

## II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), along with Executive Order 13576, "Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government," and the President's Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; January 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by disclosing information to the public, we invite public comment on these permit applications before final action is taken. Under the MMPA, you may request a hearing on any MMPA application received. If you request a hearing, give specific reasons why a hearing would be appropriate. The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Service Director.

## III. Permit Applications

### A. Endangered Species

Atlanta Fulton County Zoo, Inc.,  
Atlanta, GA; PRT-008519

The applicant requests reissuance of their permit for scientific research with two captive-born giant pandas (*Ailuropoda melanoleuca*) and their offspring currently held under loan agreement with the Government of China and under provision of the USFWS Giant Panda Policy. The proposed research will cover all aspects of behavior, reproductive physiology, genetics, nutrition, and animal health and is a continuation of activities currently in progress. This notice covers activities conducted over a period of 5-years.

Applicant: Omar Gonzalez, Valley Center, CA; PRT-85788B

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following species to enhance species propagation or survival: yellow-crested cockatoo (*Cacatua sulphurea*), citron-crested cockatoo (*Cacatua sulphurea citrinocristata*), Cuban amazon (*Amazona leucocephala*), golden conure (*Guaruba guarouba*), great green macaw (*Ara ambiguus*), military macaw (*Ara militaris*), and blue-throated macaw (*Ara glaucogularis*). This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Bryan Moyer, Albrightsville, PA; PRT-99217B

The applicant requests a permit to import a sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

### B. Endangered Marine Mammals and Marine Mammals

Applicant: Laura Graham, Guelph, Ontario, Canada; PRT-90060B

The applicant requests a permit for take of captive-bred polar bears (*Ursus maritimus*) for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 3-year period.

Concurrent with publishing this notice in the **Federal Register**, we are forwarding copies of the above applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and the Committee of Scientific Advisors for their review.

### Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### U.S. Geological Survey

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### Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments

**AGENCY:** U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of a renewal of a currently approved information collection (1028-0107).

**SUMMARY:** We (the U.S. Geological Survey) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC. This collection is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2016.

**DATES:** To ensure that your comments are considered, we must receive them on or before August 30, 2016.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on this information collection to the

Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703) 648-7197 (fax); or [gs-info\\_collections@usgs.gov](mailto:gs-info_collections@usgs.gov) (email). Please reference 'Information Collection 1028-0107, Economic Contribution of Federal Investments in Restoration of Degraded, Damaged, or Destroyed Ecosystems' in all correspondence.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Catherine Cullinane Thomas, Fort Collins Science Center, U.S. Geological Survey, 2150 Centre Ave., Fort Collins, CO 80526 (mail); 970-226-9164 (phone); or [ccullinanethomas@usgs.gov](mailto:ccullinanethomas@usgs.gov) (email). You may also find information about this ICR at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Abstract

Federal investments in ecosystem restoration projects protect Federal trusts, ensure public health and safety, and preserve and enhance essential ecosystem services. These investments also generate business activity and create jobs. The Economic Impacts of Ecosystem Restoration project aims to increase the availability of information on the costs and activities associated with ecosystem restoration, and to gauge the economic effects of these investments to local economies. The project is comprised of a series of case studies that quantify the economic impacts of restoration projects. The case studies include examples of collaboratively funded and managed projects to restore a wide range of degraded, damaged, or destroyed ecosystems. In addition to providing improved information on the economic impacts of restoration, these case studies highlight DOI restoration efforts and tell personalized stories about each project and the communities that are positively affected by restoration activities. Project methods include the collection of primary expenditure data and economic input/output modeling. Results from the first phase of case studies are available online at <https://www.fort.usgs.gov/economic-impacts-restoration> and in a USGS report titled 'Estimating the economic impacts of ecosystem restoration—methods and case studies'. The report provides a detailed description of the methods used to estimate economic impacts of case study projects and also provides suggestions, lessons learned, and trade-offs between potential analysis methods. This second phase of case studies aims to refine the survey methods and fill in some data gaps on specific types of restoration activities.

