repository.
- 4) **3rd Party Notifications – Transfer of Live Migratory Birds (50 CFR 21.20)**
Within 48 hours after hospitalization is no longer required, live migratory birds must be transferred to a federally permitted migratory bird rehabilitator. If unable to transfer a bird within that time, authorized individuals must contact your regional migratory bird permit office for assistance in locating a permitted migratory bird rehabilitator, authorization to continue care, or a recommendation to euthanize the bird.
- 5) **3rd Party Notifications – Endangered and Threatened Wildlife (50 CFR 21.20)**
Licensed veterinarians must notify the appropriate Ecological Services Office within 24 hours of receiving a migratory bird that is also on the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife (50 CFR 17.11).
- 6) **Requests for Written Authorization – National Eagle Repository (50 CFR 22.15)**
Eagle specimens salvaged from the wild after [EFFECTIVE DATE OF FINAL RULE] must have written authorization from the National Eagle Repository for exhibition use.
- 7) **Agency Designation Letter (50 CFR 21.34)**
Individuals under the direct supervision of an agency employee (e.g., volunteers or agents under contract to the agency) may, within the scope of their official duties, conduct the activities authorized by this authorization. An authorized individual must have a designation letter from the agency describing the activities that may be conducted by the individual and any date and location restrictions that apply.
- 8) **Law Enforcement Authorization (50 CFR 21.40)**
Law enforcement personnel may designate authorization to non-law-enforcement personnel to acquire, possess, transport, or dispose of migratory birds on the behalf of law enforcement under this authorization. Designations must include the name and contact information of the individual designated, date(s) valid, activities authorized, and name and contact information of the authorizing agent.

9) 3rd Party Notifications – Federally Permitted Rehabilitator (50 CFR 21.14, 21.34)

Authorized individuals must immediately contact a federally permitted migratory bird rehabilitator and follow the rehabilitator's instructions when:

- § 21.14 – Any birds removed by trapping must be immediately released to the wild in a humane and healthful manner, unless the bird becomes exhausted, ill, injured, or orphaned. In that case, the authorized individual must immediately contact a federally permitted migratory bird rehabilitator and follow the rehabilitator's instructions.
- § 21.14 – Authorized individuals may remove nests, eggs, and nestlings from the interior of a human-occupied building or structure. They are encouraged to seek the assistance of a federally permitted migratory bird rehabilitator or their regional Migratory Bird Permit Office prior to removing eggs or nestlings.
- § 21.34 – Natural resource agency employees may transport sick, injured, or orphaned birds in accordance with § 21.76(a). If transport is not feasible within 24 hours, they must follow the instructions of a federally permitted migratory bird rehabilitator to provide supportive care, retain in an appropriate enclosure for up to 72 hours, or euthanize the bird(s).

10) Tagging Requirements (50 CFR 21.16, 21.18)

- § 21.16 – Specimens intended for donation with the date, location of salvage, and the name and contact information of the person who salvaged the specimen. The tag must remain with the specimen.
- § 21.18 – Each migratory bird specimen must remain tagged with the species, date, location, name of the donor, and donor's authorization for acquisition. Specimen tags may be temporarily removed during educational programs.
- § 22.15 – Each eagle specimen must remain tagged with the species, date, location, name of the donor, and the donor's authorization for acquisition. Specimen tags may be temporarily removed during educational programs.

11) Law Enforcement Notifications (50 CFR 21.16, 21.32)

- § 21.16 – Authorized individuals must notify the Service Office of Law Enforcement if illegal activity is suspected or if five or more birds are found dead and there is a risk of mortality due to disease.
- § 21.32 – Authorized individuals investigating mortality events must notify the Service Office of Law Enforcement if illegal activity is suspected.

12) Verification of Legal Acquisition (50 CFR 21.18, 22.15)

- § 21.18 – Migratory bird specimens must be acquired from person(s) authorized by permit or regulation to possess and donate such items. Authorized individuals are responsible for ensuring specimens were legally acquired.
- § 22.15 – Bald eagle and golden eagle specimens must be acquired from person(s) authorized by permit or regulation to possess and donate such items. Authorized individuals are responsible for ensuring specimens were legally acquired.

13) Records Retention Requirements (50 CFR 21.16, 21.18, 21.20, 22.15)

- § 21.16 – Authorized individuals must maintain records of all donated bird(s), including eagles sent to the National Eagle Repository for 5 years. Records must include species, specimen type, date, location salvaged, and recipient. At any reasonable time upon request by the Service, the authorized individual must allow

the Service to inspect any bird(s) held under this authorization and to review any records kept.

