

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement**

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Number 1029-0035]

**Agency Information Collection
Activities; Surface and Underground
Mining Permit Applications—Minimum
Requirements for Information on
Environmental Resources**

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection;
request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we,
the Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE),
are proposing to renew an information
collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to
submit comments on or before February
10, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and
recommendations for the proposed
information collection should be sent
within 30 days of publication of this
notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/
PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular
information collection by selecting
“Currently under 30-day Review—Open
for Public Comments” or by using the
search function. Please provide a copy
of your comments to Mark Gehlhar,
Office of Surface Mining Reclamation
and Enforcement, 1849 C Street NW,
Room 1544—MIB, Washington, DC
20240, or by email to [mgehlhar@
osmre.gov](mailto:mgehlhar@osmre.gov). Please reference OMB
Control Number 1029-0035 in the
subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To
request additional information about
this ICR, contact Mark Gehlhar by email
at mgehlhar@osmre.gov, or by telephone
at (202) 208-2716. Individuals in the
United States who are deaf, deafblind,
hard of hearing, or have a speech
disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or
TeleBraille) to access
telecommunications relay services.
Individuals outside the United States
should use the relay services offered
within their country to make
international calls to the point-of-
contact in the United States. You may
also view the ICR at [http://
www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In
accordance with the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA; 44 U.S.C.
3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), we

provide the general public and other
Federal agencies with an opportunity to
comment on new, proposed, revised,
and continuing collections of
information. This helps us assess the
impact of our information collection
requirements and minimize the public’s
reporting burden. It also helps the
public understand our information
collection requirements and provide the
requested data in the desired format.

A **Federal Register** notice with a 60-
day public comment period soliciting
comments on this collection of
information was published on August
28, 2024 (89 FR 68927). No comments
were received.

As part of our continuing effort to
reduce paperwork and respondent
burdens, we are again soliciting
comments from the public and other
Federal agencies on the proposed ICR
that is described below. We are
especially interested in public comment
addressing the following:

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

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the
burden for this collection of
information, including the validity of
the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality,
utility, and clarity of the information to
be collected; and

(4) How might the agency minimize
the burden of the collection of
information on those who are to
respond, including through the use of
appropriate automated, electronic,
mechanical, or other technological
collection techniques or other forms of
information technology, *e.g.*, permitting
electronic submission of response.

Comments that you submit in
response to this notice are a matter of
public record. Before including your
address, phone number, email 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.

Abstract: Applicants for surface and
underground coal mining permits are
required to provide adequate
descriptions of the environmental
resources that may be affected by
proposed mining activities. The
information will be used by the
regulatory authority to determine if the

applicant can comply with
environmental protection performance
standards.

Title of Collection: Surface and
Underground Mining Permit
Applications—Minimum Requirements
for Information on Environmental
Resources.

OMB Control Number: 1029-0035.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a
currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public:
Businesses and State governments.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Respondents:** 123.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Responses:** 970.

**Estimated Completion Time per
Response:** Varies from 1 hour to 415
hours, depending on activity.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Burden Hours:** 86,776.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to
obtain or retain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: One Time.

**Total Estimated Annual Nonhour
Burden Cost:** \$0.

An agency may not conduct or
sponsor and a person is not required to
respond to a collection of information
unless it displays a currently valid OMB
control number.

The authority for this action is the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44
U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

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Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and
Enforcement.*

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**Agency Information Collection
Activities; Maintenance of State
Programs and Procedures for
Substituting Federal Enforcement of
State Programs and Withdrawing
Approval of State Programs**

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection;
request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we,
the Office of Surface Mining
Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE),