

Conformance With Statutory and Regulatory Authorities

This final rule is administrative in nature and reflects organizational changes within the U.S. Department of the Interior. Accordingly, as this is a matter relating to agency management, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2), notice of proposed rulemaking and opportunity for comment are not required, and this rule may be made effective less than 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. Therefore, we are making this final rule effective upon publication (07/18/2025).

Because this is a rule that is limited to agency organization, this rule is exempt from the provisions of Executive Order 12866 (see section 3(d)(3) of E.O. 12866). This action is not a rule as defined by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (see 5 U.S.C. 601(2)), as amended by the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996 (title II of Pub. L. 104–121, March 29, 1996), and thus is exempt from the provisions of those Acts. Nonetheless, OIRA determined this rule to be not significant on May 9, 2025. In addition, because this rule is a rule of agency organization, procedure, or practice that does not substantially affect the rights or obligations of non-agency parties, it is not included in the definition of “rule” under the Congressional Review Act (see 5 U.S.C. 804(3)).