- § 21.18 – Authorized individuals must maintain accurate records of operations on a calendar-year basis and retain these records for 5 years. Records must reflect the programs conducted, each specimen in possession, and, if applicable, specimen disposition. At any reasonable time upon request by the Service, the authorized individual must allow the Service to inspect any migratory bird specimen(s) held under this regulatory authorization and review any records kept.
- § 21.20 – Licensed veterinarians must keep records for 5 years of all migratory birds held and treated under this authorization, including those euthanized. Records must include the species of bird, the type of injury, the date of acquisition, the date of death, cause of death, and disposition (e.g., live bird transferred, remains destroyed, or remains donated). Authorized individuals must present upon request of inspection such specimens and documents at any reasonable time.
- § 21.34 – Agencies must keep records for 5 years of activities conducted under this authorization. The records must include the species and number of bird(s), the type of activity, date, and disposition.
- § 22.15 – Authorized individuals must maintain accurate records of operations on a calendar-year basis and retain these records for 5 years. Records must reflect the programs conducted, each specimen in possession, and, if applicable, specimen disposition. Exhibition use of specimens under the regulations in this section authorizes the Service to inspect any eagle specimens held under this regulatory authorization and review any records kept at any reasonable time. Authorized individuals must present such specimens and documents for inspection upon request.

14) 3rd Party Notifications – Educational Programs (50 CFR 21.18)

- § 21.18 – Migratory bird specimens must be used for public educational programs or held for public archival purposes. Programs must include information about migratory bird ecology, biology, or conservation.
- § 21.18 – Specimens held for archival purposes must be properly archived and readily accessible to the public for research purposes.
- § 22.15 – Eagle specimens must be used for public educational programs or held for public archival purposes. Programs must include information about eagle ecology, biology, or conservation.

15) Notification Requirement – States (50 CFR 19.31)

Upon issuance of a permit by a State to a person pursuant to this section, the issuing authority will provide immediate notification to the Special Agent in Charge having jurisdiction.

16) Annual Report – State Issuance of Permits (50 CFR 19.31)

Any State issuing permits to persons to engage in airborne hunting or harassing of wildlife or any State whose employees or agents participate in airborne hunting or harassing of wildlife for purposes of administering or protecting land, water, wildlife, livestock, domestic animals, human life or crops, shall file with the Director, an annual report on or before July 1 for the preceding calendar year ending December 31.

Reporting Requirement – Federal Bird Bands (50 CFR 21.16)

Authorized individuals who encounter a migratory bird with a Federal band must report the band to the U.S. Geological Survey Bird Banding Laboratory. **NOTE:** *This requirement, referenced in Service regulations as a requirement in § 21.16, is already approved by OMB under Control No. 1028-0082. The burden is not included in this submission.*

3. Describe whether, and to what extent, the collection of information involves the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses, and the basis for the decision for adopting this means of collection. Also describe any consideration of using information technology to reduce burden and specifically how this collection meets GPEA requirements.

This is a nonform collection. Information collection requirements requiring designation letters or authorizations may be completed via email.

4. Describe efforts to identify duplication. Show specifically why any similar information already available cannot be used or modified for use for the purposes described in Item 2 above.

The Service is the Federal agency delegated with the primary responsibility for managing migratory birds, including bald eagles and golden eagles under the MBTA. The information that we collect is not available from any other source.

5. If the collection of information impacts small businesses or other small entities, describe any methods used to minimize burden.

We collect only the minimum information necessary to establish eligibility of individuals for migratory bird and eagle possession under regulatory authorizations.

6. Describe the consequence to Federal program or policy activities if the collection is not conducted or is conducted less frequently, as well as any technical or legal obstacles to reducing burden.

If we do not collect the information, or if we collect the information less frequently, we would be unable to implement many Federally mandated wildlife protection programs.

7. Explain any special circumstances that would cause an information collection to be conducted in a manner:

- * requiring respondents to report information to the agency more often than quarterly;
- * requiring respondents to prepare a written response to a collection of information in fewer than 30 days after receipt of it;
- * requiring respondents to submit more than an original and two copies of any document;
- * requiring respondents to retain records, other than health, medical, government contract, grant-in-aid, or tax records, for more than three years;
- * in connection with a statistical survey that is not designed to produce valid and reliable results that can be generalized to the universe of study;
- * requiring the use of a statistical data classification that has not been reviewed and approved by OMB;

- * that includes a pledge of confidentiality that is not supported by authority established in statute or regulation, that is not supported by disclosure and data security policies that are consistent with the pledge, or which unnecessarily impedes sharing of data with other agencies for compatible confidential use; or
- * requiring respondents to submit proprietary trade secrets, or other confidential information, unless the agency can demonstrate that it has instituted procedures to protect the information's confidentiality to the extent permitted by law.

