

profit. The information taken in this collection is necessary for ICE to grant access to eBonds and to notify the public of the duties and responsibilities associated with accessing eBonds. The I-352SA and the I-352RA are the two instruments used to collect the information associated with this collection. The I-352SA is to be completed by a Surety that currently holds a Certificate of Authority to act as a Surety on Federal bonds and details the requirements for accessing eBonds as well as the documentation, in addition to the I-352SA and I-352RA, which the Surety must submit prior to being granted access to eBonds. The I-352RA provides notification that eBonds is a Federal government computer system and as such users must abide by certain conduct guidelines to access eBonds and the consequences if such guidelines are not followed.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 100 responses at 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 50 annual burden hours.

Dated: January 21, 2016.

Scott Elmore,

Program Manager, Forms Management Office, Office of the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Draft Recovery Plan for the Laguna Mountains Skipper

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the availability of the Draft Recovery Plan for Laguna Mountains skipper, a small butterfly, for public review and comment. The draft recovery plan includes recovery objectives and criteria, and specific actions necessary to achieve recovery and removal of the species from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife. We request review and comment on this

draft recovery plan from local, State, and Federal agencies, and the public.

DATES: We must receive any comments on the draft recovery plan on or before March 28, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may obtain a copy of the draft recovery plan from our Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/endangered/species/recovery-plans.html>.

Alternatively, you may contact the Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2177 Salk Avenue, Suite 250, Carlsbad, CA 92008 (telephone 760-431-9440). If you wish to comment on the draft recovery plan, you may submit your comments in writing by any one of the following methods:

- *U.S. mail:* Field Supervisor, at the above address;
- *Hand-delivery:* Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife Office, at the above address; or
- *Email:* fw8cfwocomments@fws.gov.

For additional information about submitting comments, see the "Request for Public Comments" section below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mendel Stewart, Field Supervisor, at the above street address or telephone number (see **ADDRESSES**).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Recovery of endangered or threatened animals and plants to the point where they are again secure, self-sustaining members of their ecosystems is a primary goal of our endangered species program and the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Recovery means improvement of the status of listed species to the point at which listing is no longer appropriate under the criteria specified in section 4(a)(1) of the Act. The Act requires the development of recovery plans for listed species, unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species.

The Laguna Mountains skipper is a small butterfly that inhabits large wet mountain meadows and associated forest openings at elevations above 3,900 feet (ft) (1,189 meters (m)). We listed the Laguna Mountains skipper (*Pyrgus ruralis lagunae*) as endangered throughout its entire range in 1997 (January 16, 1997; 62 FR 2313). At the time of listing, the subspecies occurred in the Laguna Mountains and on Palomar Mountain in San Diego County, California, but it is currently restricted to Palomar Mountain, where there are four extant occurrences. Adult occupancy is also associated with surface water such as streams and wet seeps, and population growth appears positively correlated with rainfall levels.

Horkelia clevelandii (Cleveland's horkelia) is Laguna Mountains skipper's primary host plant.

The primary threats to survival of the Laguna Mountains skipper are habitat modification through poor management of cattle grazing and succession, climate change, incidental ingestion by cattle, and small isolated populations susceptible to events such as drought and fire.

Recovery Plan Goals

The purpose of a recovery plan is to provide a framework for the recovery of species so that protection under the Act is no longer necessary. A recovery plan includes scientific information about the species and provides criteria that enable us to gauge whether downlisting or delisting the species is warranted. Furthermore, recovery plans help guide our recovery efforts by describing actions we consider necessary for each species' conservation and by estimating time and costs for implementing needed recovery measures.

The ultimate goal of this recovery plan is to recover the Laguna Mountains skipper so that it can be delisted. The interim goal is to recover the species to the point that it can be downlisted from endangered to threatened status. To meet the recovery goal, the following objectives have been identified:

1. Validate the population ecology model to advance our ability to understand and monitor the status of Laguna Mountains skipper and inform management practices;
2. Increase abundance and ensure long-term persistence of Laguna Mountains skipper through reduction and management of threats to the subspecies and its habitat throughout its current range; and
3. Ensure population redundancy of Laguna Mountains skipper through documentation and reestablishment (where needed) of multiple resilient and genetically representative populations within its historical range.

As the Laguna Mountains skipper meets recovery criteria, we will review its status and consider it for downlisting or removal from the Federal List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife.

Request for Public Comments

We request written comments on the draft recovery plan described in this notice. All comments received by the date specified in the **DATES** section will be considered in development of a final recovery plan for Laguna Mountains skipper. You may submit written comments and information by mail or in person to the Carlsbad Fish and Wildlife

Office at the address in the **ADDRESSES** section.

Public Availability of Comments

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.

Authority

We developed our recovery plan under the authority of section 4(f) of the Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f). We publish this notice under section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: January 14, 2016.

Alexandra Pitts,

Acting Regional Director, Pacific Southwest Region, Sacramento, California.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

[GX15.WB12.C25A1.00]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments on the Alaska Beak Deformity Observations

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of a new information collection, Alaska Beak Deformity Observations.

SUMMARY: We (the U.S. Geological Survey) are notifying the public that we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the information collection request (ICR) described below. To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) 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 ICR.

DATES: To ensure that your comments on this ICR are considered, OMB must receive them on or before February 25, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Please submit written comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office

of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, via email: (OIRA_SUBMISSION@omb.eop.gov); or by fax (202) 395-5806; and identify your submission with 'OMB Control Number 1028-NEW 'Alaska Beak Deformity Observations'. Please also forward a copy of your comments and suggestions on this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703) 648-7195 (fax); or gs-info_collections@usgs.gov (email). Please reference 'OMB Information Collection 1028-NEW: 'Alaska Beak Deformity Observations' in all correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Colleen Handel, Alaska Science Center, U.S. Geological Survey, 4210 University Drive, Anchorage, AK 99508 (mail); 907-786-7181 (phone); or cmhandel@usgs.gov (email). You may also find information about this ICR at www.reginfo.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

As part of the USGS Ecosystems mission to assess the status and trends of the Nation's biological resources, the Alaska Science Center Landbird Program conducts research on avian populations within Alaska. Beginning in the late 1990s, an outbreak of beak deformities in Black-capped Chickadees emerged in southcentral Alaska. USGS scientists launched a study to understand the scope of this problem and its effect on wild birds. Since that time, researchers have gathered important information about the deformities but their cause still remains unknown. Members of the public provide observation reports of birds with deformities from around Alaska and other regions of North America. These reports are very important in that they allow researchers to determine the geographical distribution and species affected. Data collection over such a large and remote area would not be possible without the public's assistance.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1028-NEW.

Title: Alaska Beak Deformity Observations.

Type of Request: Approval of new information collection.

Respondent Obligation: Participation is voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: Seasonally variable, from zero to ten observations as needed.

Description of Respondents: Individuals and Households.

Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses: 250.

Estimated Time per Response: We estimate that it will take approximately 5 minutes to read the instructions and 10 minutes to complete the response form.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 63 hours.

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden: There are no "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this collection of information.

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*) provides that an agency may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Until the OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obliged to respond.

Comments: On August 14, 2015, we published a **Federal Register** notice (80 FR 48909) announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval and soliciting comments. The comment period closed on October 13, 2015. We received no comments.

III. Request for Comments

We again invite comments concerning this ICR as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) how to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your personal mailing 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 in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

Mark Shasby,

Alaska Science Center Director.

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