A Standard MTW Agreement (Standard Agreement) was developed in 2007, and was transmitted to the existing MTW agencies in January 2008. As additional MTW PHAs were selected they too were provided with the Standard Agreement. All 39 existing MTW agencies operate under this agreement, which authorizes participation in the demonstration through each agency’s 2018 fiscal year. HUD is currently working on an extension of the Standard Agreement to 2028, as required by the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016.

Under the Standard Agreement, all MTW sites are authorized to combine their operating, modernization and housing choice voucher funding into a single “block” grant. Because they cannot conform with the requirement for the regular PHA annual and 5 year plans, and because HUD requires different information from these PHAs for program oversight purposes, these sites are required to submit an annual MTW Plan and an annual MTW Report in accordance with their MTW Agreement, in lieu of the regular PHA annual and 5 year plans.

Through the MTW Annual Plan and Report, each MTW site will inform HUD, its residents and the public of the PHA’s mission for serving the needs of low-income and very low-income families, and the PHA’s strategy for addressing those needs. The MTW Annual Plan, like the Annual PHA Plan, provides an easily identifiable source by which residents, participants in tenant-based programs, and other members of the public may locate policies, rules, and requirements concerning the PHA’s operations, programs, and services. Revisions are being made to these 50900 forms to improve its usability and to address minor issues identified by HUD and the MTW PHAs over time. The form is also being updated also to implement provisions of the Department’s affirmatively furthering fair housing (AFFH) rule (24 CFR 5.150–5.180).

Respondents (i.e. affected public): The respondents to this PRA are the 39 affected PHAs. The application results in 1 total response per PHA for approximately 50 anticipated PHAs, or a total of 50 responses per year. The total is then 518 responses per year.

Frequency of Response: MTW PHAs complete requirements associated with this Form twice per year (Plan and Report). In the Plan, the PHA completes all 7 sections of the Form. In the Report, the PHA completes only 5 of the 7 sections of the Form. The application would be completed once.

Average Hours per Response: The estimated average burden is 40.5 hours per response (or 81 total hours per year) for the Plan and Report (for 39 PHAs) and 20 hours per year for the application (for 50 PHAs).

Total Estimated Burden: 5680.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

1. 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. The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed 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 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.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

Dated: October 18, 2017.
Colette Pollard, Department Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Bureau of Land Management
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AGENCY: Interior, North Slope Science Initiative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to request public nominations on the North Slope Science Initiative (NSSI) 15-member Science Technical Advisory Panel (Panel). The Panel advises the NSSI Oversight Group on technical issues such as identifying and prioritizing inventory, monitoring, and research needs across the North Slope of Alaska and the adjacent marine environment.

DATES: The deadline for the NSSI to receive all public nominations/applications for membership on the panel is November 24, 2017.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Mark Miller, Deputy Director, North Slope Science Initiative, Bureau of Land Management, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513, 907–271–3212, email memiller@blm.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FRS is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 348 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, Public Law 109–58, created the NSSI, its Oversight Group, and 15-member Science Technical Advisory Panel to coordinate inventories, monitoring, and research for a better understanding of terrestrial, aquatic, and marine ecosystems of the North Slope of Alaska. The NSSI works to minimize duplication of monitoring and research efforts, shares financial resources and expertise, identifies and prioritizes information needs, and ensures that science conducted by participating agencies and organizations is of the highest technical quality.

As an advisory body, the Panel represents diverse professions and interests, including the Alaska North Slope community, oil and gas industry, subsistence users, Alaska Native
entities, conservation organizations, and academia. Panel membership brings together diverse disciplines, such as North Slope traditional and local knowledge, landscape ecology, engineering, geology, sociology, anthropology, economics, ornithology, oceanography, fisheries, and marine biology.

Duties of the Panel are solely advisory to the Oversight Group. Panel members serve for 3-year terms, appointed by the Secretary of the Interior.

To Nominate or Apply

Nominees must have a minimum of five (5) years of experience in the Arctic in their field of expertise. Nomination forms and instructions are available from the BLM Web site (http://www.blm.gov/alaska) and from the Deputy Director, North Slope Science Initiative (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT, above). Completed nomination forms and a minimum of one letter of reference should describe the nominee’s experience and qualifications to serve on the Panel. Panel members receive no monetary compensation, but will be reimbursed for necessary travel, lodging, and per diem expenses for participating in announced meetings under Federal Travel Regulations and Federal Advisory Committee Act guidelines.

The Oversight Group includes the Alaska Regional or State Directors of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Park Service, the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, the National Marine Fisheries Service, and the Bureau of Land Management, the Commissioners of the Alaska Departments of Natural Resources and Fish and Game, the Mayor of the North Slope Borough, and the President of the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation. Advisory members of the Oversight Group include the Regional Executive of the U.S. Geological Survey; the Deputy Director of the U.S. Arctic Research Commission; the Alaska Regional Director of the National Weather Service; and the Regional Coordinator of the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration.

Public Disclosure of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your application, you should be aware that your entire application—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your application to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.


Karen E. Mouritsen,
Acting State Director, Alaska.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Anna Atkinson by email or by telephone at 703–787–1025.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment that addresses the following questions: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of BOEM? (2) Will this information be processed and used in a timely manner? (3) Is the estimate of burden accurate? (4) How might BOEM enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected? and (5) How might BOEM minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology?

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that you can ask us in your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
National Park Service

CANCELLATION OF THE OCTOBER 12, 2017, MEETING OF THE PATERSON GREAT FALLS NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK ADVISORY COMMISSION

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Cancellation of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the October 12, 2017, meeting of the Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park Advisory Commission previously announced in the Federal Register, Vol. 81, December 9, 2016, pp. 89145–89146, is cancelled.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Further information concerning meetings may be obtained from Darren Boch, Superintendent and Designated Federal Officer, Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park, 72 McBride Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey 07501, (973) 523–2630 or email darren.boch@nps.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 9-member Commission was established by 16 U.S.C. 410ll(e). The purpose of the Commission is to advise the Secretary of the Interior in the development and implementation of the management plan.

Alma Ripps,
Chief, Office of Policy.

AGENCY: Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the Bureau of Ocean Energy (BOEM) are proposing to renew an information collection with revisions.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 26, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection request (ICR) by mail to the BOEM Information Collection Clearance Officer, Anna Atkinson, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, 45600 Woodland Road, VAM–DIR, Sterling, Virginia 20166; or by email to anna.atkinson@boem.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1010–0057 in the subject line of your comments.

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