There are no special circumstances requiring collection of the information in a manner inconsistent with OMB guidelines.

8. If applicable, provide a copy and identify the date and page number of publication in the Federal Register of the agency's notice, required by 5 CFR 1320.8(d), soliciting comments on the information collection prior to submission to OMB. Summarize public comments received in response to that notice and in response to the PRA statement associated with the collection over the past three years, and describe actions taken by the agency in response to these comments. Specifically address comments received on cost and hour burden.

Describe efforts to consult with persons outside the agency to obtain their views on the availability of data, frequency of collection, the clarity of instructions and recordkeeping, disclosure, or reporting format (if any), and on the data elements to be recorded, disclosed, or reported.

Consultation with representatives of those from whom information is to be obtained or those who must compile records should occur at least once every three years — even if the collection of information activity is the same as in prior periods. There may be circumstances that may preclude consultation in a specific situation. These circumstances should be explained.

We prepared proposed regulations (RIN 1018-BC76) soliciting the necessary information to authorize possession of migratory birds and eagles under the MBTA. A copy of the proposed rule is attached. The proposed rule solicits public comment for a period of 60 days on the information collection requirements described in this supporting statement.

9. Explain any decision to provide any payment or gift to respondents, other than remuneration of contractors or grantees.

We do not provide payments or gifts to respondents.

10. Describe any assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents and the basis for the assurance in statute, regulation, or agency policy.

We do not provide any assurance of confidentiality. Information is collected and protected in accordance with the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. § 552a) and the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552). We will maintain the information in a secure System of Records (Permits System—Interior, FWS—21, September 4, 2003, 68 FR 52610; modification published June 4, 2008, [73 FR 31877](#)).

11. Provide additional justification for any questions of a sensitive nature, such as sexual behavior and attitudes, religious beliefs, and other matters that are commonly

considered private. This justification should include the reasons why the agency considers the questions necessary, the specific uses to be made of the information, the explanation to be given to persons from whom the information is requested, and any steps to be taken to obtain their consent.

We do not ask questions of a sensitive nature.

12. Provide estimates of the hour burden of the collection of information. The statement should:

- * Indicate the number of respondents, frequency of response, annual hour burden, and an explanation of how the burden was estimated. Unless directed to do so, agencies should not conduct special surveys to obtain information on which to base hour burden estimates. Consultation with a sample (fewer than 10) of potential respondents is desirable. If the hour burden on respondents is expected to vary widely because of differences in activity, size, or complexity, show the range of estimated hour burden, and explain the reasons for the variance. Generally, estimates should not include burden hours for customary and usual business practices.
- * If this request for approval covers more than one form, provide separate hour burden estimates for each form and aggregate the hour burdens.
- * Provide estimates of annualized cost to respondents for the hour burdens for collections of information, identifying and using appropriate wage rate categories. The cost of contracting out or paying outside parties for information collection activities should not be included here.

We estimate that we will receive **3,999 responses** totaling **3,110 annual burden hours** for this information collection (see Attachment A). The estimated total dollar value of the annual burden hours is **\$154,482** (rounded).

We used table 1 from the of Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) [News Release](#) USDL-23-0488, March 17, 2023, Employer Costs for Employee Compensation—December 2022, to calculate the total annual burden.

- Individuals – the table lists the hourly rate for all workers as \$42.48, including benefits.
- Private Sector – the table lists the hourly rate for all workers as \$40.23, including benefits.
- Government – the table lists the hourly rate for all workers as \$57.60, including benefits.

We used a placeholder of 1 response to indicate it is possible that we might receive a submission, but we do not expect responses on an annual basis.

Requirement	Average Number of Annual Respondents	Average Number of Responses Each	Average Number of Annual Responses	Average Completion Time per Response	Estimated Annual Burden Hours*	Hourly Rate	\$ Value of Annual Burden Hours
Written Petitions – Request for Waiver from Disqualification (50 CFR 21.5)							
<i>Individuals</i>	1	1	1	1	1	\$ 42.48	\$ 42.48
<i>Private Sector</i>	1	1	1	1	1	40.23	40.23
<i>Government</i>	1	1	1	1	1	57.60	57.60
Obtaining Landowner Permission to Access Land (50 CFR 21.16)							
<i>Individuals</i>	1	1	1	0.25	0	\$ 42.48	\$ 0.00
<i>Private Sector</i>	1	1	1	0.25	0	40.23	0.00
<i>Government</i>	1	1	1	0.25	0	57.60	0.00

