

(DHS), the current academic status of the alien, including whether the alien is maintaining status as a full-time student, or whether an exchange visitor is satisfying the terms and conditions of his or her program, and any disciplinary action taken by the institution or exchange visitor program sponsor against the alien as a result of a conviction of a crime. The Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (USA PATRIOT) Act of 2001, Public Law 107-56 (October 26, 2001), subsequently amended IIRIRA and added the requirement that information be collected on the date of entry and port-of-entry. On October 30, 2001, the President issued Homeland Security Directive No. 2 (Directive 2) requiring DHS to conduct periodic, ongoing review of all institutions certified to accept nonimmigrant students. On May 14, 2002 the Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act of 2002 (Border Security Act), Public Law 107-173, 116 Stat. 543 (May 14, 2002), was enacted. It required DHS to recertify all schools approved for attendance by F or M nonimmigrant students within two years of the passage of the Border Security Act. Further, it mandates that DHS conduct an additional recertification of these schools every two years following. Data collection requirements for SEVP certification, oversight and recertification of schools authorized to enroll F or M nonimmigrant students are not specified in the aforementioned legislation, but are enumerated in 8 CFR 214.3 and 214.4. The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP), a component of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), is the program mandated by these laws to carry out these responsibilities.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond annually:*

|                                            |            |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|
| Respondents .....                          | 30,000.    |
| Time for student management reporting.     | 6.8 hours. |
| Time for management of SEVP certification. | 2.3 hours. |
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| Average time per respondent.               | 9.1 hours. |

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 273,000.*

Comments and/or questions; requests for a copy of the proposed information collection instrument, with instructions; or inquiries for additional information should be directed to: Lee Shirkey, Program Manager, Records Management Branch, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 425 I Street, NW., Room 1122, Washington, DC 20536; (202) 616-2266.

Dated: July 9, 2007.

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*Program Manager, Records Management Branch, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### **Proposed Information Collection; OMB Control Number 1018-0066; Marine Mammal Tagging, Marking, and Reporting**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We (Fish and Wildlife Service) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC. This IC is scheduled to expire on November 30, 2007. We 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.

**DATES:** You must submit comments on or before September 10, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments on the IC to Hope Grey, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222-ARLSQ, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (mail); [hope\\_grey@fws.gov](mailto:hope_grey@fws.gov) (e-mail); or (703) 358-2269 (fax).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information about this IC, contact Hope Grey by mail, fax, or e-mail (see ADDRESSES) or by telephone at (703) 358-2482.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## I. Abstract

Under Section 101(b) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (MMPA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361-1407), Alaska Natives residing in Alaska and dwelling on the coast of the North Pacific or Arctic Ocean may harvest polar bears, northern sea otters, and Pacific walrus for subsistence or handicraft purposes. Section 109(i) of the MMPA authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to prescribe marking, tagging, and reporting regulations applicable to the Alaska Native subsistence and handicraft take.

On behalf of the Secretary, we implemented regulations at 50 CFR 18.23(f) for Alaska Natives harvesting polar bear, northern sea otter, and Pacific walrus. These regulations enable us to gather data on the Alaska Native subsistence and handicraft harvest and on the biology of polar bear, northern sea otter, and Pacific walrus in Alaska to determine what effect such take may be having on these populations. The regulations also provide us with a means of monitoring the disposition of the harvest to ensure that any commercial use of products created from these species meets the criteria set forth in Section 101(b) of the MMPA. The information we collect includes, but is not limited to:

- (1) Date of kill.
- (2) Sex of the animal.
- (3) Kill location.
- (4) Form of transportation used to make the kill of polar bears.
- (5) Amount of time (i.e., hours/days hunted) spent hunting polar bears.
- (6) Type of take (live killed or beach found) for walrus.
- (7) Number of otters present in and number of otters harvested from pod.
- (8) Condition of the bear and whether or not polar bear cubs were present.
- (9) Name of the hunter or possessor of the specified parts at the time of marking, tagging, and reporting.

