DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Glenn/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Glenn/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Willows, California. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Introductions, (2) Approval of Minutes, (3) Public Comment, (4) Brochure for Glenn/Colusa, (5) Glenn County School Project/ Possible Action (7) Bear Wallow Trail Proposal/ Possible Action, (8) Noxious Weed Proposal/ Possible Action, (9) Setting Up of Meeting for the Year, (10) General Discussion, (11) Next Agenda.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 26, 2004, from 1:30 p.m. and end at approximately 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mendocino National Forest Supervisor’s Office, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988. Individuals wishing to speak or propose agenda items must send their names and proposals to Jim Giachino, DFO, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bobbin Gaddini, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, PO Box 164, Elk Creek, CA 95939. (530) 968-5329; e-mail ggaddin@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, persons who wish to bring matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by January 22, 2004 will have the opportunity to address the committee at those sessions.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submit Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance, the following proposal for an extension of a currently approved collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Title: Survey of Foreign Ocean Carriers’ Expenses in the United States.

Form Number(s): BE–29.

Agency Approval Number: 0608–0012.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 652 hours.

Number of Respondents: 163.

Avg Hours Per Response: 4 hours.

Needs and Uses: The Bureau of Economic Analysis is responsible for the compilation of the U.S. balance of payments accounts. The information collected in this survey is an integral part of the “transportation” portion of the U.S. balance of payments accounts. The balance of payments accounts, which are published quarterly in the Bureau’s monthly publication, the Survey of Current Business, are one of the major statistical products of BEA. The accounts provide a statistical summary of U.S. international transactions and are used by government and private organizations for national and international policy formulation, and analytical studies.

The information collected is also used for compiling the U.S. national income and product accounts, and for reporting to international organizations such as the International Monetary Fund. Without the information collected in this survey, annual data needed for estimating an integral component of the transportation account would be unavailable. No other Government agency collects comprehensive annual data on foreign ocean carriers’ expenses in the United States.

The survey requests information from U.S. agents of foreign ocean carriers. Information is collected on an annual basis from U.S. agents that handle 40 or more port calls by foreign vessels and have annual total covered expenses of $250,000 or more. U.S. agents with less than 40 port calls or with annual total covered expenses below $250,000 are exempt from reporting.

AFFECTED PUBLIC: U.S. agents of foreign ocean carriers.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent’s Obligation: Mandatory.


Copies of the above extension of a currently approved collection can be obtained by calling or writing Diane Hynek, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations in response to this extension of a currently approved collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Paul Bugg, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202–395–7245; e-mail: pbugg@omb.eop.gov.


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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Weiss 301–713–0258, peter.weiss@noaa.gov.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Partnerships in the Provision of Weather, Water, Climate and Related Environmental Information

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) proposes to adopt a policy regarding the information activities of the National Weather Service (NWS) and potentially other NOAA programs. This new proposed policy is intended to strengthen the existing partnership between government, academia and the private sector. This partnership provides the nation with high quality weather, climate and related environmental information.

ADDRESSES: The proposed policy is available electronically at http://www.noaa.gov/fairweather. Requests for hard copies should be sent to Fair Weather, Room 11404, 1325 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910–3283.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Weiss 301–713–0258, peter.weiss@noaa.gov.
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
[OMB Control Number 0704–0267]

Information Collection Requirement; Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Contract Facilities Capital Cost of Money

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments regarding a proposed extension of an approved information collection requirement.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), DoD announces the proposed extension of a public information collection requirement and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. DoD invites comments on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of DoD, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved this information collection for use through April 30, 2004. DoD proposes that OMB extend its approval for use through April 30, 2007.

DATES: DoD will consider all comments received by March 12, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Respondents may submit comments via the Internet at http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf/pubcomm. As an alternative, respondents may e-mail comments to: dfars@osd.mil. Please cite OMB Control Number 0704–0267 in the subject line of e-mailed comments.

Respondents that cannot submit comments using either of the above methods may submit comments to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Mr. Ted Godlewski, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Please cite OMB Control Number 0704–0267.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 230, Cost Accounting Standards Administration; DD Form 1861, Contract Facilities Capital Cost of Money; OMB Control Number 0704–0267.

Needs and Uses: A DD Form 1861 is normally completed for each proposal for a contract for supplies or services that is priced and negotiated on the basis of cost analysis, and for each indirect cost rate negotiation. Contracting officers use DD Form 1861 in computing profit objectives for negotiated contracts. The form enables contracting officers to differentiate profit objectives for various types of contractor assets—land, buildings, and equipment.

Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit entities.

Reporting Frequency: On occasion.

Number of Respondents: 15,000.

Responses Per Respondent: Approximately 3.

Annual Responses: 45,138.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 hours.

Annual Burden Hours: 451,380.

Summary of Information Collection

This information collection includes requirements relating to DFARS Part 230, Cost Accounting Standards Administration, DFARS Subpart 230.70, Facilities Capital Employed for Facilities in Use, prescribes use of DD Form 1861 as a means of linking Form CASB–CMF, Facilities Capital Cost of Money Factors Computation, and DD Form 1547, Record of Weighted Guidelines Application. The contracting officer uses DD Form 1861 to record and compute contract facilities capital cost of money and facilities capital employed, and carries the facilities capital employed amount to DD Form 1547 to develop a profit objective. When the weighted guidelines method is used as one of the three structured approaches for developing a prenegotiation profit or fee objective (in accordance with DFARS 215.404–4), completion of DD Form 1861 requires contractor information not included on Form CASB–CMF, i.e., distribution percentages of land, buildings, and equipment for the business unit performing the contract. DFARS 230.7004–2 directs the contracting officer to choose the most practical method of obtaining this information, e.g., from the contract administration office or corporate administrative contracting officer, or through a solicitation provision.

Michele P. Peterson, Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Board of Visitors Meeting

AGENCY: Defense Acquisition University.

ACTION: Board of Visitors meeting.

SUMMARY: The next meeting of the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Board of Visitors (BoV) will be held at Defense Acquisition University, West Region, 33000 Nixie Way, San Diego, CA 92110. The purpose of this meeting is to report back to the BoV on continuing items of interest.

DATES: January 28, 2004 from 0900–1500.

ADDRESSES: Defense Acquisition University, West Region, 33000 Nixie Way, San Diego, CA 92110.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Patricia Cizmadia at 703–805–5134.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public; however, because of space limitations, allocation of seating will be made on a first-come, first served basis. Persons desiring to attend the meeting should call Ms. Patricia Cizmadia at 703–805–5134.


Patricia L. Toppings, Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

AGENCY: Department of Defense.