

Decision include a commitment that allocation of water to San Juan River Basin users of federal facilities in the event of a shortage for fish flows will be reduced equitably, including the project beneficiaries of the Animas-La Plata Project.

ERP No. FS-UAF-G11031-TX
Programmatic EIS—Kelly Air Force Base (AFB) Disposal and Reuse, New and Updated Information, Joint Military and Civil Use of the Runway and other Airfield Facilities, Joint Use Agreement, Bexar County, San Antonio, TX.

Summary: EPA has no further comments to offer and awaits receipt of the Record of Decision.

Dated: October 24, 2000.

Ken Mittelholtz,

Environmental Protection Specialist, Office of Federal Activities.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[OPP-00686; FRL-6752-3]

National Assessment of the Worker Protection Program - Workshop #2; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Assessment of the Worker Protection Program Workshop #2 will be held in Sacramento, California. Workgroups will be established to further discuss national worker protection implementation and program effectiveness as related to training, enforcement, compliance and retaliation, and communications. This is the second in a series of workshops and represents an opportunity for EPA, states, agricultural employers and worker representatives to engage in problem solving workgroup discussions. In cooperation with the National Environmental Education and Training Foundation, the Office of Pesticide Programs is hosting this national assessment meeting to further discuss the agricultural worker protection regulation, the implementation and effectiveness of its provisions, the enforcement at the state level, and the possible future directions for the program.

DATES: December 11-13, 2000. The workshop is scheduled to begin at 12:30 pm on Monday, December 11 and will conclude at 5:30 pm. The Tuesday and

Wednesday sessions begin at 8:00 am and end at 5:30 pm.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency Sacramento, 1209 L Street, Sacramento, California 95814.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Walsh, U.S. EPA Office of Pesticide Programs (7506C), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20460. Telephone: (703) 308-2972. e-mail: walsh.michael@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Does this Action Apply to Me?

This action is directed to the public in general, however, the size of the meeting facilities could limit the number of participants. This action may be of interest to farm worker groups, agricultural employers, state governments, county extension services, and pesticide product manufacturers. If you have any questions regarding the applicability of this action to a particular entity, consult the party listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

II. How Can I Get Copies of this Document?

Electronically. You may obtain electronic copies of this document, and certain other related documents that might be available electronically, from the EPA Internet Home Page at <http://www.epa.gov/>. You may also go directly to the **Federal Register** listings at <http://www.epa.gov/fedrgstr/>.

III. How Can I Participate in this Meeting and is there a Deadline?

You may request to participate in this meeting and register by phone, by fax, through the mail, or electronically by no later than November 14, 2000. Since space is limited, we recommend registering as soon as possible. Please contact Meetings Management, Inc., P.O. Box 30045, Alexandria, Virginia 22310, Tel: (703) 922-7944, Fax: (703) 922-7780, e-mail: Mmagnini@BellAtlantic.net. Please also note that you must make your own hotel room reservations.

List of Subjects

Environmental protection, agricultural worker protection.

Dated: October 19, 2000.

Anne E. Lindsay,

Director, Field and External Affairs Division, Office of Pesticide Programs.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Notice of Public Information Collection(s) Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission, Comments Requested

October 20, 2000.

SUMMARY: The Federal Communications Commission, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burden invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) that does not display a valid control number. Comments are requested concerning (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Written comments should be submitted on or before December 26, 2000. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments, but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Direct all comments to Les Smith, Federal Communications Commissions, 445 12th Street, SW, Room 1-A804, Washington, DC 20554 or via the Internet to lesmith@fcc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or copies of the information collections contact Les Smith at (202) 418-0217 or via the Internet at lesmith@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Approval No.: 3060-0405.

Title: Application for Authority to Construct or Make Changes in an FM Translator or FM Booster Station.

Form No.: FCC 349.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 1,050.

Estimated Hours Per Response: 5–19 hours depending on application type (1–3 hours applicant burden; 4–17 hours contract costs).

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Cost to Respondents: \$2,689,500.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2750.

Needs and Uses: FCC 349 is used to apply for authority to construct a new FM translator or FM booster broadcast station, or to make changes in the existing facilities of such stations. This collection also includes the third party disclosure requirement of Section 73.3580. This section requires local public notice in a newspaper of general circulation of the filing of all applications for new or major change in facilities. This notice must be completed within 30 days of the tendering of the application. This notice must be published at least twice a week for two consecutive weeks in a three-week period. A copy of this notice must be placed in the public inspection file along with the application. In addition, all mutually exclusive NCE proposals for the reserved band currently on file with the Commission will be required to supplement their applications with portions of the revised FCC 349 necessary to make a selection under the new point system. The Commission will issue a public notice announcing the procedures to be used in this process. The data are used by FCC staff to ensure that the applicant meets basic statutory requirements and will not cause interference to other licensed broadcast services. In the case of mutually exclusive qualified applicants, the information will be used to determine which proposal would best serve the public interest.

