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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Control Number 1004–0162]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Onshore Geophysical Exploration

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection;
request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the
Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is
proposing to renew an information
collection with revisions.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to
submit comments on or before
September 6, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on
this information collection request (ICR)
to the Office of Management and
Budget's Desk Officer for the
Department of the Interior by email at
OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov; or via
facsimile to (202) 395–5806. Please
provide a copy of your comments to the
BLM at U.S. Department of the Interior,
Bureau of Land Management, 1849 C
Street NW, Room 2134LM, Washington,
DC 20240, Attention: Jean Sonneman; or
by email to jesonnem@blm.gov. Please
reference OMB Control Number 1004–
0162 in the subject line of your
comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To
request additional information about
this ICR, contact Jennifer Spencer by
email at j35spenc@blm.gov, or by
telephone at 202–912–7146. You may
also view the ICR at [http://
www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In
accordance with the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995, the BLM
provides the general public and other
Federal agencies with an opportunity to
comment on new, proposed, revised,
and continuing collections of
information. This helps us assess the
impact of our information collection
requirements and minimize the public's
reporting burden. It also helps the
public understand our information

collection requirements and provide the
requested data in the desired format.

A **Federal Register** notice with a 60-
day public comment period soliciting
comments on this collection of
information was published on March 2,
2018 (83 FR 9025). No comments were
received.

The BLM is again soliciting comments
on the proposed ICR that is described
below. The BLM is especially interested
in public comment addressing the
following issues: (1) Is the collection
necessary to the proper functions of the
BLM; (2) will this information be
processed and used in a timely manner;
(3) is the estimate of burden accurate;
(4) how might the BLM enhance the
quality, utility, and clarity of the
information to be collected; and (5) how
might the BLM minimize the burden of
this collection on the respondents,
including through the use of
information technology.

Comments that you submit in
response to this notice are a matter of
public record. Before including your
address, phone number, email address,
or other personal identifying
information in your comment, you
should be aware that your entire
comment—including your personal
identifying information—may be made
publicly available at any time. While
you can ask us in your comment to
withhold your personal identifying
information from public review, we
cannot guarantee that we will be able to
do so.

Abstract: This information collection
pertains to onshore geophysical
exploration on Federal lands. Federal
land-management agencies are
responsible for regulating geophysical
exploration on the Federal surface
estate. The BLM regulates exploration
for oil and gas on lands it manages, and
on occasion regulates such exploration
on lands managed by other Federal
land-management agencies. The U.S.
Forest Service (FS) regulates exploration
for various types of minerals, including
oil and gas, on lands it manages. The
BLM and the FS propose to revise the
accuracy and usefulness of the forms
they use for this collection of
information.

Title of Collection: Onshore
Geophysical Exploration.

OMB Control Number: 1004–0162.

Form Numbers: BLM Form 3150–4/FS
Form 2800–16 and BLM Form 3150–5/
FS Form 2800–16a.

Type of Review: Revision of a
currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: The
respondents for this collection of
information are business that seek to

conduct geophysical exploration on
Federal lands.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Respondents:** 23.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Responses:** 23.

**Estimated Completion Time per
Response:** Varies from 20 minutes to 1
hour, depending on activity.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual
Burden Hours:** 17.67.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to
obtain or retain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

**Total Estimated Annual Nonhour
Burden Cost:** \$25.

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 OMB
control number.

The authority for this action is the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44
U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Jean Sonneman,

Bureau of Land Management, Information
Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Application for a Recordable Disclaimer of Interest for Lands Underlying the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet, Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The State of Alaska (State) has
filed an application with the Bureau of
Land Management (BLM) for a
Recordable Disclaimer of Interest (RDI)
from the United States in those lands
underlying the Egegik River, Becharof
Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet in
southwest Alaska. The State asserts that
the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and
Ruth Lake and Outlet, were navigable
and unreserved at the time of Alaska
Statehood in 1959.

DATES: The BLM should receive all
comments to this action on or before
November 5, 2018.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments
by mail or email on the State's
application for an RDI or on the BLM
Draft "Summary Report on Federal
Interest in Lands Underlying the Egegik
River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake

and Outlet in Alaska” (Draft Summary Report). To file comments by mail, send to: RDI Program Manager (AK-942), Division of Lands and Cadastral, BLM Alaska State Office, 222 West 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513. To submit comments by email, send to anichols@blm.gov.

