

*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 .....	190,000.
Estimate Responses per Respondent .....	1 every 2 years.
Time (minutes) per Respondent .....	49.
Total hours to respond .....	155,167.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.  
*Status of the proposed information collection:* Pending OMB approval.

**Authority:** Title 13 U.S.C. Section 9(a), and Title 12, U.S.C., Section 1701z-1 *et seq.*

Dated: August 3, 2010.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Vendor Outreach Workshop for Small Businesses in the National Capitol Region of the United States

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization of the Department of the Interior are hosting a Vendor Outreach Workshop for small businesses in the National Capitol region of the United States that are interested in doing business with the Department. This outreach workshop will review market contracting opportunities for the attendees. Business owners will be able to share their individual perspectives with Contracting Officers, Program Managers and Small Business Specialists from the Department.

**DATES:** The workshop will be held on August 31, 2010, from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the U.S. Department of the Interior Main Auditorium, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240. Register online at: <http://www.doi.gov/osdbu>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Oliver, Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, 1951 Constitution Ave., NW., MS-320 SIB, Washington, DC 20240, telephone 1-877-375-9927 (Toll-Free).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the Small Business Act, as amended by Public Law 95-507, the Department has the responsibility to promote the use of small and small

disadvantaged business for its acquisition of goods and services. The Department is proud of its accomplishments in meeting its business goals for small, small disadvantaged, 8(a), woman-owned, HUBZone, and service-disabled veteran-owned businesses. In Fiscal Year 2009, the Department awarded 56 percent of its \$2.6 billion in contracts to small businesses.

This fiscal year, the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization are reaching out to our internal stakeholders and the Department's small business community by conducting several vendor outreach workshops. The Department's presenters will focus on contracting and subcontracting opportunities and how small businesses can better market services and products. Over 3,000 small businesses have been targeted for this event. If you are a small business interested in working with the Department, we urge you to register online at: <http://www.doi.gov/osdbu> and attend the workshop.

These outreach events are a new and exciting opportunity for the Department's bureaus and offices to improve their support for small business. Additional scheduled events are posted on the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization website at <http://www.doi.gov/osdbu>.

**Mark Oliver,**

*Director, Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Reclamation

#### Northwest Area Water Supply Project, North Dakota

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Reclamation, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) is commencing work under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) on a

Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Northwest Area Water Supply Project (NAWS Project), a Federal reclamation project, located in North Dakota. A Final EIS and Record of Decision (ROD) for the NAWS Project were previously completed in December 2008 and January 2009, respectively. The Final EIS and ROD were challenged in U.S. District Court. A subsequent court order found the Final EIS to be insufficient in two areas. Therefore a supplement is being prepared to address those areas in more detail and any others that interested parties or the public may identify warranting additional analysis, as well as to re-examine and update, to the extent necessary, prior NEPA analysis that has been completed in connection with the NAWS Project to date. This notice is being published to inform the public about the preparation of the Supplemental EIS and to initiate a formal scoping period for obtaining public comment. The scoping period for the supplement will conclude 60 days following publication of this notice. Public meetings are scheduled as part of the scoping process.

Reclamation invites all interested parties to submit written comments or suggestions during the scoping period related to significant issues, environmental impacts, and reasonable alternatives to the proposed action. Reclamation will provide a separate project information document that describes the Supplemental EIS actions and how the public can become involved and participate. The project information document will provide details relative to the Supplemental EIS and is intended to assist the public in providing comments during the scoping period.

**DATES:** Public scoping meetings will be held during September 2010. See the Supplemental Information section for dates and locations of these meetings. Individuals who want to receive the additional project information document should contact Reclamation within 15 days following publication of this notice. Written or e-mailed comments on the scope of issues and alternatives should be received by October 12, 2010. Comments received

after that date will be considered to the extent practical.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be submitted to: Bureau of Reclamation, Dakotas Area Office, Attention: Alicia Waters, P.O. Box 1017, Bismarck, ND 58502.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Alicia Waters, Northwest Area Water Supply Project EIS, Bureau of Reclamation, Dakotas Area Office, P.O. Box 1017, Bismarck, ND 58502; Telephone: (701) 221-1206; or facsimile (701) 250-4326. You may submit e-mail to [NAWS\\_EIS@usbr.gov](mailto:NAWS_EIS@usbr.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Dates of Public Scoping Meetings**

- September 13, 2010, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m., Bottineau, ND
- September 14, 2010, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m., Minot, ND
- September 15, 2010, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m., New Town, ND
- September 16, 2010, 6:30 p.m.–8:30 p.m., Bismarck, ND

**Locations of Public Scoping Meetings**

- MSU–Bottineau, Nelson Science Center Room 125, 105 Simrall Boulevard, Bottineau, ND
- Sleep Inn—Inn and Suites, North Convention Center, 2400 10th Street NW., Minot, ND
- 4 Bears Casino, Mandan Room, 202 Frontage Room, New Town, ND
- Best Western Doublewood Inn, Congress Room, 1400 Interchange Avenue, Bismarck, ND

The meeting facilities are physically accessible to people with disabilities. People needing special assistance to attend and/or participate in the public meetings should contact Patience Hurley at 701-221-1204 as soon as possible. To allow sufficient time to process special requests, please call no later than one week before the public meeting of interest.

