

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 collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (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; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

All written comments will be available for public inspection by appointment with the Federal Consulting Group at the contact information given in the ADDRESSES section. The comments, with names and addresses, will be available for public view during regular business hours. If you wish us to withhold your personal information, you must prominently state at the beginning of your comment what personal information you want us to withhold. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law.

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 Office of Management and Budget control number.

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Jessica Reed,
 Director, Federal Consulting Group.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Multistate Conservation Grant Program; Fiscal Year 2015 Priority List and Approval for Conservation Projects

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of priority list and approval of projects.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 priority list of wildlife and sport fish conservation projects from the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA). As required by the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000, AFWA submits a list of projects to us each year to consider for funding under the Multistate Conservation Grant Program. We have reviewed the list and have awarded all the grants from the list.

ADDRESSES: John C. Stremple, Multistate Conservation Grants Program Coordinator, Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5275 Leesburg Pike, MS: WSFR, Falls Church, VA 22041-3808.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000 (Improvement Act, Pub. L. 106-408) amended the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669 *et seq.*) and the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777 *et seq.*) and established the Multistate Conservation Grant Program. The Improvement Act authorizes us to award grants of up to \$3 million annually from funds available under each of the restoration acts, for a total of up to \$6 million annually. Projects can be funded from both funds depending on the project activities. We may award grants to projects from a list of priority projects recommended to us by the Association of Fish and Wildlife

Agencies. The Service Director, exercising the authority of the Secretary of the Interior, need not fund all projects on the list, but all projects funded must be on the list.

Grantees under this program may use funds for sport fisheries and wildlife management and research projects, boating access development, hunter safety and education, aquatic education, fish and wildlife habitat improvements, and other purposes consistent with the enabling legislation.

To be eligible for funding, a project must benefit fish and/or wildlife conservation for at least 26 States, for a majority of the States in any one Service Region, or for one of the regional associations of State fish and wildlife agencies. We may award grants to a State, a group of States, or one or more nongovernmental organizations. For the purpose of carrying out the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation, we may award grants to the Service, if requested by AFWA, or to a State or a group of States. Also, AFWA requires all project proposals to address its National Conservation Needs, which AFWA announces annually at the same time it requests proposals. Further, applicants must provide certification that no activities conducted under a Multistate Conservation Grant will promote or encourage opposition to regulated hunting or trapping of wildlife, or to regulated angling or taking of fish.

AFWA committees and interested nongovernmental organizations that represent conservation organizations, sportsmen's and women's organizations, and industries that support or promote fishing, hunting, trapping, recreational shooting, bowhunting, or archery review and rank eligible project proposals. AFWA's Committee on National Grants recommends a final list of priority projects to the directors of the State fish and wildlife agencies for their approval by majority vote. By statute, AFWA then transmits the final approved list to the Service for funding under the Multistate Conservation Grant program by October 1 of the fiscal year. This year, AFWA sent us a list of 17 projects that they recommended for funding. We have awarded all of the recommended projects for FY 2015. The list follows:

MULTISTATE CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM
 [FY 2015 Projects]

ID	Title	Submitter	PR Funding ¹	DJ Funding ²	Total 2015 grant
1 ..	Multistate Conservation Grant Program Coordination.	AFWA	\$43,560	\$43,560	\$87,120

MULTISTATE CONSERVATION GRANT PROGRAM—Continued
[FY 2015 Projects]