## II. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 1028–0107.  
*Form Number:* NA.

*Title:* Economic Contribution of Federal Investments in Restoration of Degraded, Damaged, or Destroyed Ecosystems.

*Type of Request:* Renewal of existing information collection.

*Affected Public:* DOI restoration project managers and contractors working on selected case study restoration projects.

*Respondent's Obligation:* None. Participation is voluntary.

*Frequency of Collection:* One time only.

*Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses:* We expect to do up to 10 case studies per year. This will result in approximately 10 responses by project managers and approximately 30 responses by contractors, for a total of 40 responses per year. Most of the project managers are expected to be Federal employees.

*Estimated Time per Response:* Restoration project managers will complete a project summary survey and an expenditure survey, and will work with the USGS to coordinate contact with project contractors. It is expected that it will take project managers up to 4 hours to complete this activity. Project contractors will complete an expenditure survey. It is expected that it will take contractors no more than 1 hour to complete this activity.

*Estimated Annual Burden Hours:* Total estimated annual burden for this collection is no more than 70 hours per year.

*Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost"*  
*Burden:* There are no "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this IC.

*Public Disclosure Statement:* The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number and current expiration date.

## III. Request for Comments

We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your personal mailing address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personally identifiable information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**William Lellis,**

*Acting Associate Director, Ecosystems.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

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### Notice of Availability of the Proposed Resource Management Plan Amendment and Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Roan Plateau Planning Area, Colorado

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has prepared a Proposed Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment and Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Roan Plateau planning area and by this notice announces its availability.

**DATES:** BLM planning regulations state that any person who meets the conditions identified in the regulations may protest the BLM's Proposed RMP Amendment/Final Supplemental EIS. A person who meets the conditions and files a protest must file the protest within 30 days of the date that the Environmental Protection Agency publishes its Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the Roan Plateau Proposed RMP Amendment/Final Supplemental EIS have been sent to affected Federal, State and local government agencies and to other stakeholders. Copies of the Proposed RMP Amendment/Final Supplemental

EIS are also available for public inspection at the Colorado River Valley Field Office, 2300 River Frontage Road, Silt, CO 81652. Interested persons may also review the Proposed RMP Amendment/Final Supplemental EIS on the Internet at [www.blm.gov/co/st/en/BLM\\_Programs/land\\_use\\_planning/rmp/roan\\_plateau.html](http://www.blm.gov/co/st/en/BLM_Programs/land_use_planning/rmp/roan_plateau.html).

All protests must be in writing and mailed to one of the following addresses:

*Regular Mail:* BLM Director (210), Attention: Protest Coordinator, P.O. Box 71383, Washington, DC 20024–1383.

*Overnight Delivery:* BLM Director (210), Attention: Protest Coordinator, 20 M Street SE., Room 2134LM, Washington, DC 20003.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Greg Larson, Project Manager; telephone (970) 876–9048; see Colorado River Valley Field Office address above; email [glarson@blm.gov](mailto:glarson@blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The BLM prepared the Roan Plateau Proposed RMP Amendment/Final Supplemental EIS to evaluate a range of management decisions for resources, resource uses, and special designations in the planning area. The Proposed RMP/Final Supplemental EIS also responds to a June 22, 2012, ruling by the United States District Court for the District of Colorado remanding the 2007 Roan Plateau Record of Decision. The Court set aside the 2007 Roan Plateau RMP Amendment and remanded the matter to the BLM for further action in accordance with the Court's decision. In particular, the Court found that the Final EIS was deficient insofar as it failed to adequately address the: (i) "Community Alternative" that various local governments, environmental organizations and individual members of the public recommended during the planning process leading up to the 2007 plan amendment; (ii) Cumulative air-quality impacts of the RMP Amendment decision in conjunction with anticipated oil and gas development on private lands outside the Roan Plateau planning area; and (iii) Issue of potential ozone impacts from proposed oil and gas development. Based on the Court's ruling and new information available since the BLM developed the Final EIS,