**Background**

The Garrison Diversion Unit's Municipal, Rural and Industrial Water Supply (MR&I) program was authorized by the U.S. Congress on May 12, 1986, through the Garrison Diversion Unit Reformulation Act of 1986. This act authorized the appropriation of \$200 million of Federal funds for the planning and construction of water supply facilities throughout North Dakota. The NAWS Project is being constructed under this authorization.

The NAWS Project is designed as a bulk water distribution system that will service local communities and rural water systems in 10 counties in northwestern North Dakota including

the community of Minot. The NAWS Project would convey water from Lake Sakakawea, in the Missouri River Basin in North Dakota, through a buried pipeline to Minot, surrounding communities and rural water systems in the Hudson Bay Basin. The Project would include a treatment plant in the Missouri River Basin to disinfect the water prior to it being delivered through the pipeline into the Hudson Bay Basin. An Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) were completed for the Project in 2001.

Construction on the project began in April 2002. In October 2002, the Province of Manitoba, Canada, filed a legal challenge in U.S. District Court in Washington, DC to compel the Department of the Interior to complete an EIS on the project. A court order dated February 3, 2005, remanded the case to Reclamation for completion of additional environmental analysis, but allowed construction to proceed on project features that would not preclude a future decision on water treatment to reduce the risk of transferring invasive species.

Project construction has continued as allowed by the court. Between 2002 and 2010, the entire 45 miles of main transmission pipeline for NAWS, from Lake Sakakawea to Minot, was completed along with several segments of the distribution system. The City of Minot is temporarily serving water to several communities and rural water systems with water from the city's ground water wells. This interim water supply is provided by the city through temporary water service contracts which expire in 2018 or sooner depending on the reliability of the water source.

Recently completed features of the NAWS Project include a high service pump station and 2 million gallon storage reservoir in Minot. Most of the other segments of the distribution system are being designed or constructed. The court also allowed the State of North Dakota to initiate design work on upgrades to the existing Minot water treatment plant which are necessary for the city to continue delivering the interim water supply to adjacent communities.

In March 2006, Reclamation initiated an EIS focused on different water treatment methods for the water from Lake Sakakawea. The analysis focused on environmental impacts that could occur due to pipeline leaks and failure of the water treatment systems. The Draft EIS was published on December 21, 2007 and the Final EIS on December 5, 2008 (documents available electronically at <http://www.usbr.gov/>

[gp/dkao/](http://www.usbr.gov/)). Reclamation signed a Record of Decision (ROD) on January 15, 2009, selecting an alternative using chlorination and ultraviolet radiation to disinfect the water before it is delivered into the Hudson Bay Basin. Final treatment to drinking water standards would occur at the existing water treatment plant in Minot.

In February 2009, the Department of Justice notified the court that Reclamation had completed the Final EIS and ROD. Shortly thereafter, the Province of Manitoba filed a supplemental complaint contending the Final EIS was insufficient. Additionally, the State of Missouri filed a complaint against the Department of the Interior and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the same District Court in Washington, DC. The State of Missouri alleged that Reclamation's Final EIS was insufficient and that the Corps of Engineers failed to complete a separate National Environmental Policy Act assessment for the NAWS Project. The court combined the Missouri suit with the Manitoba suit. On March 5, 2010, the court issued an order in favor of the Province of Manitoba and the State of Missouri. The case was remanded to Reclamation and the injunction imposed by the April 15, 2005, order remains in effect.

The Court found the EIS inadequately examined: (1) Cumulative impacts of water withdrawals on Lake Sakakawea and the Missouri River, and (2) consequences of transferring potentially invasive species into the Hudson Bay Basin.

**Purpose of the Proposed Action**

The purpose of the proposed action is to provide a reliable source of high quality treated water to northwestern North Dakota for MR&I uses.

**Need for the Proposed Action**

The NAWS Project is needed: (1) To provide high quality treated water because northwestern North Dakota has experienced water supply problems for many years, (2) to replace poor quality groundwater sources presently used for MR&I purposes, and (3) because the surface water supplies within the service area are insufficient from both a quality and quantity standpoint. This Supplemental EIS is needed to comply with the Court order of March 5, 2010, and fully satisfy NEPA. Reclamation will conduct additional analyses to address the Court's order regarding the consequences of transferring potentially invasive species into the Hudson Bay Basin and the cumulative impacts of water withdrawals on Lake Sakakawea and the Missouri River, in addition to

re-examining and updating all prior NEPA analysis that has been completed in connection with the NAWS Project to date.

