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The Federal Subsistence Hunt Application, Permit, and Report form allows Federal subsistence users to participate in special hunts that are not available to the general public but are provided for by Title VIII of ANILCA. The collection of information on this form is essential to the missions of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Board. Without this information, the Service would be unable to set subsistence seasons and harvest limits to meet users' needs without adversely impacting the health of the animal population.

*Title:* Designated Hunter Permit Application, Permit, and Report.

*OMB Number:* 1018-0075.

*Service Form Number(s):* 7FS-2.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Description of Respondents:* Federally defined rural residents.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* The reporting burden is estimated to average .25 hours per response. The total annual burden is 100 hours.

*Total Annual Responses:* 400.

*Abstract:* Under the authority of ANILCA and Fish and Wildlife Service regulations at 50 CFR part 100, the Board obtains harvest information from persons engaged in taking fish and wildlife in Alaska and uses that information to evaluate subsistence harvest success; the effectiveness of season lengths, harvest quotas, and harvest restrictions; hunting patterns and practices; and hunter use. Then the Board uses this information, along with other information, to set future seasons and harvest limits for Federal subsistence resource users. These seasons and harvest limits are set in order to meet the needs of subsistence hunters without adversely impacting the health of existing wildlife populations.

The Designated Hunter Application, Permit, and Report form allows qualified subsistence users to harvest fish or wildlife for others and report the harvest of multiple animals by a single hunter who is acting for others. The collection of information on this form is essential to the missions of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Board. Without this information, the Service

would be unable to set subsistence seasons and harvest limits to meet users' needs without adversely impacting the health of the animal population.

*Title:* Federal Subsistence Fish/Shellfish Harvest/Designated Harvester Application, Permit, and Report.

*OMB Number:* 1018-0075.

*Service Form Number(s):* 7FS-3.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Description of Respondents:* Federally defined rural residents.

*Total Annual Burden Hours:* The reporting burden is estimated to average .5 hours per response. The total annual burden is 62.5 hours.

*Total Annual Responses:* 125.

*Abstract:* ANILCA allows the taking of fish and wildlife on public lands in Alaska for subsistence use, if users possess and comply with the provisions of any pertinent permit, harvest tickets, or tags required by the State or Federal government. All Alaskans who are residents of rural areas or communities are eligible to participate in subsistence taking of fish and shellfish under the regulations at 50 CFR part 100. The Board needs information on the fisherman, qualified subsistence users fished for (*i.e.*, users who have designated another person to harvest for them), the fish or shellfish harvested, and the location of harvest in order to make recommendations on subsistence use. Once the Board evaluates harvest information, the Board uses that information, along with other information, to set future seasons and harvest limits for Federal subsistence resource users. These seasons and harvest limits are set in order to meet the needs of subsistence fisherman without adversely impacting the health of existing fish and shellfish populations.

The Federal Subsistence Fish/Shellfish Harvest/Designated Harvester Application, Permit, and Report form allows qualified subsistence users to harvest fish and shellfish for themselves or for others. This form also allows Federal subsistence users to participate in special fishing opportunities that are not available to the general public but are provided for by Title VIII of ANILCA. The collection of information on this form is essential to the missions of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Board. Without this information, the Service would be unable to set subsistence seasons and harvest limits to meet users' needs without adversely impacting the health of the fish and shellfish populations.

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. We are requesting a 3-year term of approval of this information collection. We invite comments concerning this renewal on: (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of our functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of our estimate of burden; (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.

Dated: January 13, 2003.

Anissa Craghead, Information Collection Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Information Collection To Be Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Federal Regional Council Application, Nomination, and Interview Forms

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will submit the collection of information listed below to OMB for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act. If you wish to obtain copies of the proposed information collection requirement, related forms, and explanatory material, contact the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer at the address listed below.

**DATES:** We will accept comments until February 18, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments on the requirement to Office of Management and Budget, Office of Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of the Interior Desk Officer, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, and to Anissa Craghead, Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, ms 222-ARLSQ, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203, (703) 358-2445.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request a copy of the information collection request, explanatory information and related forms, contact Anissa Craghead at (703) 358-2445, or electronically to [anissa\\_craghead@fws.gov](mailto:anissa_craghead@fws.gov).