3rd Party Notifications – National Eagle Repository (50 CFR 21.16)							
Individuals	25	1	25	0.25	6	\$ 42.48	\$ 254.88
Private Sector	25	1	25	0.25	6	40.23	241.38
Government	50	1	50	0.25	13	57.60	748.80
3rd Party Notifications – Transfer of Live Migratory Birds (50 CFR 21.20)							
Individuals	1	1	1	1	1	\$ 42.48	\$ 42.48
Private Sector	100	1	100	1	100	40.23	4,023.00
Government	1	1	1	1	1	57.60	57.60
3rd Party Notifications – Endangered and Threatened Wildlife (50 CFR 21.20)							
Individuals	1	1	1	0.25	0	\$ 42.48	\$ 0.00
Private Sector	10	1	10	0.25	3	40.23	120.69
Government	1	1	1	0.25	0	57.60	0.00
Requests for Written Authorization – National Eagle Repository (50 CFR 22.15)							
Individuals	1	1	1	0.25	0	\$ 42.48	\$ 0.00
Private Sector	1	1	1	0.25	0	40.23	0.00
Government	2	1	2	0.25	1	57.60	57.60
Agency Designation Letter (50 CFR 21.34)							
Individuals	1	1	1	0.5	1	\$ 42.48	\$ 42.48
Private Sector	1	1	1	0.5	1	40.23	40.23
Government	20	1	20	0.5	10	57.60	576.00
Law Enforcement Authorization (50 CFR 21.40)							
Government	1	1	1	0.5	1	\$ 57.60	\$ 57.60
3rd Party Notifications – Federally Permitted Rehabilitator (50 CFR 21.14, 21.34)							
Individuals	100	1	100	0.25	25	\$ 42.48	\$ 1,062.00
Private Sector	25	1	25	0.25	6	40.23	241.38
Government	5	1	5	0.25	1	57.60	57.60
Tagging Requirements (50 CFR 21.16, 21.18)							
Individuals	100	1	100	0.25	25	\$ 42.48	\$ 1,062.00
Private Sector	300	1	300	0.25	75	40.23	3,017.25
Government	500	1	500	0.25	125	57.60	7,200.00
Law Enforcement Notifications (50 CFR 21.16, 21.32)							
Individuals	1	1	1	0.25	0	\$ 42.48	\$ 0.00
Private Sector	1	1	1	0.25	0	40.23	0.00
Government	3	1	3	0.25	1	57.60	57.60
Verification of Legal Acquisition (50 CFR 21.18, 22.15)							
Individuals	1	1	1	0.25	0	\$ 42.48	\$ 0.00
Private Sector	5	1	5	0.25	1	40.23	40.23
Government	10	1	10	0.25	3	57.60	172.80
Records Retention Requirements (50 CFR 21.16, 21.18, 21.20, 22.15)							
Individuals	200	1	200	1	200	\$ 42.48	\$ 8,496.00
Private Sector	600	1	600	1	600	40.23	24,138.00
Government	1,000	1	1,000	1	1,000	57.60	57,600.00
3rd Party Notifications – Educational Programs (50 CFR 21.18)							
Individuals	1	1	1	1	1	\$ 42.48	\$ 42.48
Private Sector	400	1	1	1	400	40.23	16,092.00
Government	500	1	500	1	500	57.60	28,800.00
Notification Requirement – States (50 CFR 19.31)							
Government	1	1	1	0.25	0	\$ 57.60	\$ 0.00
Annual Report – State Issuance of Permits (50 CFR 19.31)							
Government	1	1	1	1	1	\$ 57.60	\$ 57.60
TOTALS:	4,001		4,001		3,111		\$ 154,482.39

*Rounded

13. Provide an estimate of the total annual non-hour cost burden to respondents or recordkeepers resulting from the collection of information. (Do not include the cost of any hour burden already reflected in item 12.)

- * The cost estimate should be split into two components: (a) a total capital and start-up cost component (annualized over its expected useful life) and (b) a total operation and maintenance and purchase of services component. The estimates should take into account costs associated with generating, maintaining, and

disclosing or providing the information (including filing fees paid for form processing). Include descriptions of methods used to estimate major cost factors including system and technology acquisition, expected useful life of capital equipment, the discount rate(s), and the time period over which costs will be incurred. Capital and start-up costs include, among other items, preparations for collecting information such as purchasing computers and software; monitoring, sampling, drilling and testing equipment; and record storage facilities.

