

Control Number and should be sent to: Sonya Suarez, Office of Program Operations, Department of Housing & Urban Development, 451—7th Street, SW., Room 6206, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sonya Suarez, Ginnie Mae, (202) 708-2884 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Commitment to Guarantee Mortgage-Backed Securities.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2503-0001.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This form is used by Mortgage-Backed Securities issuers to apply for Ginnie Mae commitment authority to guarantee mortgage-backed securities.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: HUD Form 11704.

Members of affected public: For-profit business (mortgage companies, thrifts, savings & loans, etc.).

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection, including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:

Number of respondents—300
Frequency of responses—4 (per year)
Total annual response—1,200
Hours per response—.25 (15 minutes)
Total burden hours—300

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

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Executive Vice President, Ginnie Mae.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Availability of the Final Joint Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Lower Fox River and Green Bay Area and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

AGENCIES: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior, lead; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior, cooperating agency; National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce, cooperating agency.

ACTION: Notice of Release of Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and Final Restoration Plan and EA.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public and other agencies of the availability of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) and the document titled "Joint Restoration Plan and Environmental Assessment for the Lower Fox River and Green Bay Area" ("The Plan") upon which it is based. The Fish and Wildlife Service formally selected Alternative C of The Plan through signing of the FONSI. Alternative C provides for natural resource-based restoration within and beyond the Assessment Area.

ADDRESSES: Persons may obtain copies of the final document by writing, telephoning, faxing, or e-mailing: Colette S. Charbonneau, 2661 Scott Tower Drive, New Franken, Wisconsin 54229, Telephone: (920) 866-1726, Fax: (920) 866-1710, e-mail: colette_charbonneau@fws.gov. The document is also available at the following Internet address: <http://midwest.fws.gov/nepa/>.

Copies of the document will be available for onsite review at the Appleton Public Library, 225 N. Oneida St., Appleton, Wisconsin; Brown County Library, 515 Pine St., Green Bay, Wisconsin; Door County Library, 104 S. Fourth Ave., Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin; Oneida Community Library, 201 Elm St., Oneida, Wisconsin; Oshkosh Public Library, 106 Washington Ave., Oshkosh, Wisconsin and the Escanaba Public Library, 400 Ludington Street, Escanaba, Michigan.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The objective of the Natural Resource

Damage Assessment and Restoration process in the Lower Fox River and Green Bay area is to compensate the public, through environmental restoration, for losses to natural resources that have been caused by historic releases of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) into the environment. The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA, more commonly known as the federal "Superfund" law) [42 U.S.C. 9601, *et seq.*] and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (CWA, commonly known as the Clean Water Act) [33 U.S.C. 1251, *et seq.*] authorize States, federally recognized Tribes, and certain federal agencies that have authority to manage or control natural resources, to act as "trustees" on behalf of the public, to restore, rehabilitate, replace, and/or acquire natural resources equivalent to those harmed by hazardous substance releases.

The U.S. Department of the Interior (represented by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs), U.S. Department of Commerce (represented by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration), Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, Michigan Attorney General, and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality ("Trustees") are trustees for natural resources considered in this Natural Resource Damage Assessment and Restoration (NRDAR) project, pursuant to subpart G of the National Oil and Hazardous Substances Pollution Contingency Plan (40 CFR 300.600 and 300.610) and Executive Order 12580.

The Trustees have a Memorandum of Agreement which establishes a Trustee Council to develop and implement a restoration plan for ecological restorations in the Fox River valley and Green Bay watershed. The Trustees followed the NRDAR regulations found at 43 CFR part 11 for the development of The Plan. The Plan addresses the Trustees' overall approach to restore, rehabilitate, replace or acquire the equivalent of natural resources injured by the release of PCBs into the Lower Fox River and Green Bay environment. Signing of the FONSI completed the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process and allows the Plan to be implemented, as described in Alternative C.

The Trustees have worked together, in a cooperative process, to determine appropriate restoration activities to address natural resource injuries caused by historic releases of PCBs into the Lower Fox River and Green Bay