## II. Data

**OMB Control Number:** 1018-0066.

**Title:** Marine Mammal Tagging, Marking, and Reporting.

**Service Form Number(s):** R7-50, R7-51, R7-52.

**Type of Request:** Revision of currently approved collection.

**Affected Public:** Individuals and households.

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

**Frequency of Collection:** On occasion.

| Activity                 | Number of annual respondents | Number of annual responses | Completion time per response | Annual burden hours |
|--------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|
| R7-50 (walrus) .....     | 1,190                        | 1,190                      | 15 minutes .....             | 298                 |
| R7-51 (polar bear) ..... | 52                           | 52                         | 15 minutes .....             | 13                  |
| R7-52 (sea otter) .....  | 796                          | 796                        | 15 minutes .....             | 199                 |
| Totals .....             | 2,038                        | 2,038                      | .....                        | 510                 |

### III. Request for Comments

We invite comments concerning this IC on:

(1) whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) the accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information;

(3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include and/or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this IC. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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.

Dated: June 25, 2007

**Hope Grey,**

*Information Collection Clearance Officer,  
Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Notice of Availability of the Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment for Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge in Tyrrell, Washington, and Hyde Counties, NC

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** We, the Fish and Wildlife Service, announce that a Draft Comprehensive Conservation Plan and Environmental Assessment (Draft CCP/

EA) for Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge is available for distribution. The National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966, as amended by the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, requires that we develop a comprehensive conservation plan for each national wildlife refuge. This Draft CCP, when final, will describe how we intend to manage Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge over the next 15 years.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received at the postal address listed below no later than August 13, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** To provide written comments or to obtain a copy of the Draft CCP/EA, please write to: Howard Phillips, Refuge Manager, Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 329, Columbia, North Carolina 27925; or telephone: 252/796-3004, Extension 226. The Draft CCP/EA may also be accessed and downloaded from the Service's Internet Site: <http://southeast.fws.gov/planning/>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Public Availability of Comments:** Before including your address, phone number, e-mail 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.

**Background:** Congress established the 12,000-acre Pungo National Wildlife Refuge in 1963, by the authority of the Migratory Bird Conservation Act of 1929 and the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956. Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1990. At that time, Pungo Refuge was made a unit of Pocosin Lakes Refuge. The refuge, in northeast North Carolina, consists of 110,106 acres in fee simple ownership, and is made up of the following habitats: 63,896 acres of pocosin wetlands; 4,280 acres of bay forest; 3,124 acres of peatland Atlantic white cedar; 13,649 acres of mixed pine flatwoods; 14,045 acres of hardwood swamp forest; 970 acres of cypress-gum

swamp; 987 acres of marsh; 276 acres of xeric sandhill scrub; 1,250 acres of cropland; 443 acres of moist-soil areas; 446 acres of natural shoreline; and 6,740 acres of open water. These habitats support a variety of wildlife species, including red wolves, red-cockaded woodpeckers, waterfowl, shorebirds, wading birds, marsh birds, and neotropical migratory songbirds.

The refuge hosts approximately 80,000 visitors annually who participate in hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, and environmental education and interpretation. Because of the estimated number of people stopping at the Tyrrell County Visitor Center (460,000), which is located immediately adjacent to the refuge's visitor center and Scuppernong River Interpretive Boardwalk, actual refuge visitation is likely much higher; perhaps exceeding 200,000.

Significant issues addressed in the Draft CCP/EA include: managing impoundments to create optimum habitat for migrating waterfowl, shorebirds, wading birds, and aquatic organisms; managing and providing optimum habitat for threatened and endangered species; managing marshes and pine forests with prescribed fire; monitoring, managing, and eradicating invasive pest plants and animals; restoring natural hydrology on the refuge; surveying for waterfowl, shorebirds, wading birds, and neotropical migratory songbirds; providing adequate law enforcement; providing outreach and interpretive opportunities to the public; providing quality hunting and fishing opportunities; and managing access for public use activities.

Also addressed in the Draft CCP/EA are compatibility determinations for the following uses: (1) Hunting; (2) Fishing; (3) Wildlife Observation and Photography; (4) Environmental Education and Interpretation; (5) Refuge Access for Public Uses; (6) Trapping of Selected Furbearers for Management; (7) Collecting Reptiles and Amphibians; (8) Refuge Resource Research Studies; (9) Cooperative Farming; (10) Commercial Photography; (11) Commercial Tours and Guiding; (12) Wood and Reed Gathering; (13) Meetings of Non-Service Agencies and Organizations on the