Copies of the State’s application, supporting evidence, the Draft Summary Report, and comments, including names and street addresses of commenters, will be available for public review at the BLM Alaska Public Information Center (Public Room), 222 West 8th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, during regular business hours 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Angie Nichols, RDI Program Manager, 222 West 7th Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513; 907-271-3359; anichols@blm.gov; or visit the BLM RDI website at <https://www.blm.gov/programs/lands-and-ree/realty/regional-information/alaska/RDI/bristol-bay>.

People who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay System (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or a question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Sept. 7, 2016, the State filed an application (AA-94269) for an RDI pursuant to Section 315 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA) and the regulations contained in 43 CFR subpart 1864 for the lands underlying the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet. The State asserts that these waterbodies were navigable at the time of Alaska Statehood. As such, the State contends that ownership of the lands underlying this river system automatically passed from the United States to the State in 1959 at the time of Statehood under the Equal Footing Doctrine; the Submerged Lands Act of 1953; the Alaska Statehood Act; and other title navigability law. Section 315 of FLPMA authorizes the BLM to issue an RDI when it determines that a record interest of the United States in lands has terminated by law or is otherwise invalid, and a disclaimer will help remove a cloud on title to such lands.

The State’s application is for an RDI for all submerged lands underlying the portions described below of the Egegik River, Becharof Lake, and Ruth Lake and Outlet. Specifically, these are Becharof Lake: All submerged lands and bed up to and including the ordinary

high water lines of Becharof Lake upstream from its outlet within section 5, township 25 south, range 46 west, Seward Meridian, Alaska; Egegik River: All submerged lands and bed of the Egegik River lying between the ordinary high water lines of the left and right banks of the Egegik River, beginning at the outlet of Becharof Lake, downstream to the limit of tidal influence; Unnamed outlet Ruth Lake: All submerged lands up to and including the ordinary high water lines of Unnamed outlet of Ruth Lake upstream from its outlet at Becharof Lake within section 5, township 30 south, range 42 west, Seward Meridian, Alaska, upstream to Ruth Lake; and Ruth Lake: All submerged lands and bed up to and including the ordinary high water lines of Ruth Lake upstream from its outlet within section 9, township 30 south, range 42 west, Seward Meridian, Alaska.

The State listed the coverage area on the USGS 1:63,360 series topographic maps as follows: Naknek A-1 through A-3, Karluk C-6, D-6 and Ugashik C-1 and D-1, D-2, D-3. Over time, the precise location of the submerged lands described above may vary between townships due to the ambulatory nature of these water bodies.

An RDI is a legal document through which the BLM disclaims the United States’ interest in, or ownership of, specified lands, but the disclaimer does not grant, convey, transfer, or renounce any title or interest in the lands, nor does it release any tax, judgment, or lien. This Notice of Application is to inform the public of the pending application and the State’s supporting evidence, as well as to provide the opportunity to comment or provide additional information to the BLM.

The BLM will not make a final decision on the merits of the State’s application before November 5, 2018. During this 90-day period, interested parties may comment on the State’s application, AA-94269, and supporting evidence. Interested parties may also comment on the BLM’s Draft Summary Report, which is available on the BLM’s RDI website (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above).

Copies of the State’s application, supporting evidence, the Draft Summary Report, and comments, including names and street addresses of commenters, will be available for public review at the BLM Alaska Public Information Center (Public Room), 222 West 8th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska, during regular business hours 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Before including your 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 the BLM in your comment to withhold your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

If the BLM determines the State’s evidence and any additional information the agency receives concerning the State’s application is sufficient to reach a favorable determination, and neither the records nor a valid objection discloses a reason not to disclaim, the BLM may decide to approve the application for the RDI.

Authority: 43 CFR 1864.2.

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Deputy State Director, Division of Lands and Cadastral, Alaska.

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Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Willow Master Development Plan Oil and Gas Prospect, Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended, and the Naval Petroleum Reserves Production Act of 1976, as amended, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Alaska State Office, Anchorage, Alaska, intends to prepare a Master Development Plan Environmental Impact Statement (MDP/EIS) for the Willow oil and gas prospect within the Bear Tooth Unit of the National Petroleum Reserve in Alaska (NPR-A).

DATES: This Notice initiates the public scoping process for the Willow oil and gas prospect MDP/EIS. Comments on issues, impacts, and potential alternatives to be analyzed may be submitted in writing until September 6, 2018. The BLM will hold public scoping meetings in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Nuiqsut, and Utqiagvik. The dates, times, and locations of scoping meetings will be announced through local news media, newspapers, and the BLM Alaska website. Any Federal, state, local