

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Final Environmental Impact Statement/ General Management Plan; San Juan Island National Historical Park, San Juan County, WA; Notice of Approval of Record of Decision

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190, as amended) and the regulations promulgated by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR Part 1505.2), the Department of the Interior, National Park Service has prepared and approved a Record of Decision for the *Final Environmental Impact Statement* for the updated General Management Plan (GMP), San Juan Island National Historical Park. The current GMP was completed in 1979; many conditions on San Juan Island and within the park have changed, particularly in the last 15-20 years. The requisite no-action "wait period" was initiated October 31, 2008, with the Environmental Protection Agency's **Federal Register** notification of the filing of the Final EIS.

Decision: As soon as practical San Juan Island National Historical Park will begin to implement park operations, resource management, interpretive programs, and land acquisitions (willing seller) presented and analyzed as the *Preferred Alternative* in the Final EIS (and which includes no substantive changes from the course of action as presented in the Draft EIS). The full range of foreseeable environmental consequences was assessed, and appropriate mitigation measures are included in the approved plan; this course of action was deemed to be the "environmentally preferred" alternative. The Final EIS identified and analyzed two additional alternatives, and corresponding mitigation strategies, which were responsive to concerns and issues the public voiced during the extensive scoping process and Draft EIS review, and to NPS conservation planning requirements.

Alternative C is the selected plan. Identified as the agency-preferred alternative in the EIS, this updated GMP broadens the scope of resource management and interpretation programs to emphasize the connections and interrelationships between the park's cultural and natural resources. Historic buildings and structures will continue to be preserved, with some additional buildings open to the public for interpretation. New facilities, trails and programs will provide opportunities for visitors to understand

how the park's natural surroundings influenced the settlement and historic events on San Juan Island and help define the cultural landscapes preserved within the park. The new plan also proposes boundary adjustments at both English Camp and American Camp, which includes acquisition of land from the Washington State Department of Natural Resources (DNR), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), and one private parcel under a willing-seller condition only.

Copies: Interested parties desiring to review the Record of Decision may obtain a copy by contacting the Superintendent, San Juan Island National Historical Park, Box 429, Friday Harbor, WA 98250 or via telephone request at (360) 378-2240.

Dated: January 30, 2009.

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Acting Regional Director, Pacific West Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Agency Information Collection; Activities Under OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of renewal of a currently approved collection (OMB No. 1006-0014).

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) has forwarded the following Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Lower Colorado River Well Inventory, OMB Control Number: 1006-0014.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by *March 27, 2009*.

ADDRESSES: You may send written comments to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, via facsimile to (202) 395-6566, or e-mail to OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov. A copy of your comments should also be directed to the Bureau of Reclamation, Attention: BCOO-4200, P.O. Box 61470, Boulder City, NV 89006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ruth Thayer, Group Manager, Boulder Canyon Operations Office, Bureau of Reclamation, 702-293-8426.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Lower Colorado River Well Inventory.

OMB No.: OMB No. 1006-0014.

Abstract: Pursuant to the Boulder Canyon Project Act (Pub. L. 70-642, 45 Stat. 1057), all diversions of mainstream Colorado River water must be in accordance with a Colorado River water entitlement. The Consolidated Decree of the United States Supreme Court in *Arizona v. California*, 547 U.S. 150 (2006) requires the Secretary of the Interior to account for all diversions of mainstream Colorado River water along the lower Colorado River, including water drawn from the mainstream by underground pumping. To meet the water entitlement and accounting obligations, an inventory of wells and river pumps is required along the lower Colorado River, and the gathering of specific information concerning these wells and river pumps.

Description of respondents: The respondents will include well and river-pump owners and operators along the lower Colorado River in Arizona, California, and Nevada. Each well and river pump owner or operator must be identified, as well as the location of their diversion and type of water use determined.

Frequency: These data are collected only once for each well or river-pump owner or operator as long as changes in water use, or other changes that would impact contractual or administrative requirements, are not made. A respondent may request that the data for their well or river pump be updated after the initial inventory.

Estimated completion time: An average of 20 minutes is required to interview individual well and river-pump owners or operators. Reclamation will use the information collected during these interviews to complete the information collection form.

Annual responses: 1,500.

Annual burden hours: 500 hours.

Comments:

Reclamation invites your comments on:

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

(b) The accuracy of our burden estimate for the proposed collection of information;

(c) Ways to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to