- * If cost estimates are expected to vary widely, agencies should present ranges of cost burdens and explain the reasons for the variance. The cost of purchasing or contracting out information collection services should be a part of this cost burden estimate. In developing cost burden estimates, agencies may consult with a sample of respondents (fewer than 10), utilize the 60-day pre-OMB submission public comment process and use existing economic or regulatory impact analysis associated with the rulemaking containing the information collection, as appropriate.
- * Generally, estimates should not include purchases of equipment or services, or portions thereof, made: (1) prior to October 1, 1995, (2) to achieve regulatory compliance with requirements not associated with the information collection, (3) for reasons other than to provide information or keep records for the government, or (4) as part of customary and usual business or private practices.

There are no nonhour cost burdens associated with this collection.

14. Provide estimates of annualized cost to the Federal government. Also, provide a description of the method used to estimate cost, which should include quantification of hours, operational expenses (such as equipment, overhead, printing, and support staff), and any other expense that would not have been incurred without this collection of information.

We estimate the total cost to the Federal Government to administer this information collection will be **\$1,722** (rounded).

Service biologists (GS-11/13) and permit examiners (GS-9/12), with support of GS-7 staff, will:

- Review and determine the adequacy of the information an applicant provides.
- Conduct any internal research necessary to verify information in the application or evaluate the biological impact of the proposed activity.
- Assess the biological impact of the proposed activity.
- Evaluate whether the proposed activity meets the issuance criteria.
- Prepare or review NEPA documentation.
- Prepare either a permit or a denial letter for the applicant.
- When necessary to evaluate the impact of the proposed activity, visit the location to examine site-specific conditions.
- Monitor reports.

Permits are processed in our eight Regional Offices, which are located in major cities across the United States. Therefore, we used Office of Personnel Management Salary Table [2023-DCB](#) to obtain the most up-to-date hourly rates for staff. In accordance with BLS [News Release](#) USDL-22-2307, we multiplied the hourly rate by 1.61 to calculate the fully burdened rates for each staff member. The table below shows Federal staff and grade levels performing various tasks associated with this information collection.

Position/Grade	2023 Hourly Rate	Hourly Rate, Incl. Benefits (x1.61 multiplier)	Time Spent on Information	Weighted Average (\$/Hour)
Clerical – Receptionist, Office Asst. (GS-07/05)	\$ 28.84	\$ 46.43	5%	\$ 2.32
Legal documents examiner – Permit Examiner (GS-09/05)	35.27	56.78	30%	17.04
Legal documents examiner - Permit Examiner (GS-11/05)	42.68	68.71	30%	20.61
Biologist (GS-11/05)	42.68	68.71	10%	6.87
Supervisor – Permit Chief (GS-12/05)	51.15	82.35	20%	16.47
Management - Branch/Division Chief, Solicitor (GS-13/05)	60.83	97.94	5%	4.90
Weighted Average (\$/hr)				\$ 68.21

Activity	Number of Responses (From Q12)	Govt Hours (Total)	Weighted Average (\$/hr)	Total Cost
Written Petitions – Request for Waiver from Disqualification (50 CFR 21.5)	3	3	\$ 68.21	\$ 204.63
3rd Party Notifications – National Eagle Repository (50 CFR 21.16)	100	8	68.21	545.68
3rd Party Notifications – Transfer of Live Migratory Birds (50 CFR 21.20)	102	8	68.21	545.68
3rd Party Notifications – Endangered and Threatened Wildlife (50 CFR 21.20)	12	1	68.21	68.21
Requests for Written Authorization – National Eagle Repository (50 CFR 22.15)	4	1	68.21	68.21
Agency Designation Letter (50 CFR 21.34)	22	2	68.21	136.42
Law Enforcement Authorization (50 CFR 21.40)	1	0.25	68.21	17.05
Law Enforcement Notifications (50 CFR 21.16, 21.32)	5	1	68.21	68.21
Annual Report – State Issuance of Permits (50 CFR 19.31)	1	1	68.21	68.21
TOTAL GOVERNMENT COST:	3,999	25.25		\$ 1,722.30

15. Explain the reasons for any program changes or adjustments in hour or cost burden.

This is a request for a new OMB control number in conjunction with information collection associated with our proposed rule (RIN 1018-BC76) as described in question 2 above.

16. For collections of information whose results will be published, outline plans for tabulation and publication. Address any complex analytical techniques that will be used. Provide the time schedule for the entire project, including beginning and ending dates of the collection of information, completion of report, publication dates, and other actions.

We will not publish the results of this information collection.

17. If seeking approval to not display the expiration date for OMB approval of the information collection, explain the reasons that display would be inappropriate.

We will display the OMB control number and expiration date.

18. Explain each exception to the topics of the certification statement identified in "Certification for Paperwork Reduction Act Submissions."

There are no exceptions to the certification statement.