

paramount to ensure the effective and thorough decontamination of all material exiting the bio containment area within the facility. Rising health concerns and process efficiency/turn-around time with the use of formaldehyde gas (the current fumigation method used against FMDV and ASFV) are key driving factors in validating an alternative fumigation method. The fumigation method(s) will ultimately be used to decontaminate sensitive equipment and electronics, other material within the bio containment area, sealed portions of the facility, biological safety cabinets and perform in-place decontamination of heating, ventilation, and cooling (HVAC) HEPA filtration systems. The role of the collaborator(s) in this CRADA will be to provide PIADC with the materials, equipment, and technological expertise to support accurate and reliable efficacy testing using VHP and ClO₂. DHS S&T is seeking CRADA collaborators that own the technological components for, have the technological expertise in, and have proven track records of success in the fields of VHP and ClO₂ decontamination validation studies. The proposed term of the CRADA can be up to eighteen (18) months.

DATES: Submit comments on or before September 14, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Mail comments and requests to participate to Doug Ports, (PO Box 848, Greenport, NY 11944). Submit electronic comments and other data to Douglas.Ports@hq.dhs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information on DHS CRADAs: Marlene Owens, (202) 254-6671. Information on proposed technical effort: Doug Ports, (631) 323-3210.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Efficacy Testing Plan

The target agents (FMDV and ASFV) and test microorganisms (*Bacillus subtilis*, Vaccinia Virus, *Geobacillus stearothermophilus*, and potentially other commercially available spore strips) will be used to test the efficacy of VHP and ClO₂ on various surfaces including balsa wood, stainless steel, glass, and paper. Phase I of the testing is set to take place at a federal laboratory facility against the test microorganisms, requiring successful results prior to moving on to Phase II. Phase II testing will take place at PIADC (Plum Island, NY) against both the test microorganisms and target agents. Phase I and Phase II efficacy testing will not require the VHP or ClO₂ generators to enter the bio containment area; however, components or probes that do

enter the bio containment area will need to be decontaminated using a validated method prior to removal. Testing and decontamination validation will take place using pre-approved methods agreed upon between federal and non-federal personnel. Mutual benefits to both federal and non-federal collaborators include the opportunity to support the Homeland Security Enterprise in protecting the United States from internal and external foreign animal disease threats and response capabilities. Specifically, DHS S&T is interested in validated alternatives to formaldehyde fumigation with respect to outbreak control, infection control, and decontamination for FMDV and ASFV releases. The collaborators will also have the opportunity to test their decontamination methods directly against live FMDV and ASFV at the only laboratory in the United States, and one of few in the world, that works with live FMDV. Efficacy testing data and results may be published in scientific journals by or under the guidance of federal personnel.

Period of Performance

Once CRADA collaborators have been selected, finalized Phase I testing is expected to take approximately 3 months. Contingent on Phase I testing results, Phase II testing is expected to take an additional 6 months and data consolidation, analysis, and results finalization is expected to take another 3 months following.

Selection Criteria

The Plum Island Animal Disease Center (PIADC) reserves the right to select CRADA collaborators for all, some, or none of the proposals in response to this notice. PIADC will provide no funding for reimbursement of proposal development costs. Proposals (or any other material) submitted in response to this notice will not be returned. Proposals submitted are expected to be unclassified.

PIADC will select proposals at its sole discretion on the basis of:

- i. How well the proposal communicates the collaborators' understanding of and ability to meet the CRADAs goals and proposed timeline
- ii. How well the proposal addresses the following criteria:
 - a. Capability of the collaborator to provide equipment and materials for proposed Phase I and Phase II efficacy testing.
 - b. Capability of the collaborator to provide on-site and remote technological expertise, within a reasonable time period and for a

reasonable duration, for Phase I and Phase II efficacy testing. Participation in this CRADA does not imply the future purchase of any materials, equipment or services from the collaborating entities; however, non-Federal CRADA participants will not be excluded from any future PIADC procurements based solely on their participation in this CRADA.

Authority: CRADAs are authorized by the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986, as amended and codified by 15 U.S.C. 3710a. DHS, as an executive agency under 5 U.S.C. 105, is a Federal agency for the purposes of 15 U.S.C. 3710a and may enter into a CRADA. DHS delegated the authority to conduct CRADAs to the Science and Technology Directorate and its laboratories.

Dated: August 7, 2012

James Johnson,

Director, Office of National Laboratories.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-4067-DR; Docket ID FEMA-2012-0002]

Colorado; Amendment No. 2 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Colorado (FEMA-4067-DR), dated June 28, 2012, and related determinations.

DATES: *Effective Date:* August 6, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peggy Miller, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3886.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Colorado is hereby amended to include the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program for the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the event declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of June 28, 2012.

All counties in the State of Colorado are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora

Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households In Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.)

W. Craig Fugate,
Administrator, Federal Emergency
Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Information Collection; Evaluating the Effectiveness of Yellowstone National Park Bear Safety Information

AGENCY: United States Geological
Survey (USGS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We (U.S. Geological Survey) 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 (PRA), and as a 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. As a federal agency, we 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.

DATES: To ensure your comments on this IC are considered, we must receive them on or before October 12, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments to the IC to the USGS Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); or smbaloch@usgs.gov (email). Please reference Information Collection 1028–New: Yellowstone Bears.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leslie Richardson at U.S. Geological Survey, 2150 Centre Avenue, Bldg. C, Fort Collins, CO 80525 (mail), or at (970) 226–9181 (phone).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

In 2011, two fatalities were caused by grizzly bears in Yellowstone National Park (YNP); the first bear-caused fatalities to occur within park boundaries in 25 years. As a result of these events, park managers are reviewing the effectiveness of bear safety messaging and its message delivery media to backcountry visitors. USGS social scientists and a NPS bear management biologist will use their combined expertise to conduct a social survey of backcountry visitors to YNP to help park managers achieve this review. The survey will identify the effectiveness of various bear safety information and education messages; the results will be used to direct future bear safety information and education efforts in YNP. No such prior analysis has been conducted in YNP.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1028–NEW.

Title: Evaluating the effectiveness of Yellowstone National Park bear safety information.

Type of Request: New collection.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Frequency of Collection: One time only.

Estimated Number and Description of Respondents: 1500 backcountry visitors to YNP.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 1500.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 750.

III. Request for Comments

We invite comments concerning this information collection 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, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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 we will be able to do so.

Dated: August 7, 2012.

David J. Newman,
Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Approved Tribal—State Class III Gaming Compact; Indian Gaming

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Approved Tribal—
State Class III Gaming Compact.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes an approval of the gaming compact between the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the State of North Carolina.

DATES: *Effective Date:* August 13, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219–4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (IGRA), Public Law 100–497, 25 U.S.C. 2710, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the **Federal Register** notice of approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. The Compact permits the Tribe to conduct live table gaming in a zone of geographic exclusivity that extends to all parts of North Carolina west of the Interstate Highway 26. In addition to the exclusive right to operate live table games, the Tribe is also the only entity permitted to operate slot machines, dice, or wheel games in the State.

Dated: August 3, 2012.

Michael S. Black,
Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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