### The Proposed Action

Reclamation proposes to complete construction of the NAWS Project, including construction of a biota water treatment plant, to treat the source water from Lake Sakakawea before it is transported into the Hudson Bay drainage. As part of this proposed action, Reclamation would implement construction methods and operational measures to further reduce the risk of invasive species transfer that may occur as a result of an interruption in the treatment process and breach in the buried pipeline to the Minot water treatment plant.

### Scope of the Proposed Action

The geographic scope of the Supplemental EIS will include areas and resources within the Missouri River Basin and Hudson Bay Basin that may be affected by water diversion and delivery for NAWS project purposes. This includes, but is not necessarily limited to: (1) The sites of NAWS Project features and facilities; (2) lands and waters that receive NAWS Project MR&I water supplies, including downstream areas in the Hudson Bay Basin; and (3) the Missouri River from Lake Sakakawea to its confluence with the Mississippi River.

The Supplemental EIS will review, and update, if necessary, the prior Environmental Assessment and Environmental Impact Statement. This Supplemental EIS will further evaluate the consequences of transferring potentially invasive species to the Hudson Bay Basin and the cumulative effects of water withdrawals from the Missouri River. Additional issues or concerns identified in the scoping process will be considered by Reclamation and evaluated in the Supplemental EIS as appropriate. Identification of known methods and technologies that can be used to assess potential consequences to resources will be considered as well.

### Summary

Reclamation is preparing a Supplemental EIS to address the relevant issues related to final construction and operation of the NAWS Project. We are seeking comment from the public on the development of reasonable alternatives to the proposed action, information relative to new water treatment processes that could be considered, methods for evaluating the risks and potential consequences which

may be associated with the proposed action, and concerns relative to the environmental effects that should be described in the supplement. We also seek identification of any issues in prior NEPA analyses for the NAWS Project to date that should be updated, and the identification of any other issues that should be addressed by the Supplemental EIS.

### Public Disclosure Statement

Before including your name, address, telephone number, e-mail 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.

**John F. Soucy,**

*Assistant Regional Director, Great Plains Region, Bureau of Reclamation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### National Park Service

#### Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Program Project Performance Reports, Conversion of Use Provisions, and Grant Agreements and Amendments

**AGENCY:** National Park Service, Interior.

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we (National Park Service, NPS) have sent three interrelated Information Collection Requests (ICRs) to OMB for renewal (OMB Control Numbers 1024-0028, 1024-0048, and 1024-0089). We summarize each ICR below and describe the nature of the collection and the estimated burden. These ICRs are scheduled to expire on August 31, 2010. We 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. However, under OMB regulations, we may continue to conduct or sponsor this information collection while it is pending at OMB.

**DATES:** Submit comments on any or all of these ICRs on or before September 13, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments and suggestions on these ICRs to the Desk Officer for the Department of the

Interior at OMB-OIRA at (202) 395-5806 (fax) or [OIRA\\_DOCKET@OMB.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@OMB.eop.gov) (e-mail). Please provide a copy of your comments to Cartina Miller, Information Collection Clearance Officer, National Park Service, at 202-371-2049 (fax) or [Cartina\\_Miller@nps.gov](mailto:Cartina_Miller@nps.gov) (e-mail). Please specify the appropriate OMB control number(s) in the subject line of your comment.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurie Heupel, Outdoor Recreation Planner, State and Local Assistance Programs, National Park Service, 1849 C Street NW., Mail Stop 2225, Washington, DC 20240 (mail) or phone: 202-354-6914. You are entitled to a copy of the ICR packages free of charge.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Congress passed the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery (UPARR) Act (16 U.S.C. 2501 *et seq.*) as Title X of the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978. The UPARR Act authorized the Secretary of the Interior to establish a grant program to help physically and economically distressed urban areas improve recreation opportunities for their residents. We administer the UPARR program in accordance with regulations at 36 CFR 72. While the program has remained authorized, it has not been funded since Fiscal Year 2002. It may receive funding in the future, and we are seeking renewal of the following information collections associated with the UPARR program:

#### 1. Performance Reports

*Title:* Urban Park and Recovery Project Performance Report, 36 CFR 72.  
*OMB Control Number:* 1024-0028.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection of information.

*Brief Description of Collection:* Project Performance Reports include the scheduled completion date, percent completed to date, and percent to be completed at the end of next report period. We also ask for the percent of costs expended to date and the percent of costs to be expended by the end of the next reporting period. Reasons for delays or cost adjustments are described in the report. We use the information: (1) To monitor against possible waste, fraud, and abuse; (2) for billing and audit purposes; and (3) to prepare reports to Congress as necessary.

*Affected Public:* Local governments.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

*Frequency of Response:* Annually for active grants.

*Estimated Total Annual Responses:* 1.

*Estimated Completion Time per Response:* 1 hour.