- (b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;
- (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- (d) Ways to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The Federal Cave Resources Protection Act of 1988, 102 Stat. 4546, 16 U.S.C. 4301, requires identifying, protecting, and maintaining significant caves on public lands the Department of the Interior, BLM manages. The implementing regulations are found at 43 CFR 37-Cave Management. Federal agencies must consult with "cavers" and other interested parties and develop a list of significant caves. The regulations establish criteria for identifying significant caves and integrate cave management into existing planning and management processes to protect cave resource information. We protect this information to prevent vandalism and disturbance of significant caves. Other Federal or state agencies, bona fide educational or research institutes, or individuals or organizations who assist land management agencies with cave management activities may request access to confidential cave information. BLM uses the Significant Cave Nomination Worksheet to collect some of the requested information on cave management activities.

Based on BLM's experience administering this program, we estimate the public reporting burden is 3 hours for each nomination and 30 minutes for each request for confidential cave information. In FY 2000, BLM estimated 50 cave nominations and 10 requests for confidential cave information are filed annually, with a total annual burden of 155 hours. Respondents are cavers and other interested parties.

BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of a public record. Dated: July 19, 2002.

Michael H. Schwartz,

Bureau of Land Management, Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[Docket No. WO-320-1330-PB-1A]

Extension of Approved Information Collection, OMB Approved Number 1004–0121

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) requests the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to extend an existing approval to collect information from applicants to lease and develop solid minerals other than coal and oil shale. BLM uses the information to determine whether an applicant, permittee, or lessee is qualified to hold an interest under the terms of the implementing regulations at 43 CFR Part 3500.

DATES: You must submit your comments to BLM at the address below on or before September 30, 2002. BLM will not necessarily consider any comments received after the above date.

ADDRESSES: You may mail comments to: Regulatory Affairs Group (WO–630), Eastern States Office, 7450 Boston Blvd., Springfield, Virginia 22153.

You may send comments via Internet to WOComment@blm.gov. Please include "Attn: 1004–0121" and your name and address with your comments.

You may deliver comments to the Bureau of Land Management, Administrative Record, Room 401, 1620 L. Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Comments will be available for public review at the L Street address during regular business hours (7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.) Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: You may contact Phillip Allard, Solid Minerals Group, on (202) 452–5195 (Commercial or FTS). Persons who use

a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1–800–877–8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Mr. Allard.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 5 CFR 1320.12(a) requires that we provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a collection of information to solicit comments on:

- (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper functioning of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (b) The accuracy of our estimates of the information collection burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions we use;
- (c) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and
- (d) Ways to minimize the information collection burden on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

These regulations implement numerous statutes including:

- (1) The Mineral Leasing Act of 1920 (30 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*)
- (2) The Mineral Leasing Act of 1947 (30 U.S.C. 351–359);
- (3) Section 402 of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1946 (5 U.S.C. Appendix);
- (4) The Multiple Mineral Development Act of 1954 (30 U.S.C. 521–531);
- (5) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1710 *et seq.*).

The implementing regulations (43 CFR part 3500) outline procedures for members of the public to submit applications, offers, statements, petitions, and various forms, BLM uses Forms 3510-1, 3520-7, 3510-2, 3504-1, 3504-3, and 3504-4 to collect the information to determine whether an applicant qualifies to hold a lease to obtain a benefit under the terms of the MLA, its subsequent amendments, related statutes, and the regulations. The affected public consists of all present and prospective holders of Federal solid material leases other than coal or oil shale, prospecting permits, use permits, and exploration licenses.

BREAKDOWN OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS AND TOTAL HOURS

Type of info collection	Number of re- sponses	Hrs. per re- sponse	Total hours
Prospecting Permit	25	1	25
Exploration Plan for Prospecting Permit	20	80	1,600
Prospecting Permit Extension	5	1	5

BREAKDOWN OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS AND TOTAL HOURS—Continued

Type of info collection	Number of re- sponses	Hrs. per re- sponse	Total hours
Preference Right Lease	2	100	200
Competitive Lease Bid	5	40	200
Fringe Acreage Lease or Lease Modification	5	40	200
Assignment or Sublease	40	2	80
Lease Renewals or Adjustmenets	15	1	15
Use Permit	1	1	1
Exploration License	1	3	3
Exploration Plan for Exploration License	1	80	80
Development Contract	1	1	1
Bond	150	4	600
Mine Plan	5	150	750
Total	276		3,760

Based on BLM's experience administering the leasing program, we estimate the public reporting burden as indicated in the above chart to complete the applications, petitions, offers, and statements as required. BLM estimates that we receive 276 filings annually, with a total annual burden of 3,760 hours. The respondents vary from individuals to small businesses and major corporations.

Any member of the public may request and obtain, without charge, a copy of BLM Forms 3510–1, 3520–7, 3510–2, 3504–3, and 3504–4 by contacting the person identified under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

BLM will summarize all responses to this notice and include them in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 17, 2002.

Michael H. Schwartz,

Bureau of Land Management, Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[UT-030-02-1610-DE-24-1A]

Notice of Extension of Call for Nomination Period

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Call for Nominations for the Grand Staircase—Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: This notice is issued to extend the call for nominations for the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument's (GSENM) Advisory

Committee from July 30, 2002, to August 20, 2002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the GSENM Advisory Committee. Individuals may nominate themselves for committee membership. You may obtain nomination forms from the GSENM office or download the application from the following Internet address: www.ut.blm.gov/monument. To make a nomination, you must submit a completed nomination form, letters of reference from the represented interests or organizations, as well as any other information that speaks to the nominee's qualifications. Applications must be submitted to the Monument Manager, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Bureau of Land Management, 190 E. Center Street, Kanab, Utah, 84741, by close of business August 20, 2002. The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee advises the Bureau of Land Management on resource management issues associated with the National Monument.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Hunsaker, Acting Monument Manager, (435) 644–4300, or the following Web site address: www.ut.blm.gov/monument.

Dated: July 18, 2002.

Robert A. Bennett,

Associate State Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management [MT-070-02-1020-PG]

Notice of Public Meeting, Western Montana Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Western Montana Resource Advisory Council will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 5, 2002 at the BLM Dillon Field Office, 1005 Selway Drive, Dillon, Montana beginning at 8 a.m. The public comment period will begin at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting will adjourn at approximately 2 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in western Montana. At this meeting, topics we plan to discuss include: updates from the RAC Subgroups on Travel Management, Wild and Scenic River Suitability, and Commercial Use. If time allows, the RAC may hear an update on implementation of the Sage Grouse Conservation Plan. All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Council. Each formal Council meeting will also have time allocated for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for