ID	Title	Submitter	PR Funding ¹	DJ Funding ²	Total 2015 grant
2 ..	State Fish and Wildlife Agency Administration and Coordination.	AFWA	149,160	149,160	298,320.50
3 ..	State Fish and Wildlife Agency Director Travel Administration and Coordination.	AFWA	64,075	64,075	128,150
4 ..	Coordination of Farm Bill Program Implementation to Optimize Fish and Wildlife Benefits to States.	AFWA	124,500	83,000	207,500
5 ..	Coordination of the Industry, Federal and State Agency Coalition.	AFWA	108,480	108,480	216,960
6 ..	Understanding the Trends in Public Values toward Wildlife as a Key to Meeting Current and Future Wildlife Management Challenges.	MAFWA & WAFWA	226,933.50	226,933.50	453,867
7 ..	Educating Lawyers, Law Students, students of all ages the judiciary and the general public on state fish and wildlife management: Implementing AFWA's 2013–2015 Strategic Plan Goal 2.	AFWA	100,000	100,000	200,000
8 ..	Hunting, Fishing, and Sport Shooting Recruitment and Retention: A Practitioner's Guide.	NSSF	69,865.05	69,865.05	139,730.10
9 ..	National Survey of Ownership and Use of Traps by Trappers in the United States and evaluation of the use and implementation of BMPs by state fish and wildlife agencies.	AFWA	145,500	0	145,500
10	Promoting Strategic Fish Habitat Conservation through Regionally-coordinated Science and Collaboration.	NFHB	0	521,600	521,600
11	Development and Implementation of a National Initiative for Hunter and Shooting Sports Recruitment, Retention, and Reactivation.	WMI and CAHSS	207,900	0	207,900
12	Improving the Conservation of Fish and Wildlife Populations and Habitats During Energy Exploration, Development and Transmission Through Enhanced Industry/Agency Coordination.	AFWA	58,125	58,125	116,250
13	Boosting Fishing Participation by Boat Owners ...	ASA	0	60,000	60,000
14	Professional Development Workshops for effective communication and outreach regarding regulated trapping, established Best Management Practices, and furbearer management.	Max McGraw Wildlife Foundation.	116,150	0	116,150
15	Coordination of the 2016 National Survey Efforts (part A).	FWS	123,437	123,437	246,874
16	50 State Surveys Related to Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (part B).	Rockville Institute (Westat).	279,822	279,822	559,644
17	National-Level Results for the 2016 Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation (part A).	FWS/U.S. Census Bureau.	407,903	407,903	815,806
	2,225,410.55	2,295,960.55	4,521,371.10

¹ PR Funding: Pitman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration funds.

² DJ Funding: Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration funds.

AFWA: Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

ASA: American Sportfishing Association.

CAHSS: Council to Advance Hunting and the Shooting Sports.

NFHB: National Fish Habitat Board.

NSSF: National Shooting Sports Foundation.

MAFWA: Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

WAFWA: Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies.

WMI: Wildlife Management Institute.

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Stephen Guertin,

Deputy Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Office of the Secretary**

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**Proposed Renewal of Information
Collection: OMB Control Number
1090–0011, DOI Generic Clearance for
the Collection of Qualitative Feedback
on Agency Service Delivery**

AGENCY: Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior announces the proposed extension of a Generic Information Collection Request (Generic ICR): “DOI Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery” and seeks public comments on the provisions thereof.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by *May 18, 2015*.

ADDRESSES: Mail or hand carry comments to the Department of the Interior; Office of Policy Analysis; Attention: Don Bieniewicz; Mail Stop 3530; 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240. If you wish to email comments, the email address is: *Donald_Bieniewicz@ios.doi.gov*. Reference “DOI Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery, OMB Control Number: 1090–0011” in your email subject line. Include your name and return address in your email message and mark your message for return receipt.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the information collection request, any explanatory information and related forms, see the contact information provided in the **ADDRESSES** section above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

This notice is for renewal of information collection.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, which implement the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8 (d)).

The information collection activity will garner qualitative customer and

stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with the Administration’s commitment to improving service delivery. By qualitative feedback we mean information that provides useful insights on perceptions and opinions, but are not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the population of study. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between the Agency and its customers and stakeholders. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management.

Feedback collected under this generic clearance will provide useful information, but it will not yield data that can be generalized to the overall population. This generic clearance for qualitative information will not be used for quantitative information collections that are designed to yield reliably actionable results, such as monitoring trends over time or documenting program performance. Such data uses require more rigorous designs that address: the target population to which generalizations will be made, the sampling frame, the sample design (including stratification and clustering), the precision requirements or power calculations that justify the proposed sample size, the expected response rate, methods for assessing potential nonresponse bias, the protocols for data collection, and any testing procedures that were or will be undertaken prior to fielding the study.

II. Data

(1) *Title:* DOI Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery.

OMB Control Number: 1090–0011.

Current Expiration Date: June 30, 2015.

Type of Review: Information Collection Renewal.

Affected Entities: Individuals and Households, Businesses and Organizations, State, Local or Tribal Government.

Expected Annual Number of Activities: 20.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 11,000 for surveys, 6,000

for comment cards, 500 for focus groups.

Frequency of responses: Once per request.

(2) Annual reporting and recordkeeping burden:

Average time per response: 15 minutes for surveys, 2 minutes for comment cards, 2 hours for focus groups.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 3,950 hours.

(3) *Description of the need and use of the information:* The information collection activity will garner qualitative customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with the Administration’s commitment to improving service delivery. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between the Agency and its customers and stakeholders.

III. Request for Comments

The Department invites comments on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information and 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 appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

“Burden” means the total time, effort, and financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install, and use technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train