

period, to the extent possible. For comments that cannot be addressed prior to the public review period, the comments will be included with the public review period comments and addressed at that time. The Harris County Flood Control District in conjunction with USACE will host no less than ten Public Scoping Meetings (both virtual and in person) from July to August 2025. A Public Notice will be available on the project website: theSAFERstudy.org. Public news releases announcing the scoping period timeframe; public meeting dates, times, and locations; and where to send comments will be published in the appropriate local newspapers, on the project website, and will be distributed to the local stakeholders and known interested parties.

5. *Coordination.* USACE will prepare the EIS based on information and analyses provided by the Flood Control District or analyses conducted by USACE as part of a technical assistance agreement with the Flood Control District under the authority of Section 203 of WRDA 1986, as amended. Other Federal and state agencies have been invited to participate throughout the study process as Coordinating or Participating Agencies. Further coordination with environmental agencies will be conducted by USACE under the NEPA, the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act, the Clean Air Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, and the Coastal Zone Management Act.

6. *Availability of Draft EIS:* The Draft EIS is estimated to be available for public review and comment during the fall of 2026. At that time, a minimum of a 45-day public review period will be provided for individuals and agencies to review and comment. USACE will notify all interested agencies, organizations, and individuals of the availability of the draft document at that time. Pertinent information about the study can be found at: theSAFERstudy.org or after publication of the draft EIS at: <https://www.swg.usace.army.mil/Business-With-Us/Planning-Environmental-Branch/Documents-for-Public-Review/>. To request a hard copy of the draft EIS, please contact Mr. Danny Allen by phone at 512-461-6579, or by email at

Daniel.Allen@usace.army.mil. Please include your mailing address.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) invites public comment on a proposed information collection that DOE is developing for submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed collection must be received on or before July 28, 2025. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, please advise the DOE Desk Officer at OMB of your intention to make a submission as soon as possible. The Desk Officer may be telephoned at 202-395-4718.

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. Find this information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beth Kelly, Deputy Assistant General Counsel, (202) 246-6500, or beth.kelly@hq.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the extended collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

This information collection request contains:

(1) *OMB No.:* 1910-5115;

(2) *Information Collection Request Title:* Contractor Legal Management Requirements;

(3) *Type of Review:* Extension;

(4) *Purpose:* The information collection to be extended has been and will be used to form the basis for DOE actions on requests from the contractors for reimbursement of litigation and other legal expenses; and, the information collected related to annual legal budget, staffing and resource plans, and initiation or settlement of defensive or offensive litigation is and will be similarly used;

(5) *Annual Estimated Number of Respondents:* 45;

(6) *Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses:* 154;

(7) *Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours:* 1150;

(8) *Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden:* 0.

Statutory Authority: Section 161 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, 42 U.S.C. 2201, the Department of Energy Organization Act, 42 U.S.C. 7101, *et seq.*, and the National Nuclear Security Administration Act, 50 U.S.C. 2401, *et seq.*

Signing Authority

This document of the Department of Energy was signed on June 23, 2025, by Jeffrey Novak, Acting General Counsel, pursuant to delegated authority from the Secretary of Energy. This document with the original signature and date is maintained by DOE. For administrative purposes only, and in compliance with requirements of the Office of the Federal Register, the undersigned DOE Federal Register Liaison Officer has been authorized to sign and submit the document in electronic format for publication, as an official document of the Department of Energy. This administrative process in no way alters the legal effect of this document upon publication in the **Federal Register**.

Signed in Washington, DC, on June 25, 2025.

Jennifer Hartzell,

Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, U.S. Department of Energy.

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