

Project (CVP) has total contractual obligations and delivery losses of approximately 3.45 million acre-feet per year. The theoretical maximum pumping capability of CVP facilities serving this area is approximately 3.09 million acre-feet per year. Available supplies are apportioned under a hierarchy of allocation in which agricultural water service contracts, totaling about 1.85 million acre-feet per year, are provided water only after all other obligations are met.

Implementation of the CVPIA (1992), Endangered Species Act (1993–1995), and revised Bay-Delta water quality standards have further reduced pumping capabilities and water supplies available to agricultural contractors. Currently agricultural contractors can expect to receive a long-term average supply of about 50 to 55 percent of contract water as compared to a pre-1992 average of 88 to 92 percent.

Alternatives identified and evaluated, based on criteria adopted to maintain environmental quality, provide for continued agricultural production and include the proposed project, construction of new wells, and fallowing of farmland. The project proponents propose to pump up to 269,600 acre-feet of groundwater over the 10-year period from non-CVP wells located adjacent to the Mendota Pool into the Mendota Pool to make up for a portion of the annual shortfall in the contract water to be delivered via the CVP. The actual quantity of water to be pumped would depend on whether the year is classified as wet (0 acre-feet per year), normal (maximum of 31,600 acre-feet per year), or dry (maximum of 40,000 acre-feet per year). As part of this program, a maximum of 12,000 acre-feet per year of groundwater would be pumped from deep wells (*i.e.*, screened interval greater than 130 feet deep), with the remainder coming from shallow wells (*i.e.*, screened interval less than 130 feet deep). The proposed project will comply with the terms specified in the *Settlement Agreement for Mendota Pool Transfer Pumping Program*, effective January 1, 2001.

The Federal action contemplated in the EIS is the exchange with Reclamation of a maximum of 25,000 acre-feet of the total quantity pumped each year. This water would be made available to Reclamation in the Mendota Pool to offset their existing water contract obligations. In exchange, Reclamation would make an equivalent amount of CVP water available to the members of the Mendota Pool Group for irrigation purposes at Check 13 of the Delta-Mendota Canal. Any quantity of water pumped by the Mendota Pool

Group beyond the 25,000 acre-feet exchanged is not part of the Federal action, but is evaluated in the EIS. The water pumped in excess of the 25,000 acre-feet exchanged with Reclamation would be delivered directly to other lands that are presently under irrigation around the Pool.

The primary environmental resource issues that are evaluated in the EIS include groundwater levels, groundwater quality, subsidence, surface water quality, and biological resources. Other resource areas evaluated include cost of water, CVP operations, archaeological and cultural resources, Indian Trust assets, environmental justice, socioeconomic resources, land use, transportation, air quality, and noise.

There are no known Indian Trust Assets or environmental justice issues associated with the proposed action.

Reclamation published the notice of availability of the draft EIS in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, July 29, 2003 (68 FR 44542). The 60-day written comment period ended on September 29, 2003. Reclamation obtained public input on the scope of the project and potential alternatives through solicitation of comment letters and a public scoping meeting. Ten comment letters were received. The final EIS addresses the comments received on the draft EIS both as revisions to the text, and in an appendix that provides specific responses to each comment.

It is Reclamation's practice to publicly disclose respondents' comments, including names and addresses. Respondents may request that their address be withheld from disclosure; this will be honored to the extent allowable by law. There may also be circumstances in which a respondent's identity may be withheld from disclosure; again, this will be honored to the extent allowable by law. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. All submissions from organizations or businesses will be publicly disclosed in their entirety.

Dated: November 29, 2004.

Kirk C. Rodgers,

Regional Director, Mid-Pacific Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Reclamation

Change in Discount Rate for Water Resources Planning

AGENCY: Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of change.

SUMMARY: The Water Resources Planning Act of 1965 and the Water Resources Development Act of 1974 require an annual determination of a discount rate for Federal water resources planning. The discount rate for Federal water resources planning for fiscal year 2005 is 5.375 percent. Discounting is to be used to convert future monetary values to present values.

DATES: This discount rate is to be used for the period October 1, 2004, through and including September 30, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandra L. Simons, Manager, Contract Services Office, Denver, Colorado, 80225; telephone: 303-445-2902.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the interest rate to be used by Federal agencies in the formulation and evaluation of plans for water and related land resources is 5.375 percent for fiscal year 2005.

This rate has been computed in accordance with Section 80(a), Pub. L. 93-251 (88 Stat 34) and 18 CFR 704.39, which: (1) Specify that the rate shall be based upon the average yield during the preceding fiscal year on interest-bearing marketable securities of the United States which, at the time the computation is made, have terms of 15 years or more remaining to maturity (average yield is rounded to nearest one-eighth percent); and (2) provide that the rate shall not be raised or lowered more than one-quarter of 1 percent for any year. The Treasury Department calculated the specified average to be 5.088 percent. Rounding this average yield to the nearest one-eighth percent is 5.125 percent, which exceeds the permissible one-quarter of 1 percent change from fiscal year 2004 to 2005. Therefore, the change is limited to one-quarter of 1 percent.

The rate of 5.375 percent shall be used by all Federal agencies in the formulation and evaluation of water and related land resources plans for the purpose of discounting future benefits and computing costs or otherwise converting benefits and costs to a common time basis.

Dated: November 13, 2004.

Roseann Gonzales,

Director, Office of Program and Policy Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 1, 2004.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). A copy of each ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting the Department of Labor (DOL). To obtain documentation, contact Ira Mills on (202) 693-4122 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: mills.ira@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for DOL, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503 (202) 395-7316 (this is not a toll-free number), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Type of Review: New collection.

Title: Unemployment Insurance Facilitation of Claimant Reemployment.

OMB Number: 1205-0NEW.

Frequency: Quarterly.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government; Federal Government.

Number of Respondents: 53.

Number of Annual Responses: 212.

Total Burden Hours: 2,120.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 Hours.

Total annualized capital/startup costs: \$145,750.

Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): \$79,500.

Description: The Department of Labor requests approval to establish a system to collect data at the state level on the percentage of individuals who become reemployed in the calendar quarter subsequent to the quarter in which they received their first Unemployment Insurance (UI) payment. This data will be used to measure performance for the Department's Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 goal of facilitating the reemployment of UI claimants.

Ira L. Mills,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 2, 2004.

The Department of Labor (DOL) has submitted the following public information collection requests (ICRs) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35). A copy of each ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by contacting Darrin King on 202-693-4129 (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail: king.darrin@dol.gov.

Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202-395-7316 (this is not a toll-free number), within 30 days from the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title: Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries.

OMB Number: 1220-0133.

Form Number: BLS CFOI-1.

Frequency: On occasion.

Type of Response: Reporting.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government; individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; farms; and Federal Government.

Number of Respondents: 1,345.

Number of Annual Responses: 27,750.

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes to compile source documents and 20 minutes to complete the Form BLS CFOI-1.

Total Burden Hours: 4,813.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: \$0.

Total Annual Costs (Operating/Maintaining Systems or Purchasing Services): \$0.

Description: The Census of Fatal Occupational Injuries provides policymakers and the public with comprehensive, verifiable, and timely measures of fatal work injuries. Data are compiled from various Federal, State, and local sources and include information on how the incident occurred as well as various characteristics of the employer and the deceased worker. The information is used for surveillance of fatal work injuries and for developing prevention strategies.

Agency: Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Type of Review: Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved collection.

Title: Contingent Work Supplement to the CPS.

OMB Number: 1220-0153.

Form Number: None.

Frequency: One time.

Type of Response: Reporting.