OMB Approval No.: 3060–0034.

Title: Application for Construction Permit for Reserved Channel Noncommercial Educational Broadcast Station.

Form No.: FCC 340.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 1970.

Estimated Hours Per Response: 15–76 hours depending on application type (2–4 hours applicant burden; 13–68 hours contract costs).

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Cost to Respondents: \$8,200,645.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4370.

Needs and Uses: FCC 340 is used to apply for authority to construct a new noncommercial educational (NCE) FM,

TV and DTV broadcast station, or to make changes in the existing facilities of such a station. The FCC 340 is to be used for channels that are reserved exclusively for NCE use. This collection also includes the third party disclosure requirement of Section 73.3580 which requires local public notice in a newspaper of general circulation of the filing of all applications for new or major changes in facilities. In addition, all mutually exclusive NCE proposals for the reserved band currently on file with the Commission will be required to supplement their applications with portions of the revised FCC 340 necessary to make a selection under the new point system. The Commission will issue a public notice announcing the procedures to be used in this process. The data are used by FCC staff to determine whether the applicant meets basic statutory requirements to become or remain a Commission licensee and to ensure that the public interest would be served by grant of the application. In the case of mutually exclusive qualified applicants, the information will be used to determine which proposal would best serve the public interest.

OMB Approval No.: 3060–0948.

Title: MM Docket No. 95–31—Noncommercial Rules.

Form No.: None.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 435.

Estimated Hours Per Response: 0.25–3 hours (depending on application type (0.25–2 hours applicant burden; 1–2 hours contract costs)).

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Cost to Respondents: \$33,750.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 485.

Needs and Uses: On April 4, 2000, the Commission adopted a Report and Order in MM Docket No. 95–31 in the Matter of Reexamination of the Comparative Standards for Noncommercial Educational Applicants. This Report and Order adopted new procedures to select among competing applicants for noncommercial educational (NCE) broadcast channels. The Commission will use a point system to select among mutually exclusive applicants on reserved channels, to streamline the current selection process and make it faster and simpler for applicants and for the Commission. The Commission will use filing windows for new and major changes to NCE stations. In addition, the following rule sections were revised that include new information collections:

Section 73.202 was revised to provide that entities that would be eligible to operate a noncommercial educational broadcast station can request that a nonreserved FM channel be allotted as reserved only for NCE broadcasting. This request must include a demonstration as specified in (a)(1)(i) and (ii) of this rule section.

Section 73.3527 was revised to include that documentation of any points claimed in an application for a NCE broadcast station in the reserved band must be kept in the public inspection file.

Section 73.3572 was revised to require an application for a NCE broadcast station on a reserved channel to submit to the FCC's public reference room supporting documentation of the points claimed in its application form.

The demonstration provided with the request for an allotment is used by FCC staff to determine whether there is a greater need for a noncommercial channel versus a commercial channel. The availability of supporting documentation concerning points claimed will enable any involved party to verify and/or dispute that claim and will enable the Commission to do random audits of the applicant point certifications.

OMB Approval No.: 3060–0897.

Title: MDS and ITFS Two-Way Transmissions.

Form No.: None.

Type of Review: Extension of currently approved collection.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 130,888.

Estimated Hours Per Response: 0.083–41 hours (depending on application type (0.166–40 hours applicant burden; 0.166–5.25 hours contract costs)).

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Cost to Respondents: \$5,431,032.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 223,355.

Needs and Uses: This collection includes rules that collectively form the MDS and ITFS two-way services. The rules for two-way transmissions for MDS and ITFS will allow two-way licensing and provide greater flexibility in the use of the allotted spectrum to licensees. The Commission will use this information to ensure that MDS and ITFS applicants, conditional licensees and licensees have considered properly under the Commission's rules the potential for harmful interference from their facilities.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. 2447]

Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification of Action in Rulemaking Proceedings

October 19, 2000.

Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification have been filed in the Commission's rulemaking proceedings listed in this Public Notice and published pursuant to 47 CFR Section 1.429(e). The full text of this document is available for viewing and copying in Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. or may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, ITS, Inc. (202) 857-3800. Oppositions to these petitions must be filed by (November 13, 2000. See Section 1.4(b)(1) of the Commission's rules (47 CFR 1.4(b)(1)). Replies to an opposition must be filed within 10 days after the time for filing oppositions have expired.

Subject: Redesignation of the 17.7-19.7 GHz Frequency Band, Blanket Licensing of Satellite Earth Stations in the 17.7-20.2 GHz and 27.5-30.0 GHz Frequency Bands, and the Allocation of Additional Spectrum in the 17.3-17.8 GHz and 24.75-25.25 GHz Frequency Bands for Broadcast Satellite-Service Use (IB Docket No. 98-172, RM-9005, RM-9118).

Number of Petitions Filed: 4.

Subject: Implementation of Video Description of Video Programming (MM Docket No. 99-339).

Number of Petitions Filed: 8.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

National Flood Insurance Program; Desktop Rating of Flood Insurance Policies

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

ACTION: Notice of forum with request for ideas and participants.

SUMMARY: We (FEMA) will hold a forum on the feasibility of identifying

alternative methods for obtaining necessary risk and elevation information to rate flood insurance policies. The goal of the forum is to foster the development of a desktop system that supports the actuarial rating of a flood insurance policy and the floodplain management requirements of the National Flood Insurance Program. We seek a solution that makes the risk, base flood elevation and lowest floor elevation data necessary to rate a flood insurance policy available to agents at their desks.

DATES: We will hold the forum on December 13, 2000.

Please send written responses to the ideas and questions that we pose by November 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: We will hold the forum in the Horizon Ballroom of the International Trade Center, Ronald Reagan Building, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20004.

Please send written responses to Edward Pasterick at the address immediately below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward Pasterick, Federal Insurance Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington DC 20472, (202) 646-3443, or (email) edward.pasterick@fema.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) provides coverage against flood damage to property owners in communities that agree to adopt and enforce regulations designed to ensure safer future construction of buildings in high-risk flood zones. The provision of insurance, the regulation of the floodplain and the enforcement of the mandatory purchase requirements depend on three things:

- *Flood risk information* or certain key information about the nature and extent of the flood risk in a given area,
- *Elevation of the structure*, and
- *Structural characteristics*, such as the number of floors and occupancy type.

Flood Risk Information. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides flood-zone information in the form of a Flood Insurance Study and Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). The FIRM outlines the degree and extent of the flood risk in a given jurisdiction and serves as the guiding document for communities in the regulation of floodplain construction and for lenders in enforcing the mandatory purchase requirements. It also serves insurance companies and agents as the source of needed risk

information for writing and rating applications for flood insurance under the NFIP. The primary flood risk characteristics shown on the FIRMs are the areas inundated by the one percent annual probability flood and the elevation relative to the mean sea level to which the floodwaters will rise. The latter is the Base Flood Elevation (BFE).

Elevation of the Structure. Individual property owners, through licensed surveyors and engineers, provide the elevation information needed to guide floodplain construction and to rate insurance applications. The elevation certificate contains this information, which shows the elevation relative to the mean sea level of the lowest floor of a structure or lowest floor elevation (LFE). The community must ensure that the LFE of a new structure built in the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)¹ after the effective date of a FIRM is at or above the BFE shown on the FIRM. The insurance agent writing an application for flood insurance on the structure must calculate the difference between the BFE and the LFE to determine the proper rate for coverage. As a condition of its participation in the NFIP the community must maintain this elevation information in its records.

Structural Characteristics. The insurance agent obtains the relevant structural characteristics from the insured. For example, the property owner can supply information about the number of floors, occupancy type, date of construction, etc. to the agent.

Several factors currently affect the ease of writing flood insurance:

- Access to flood risk information is more difficult for insurance agents than the risk information other lines of property insurance need. Since the flood zone and BFE needed for rating are on the community's FIRM, agents must maintain a paper copy of every effective FIRM for the communities in which they write policies. Locating a property on the paper copy of the FIRM has been a problem for agents from the outset of the NFIP, a problem that we have not diminished substantially over the years. Flood Zone Determination (FZD) companies and some Write Your Own (WYO) companies digitize much of the information on the FIRMs and now provide this information to some agents. However, zone information is far from

¹ The Special Flood Hazard Area is an area of land that would be inundated by a flood having a one percent chance of occurring in any given year (also referred to as the base or 100-year flood). Flood insurance is required for insurable structures within the SFHA to protect Federal financial investments and assistance used for acquisition and/or construction purposes within communities participating in the NFIP.