

Statement of questions	Burden
Bureau of Reclamation	
(a) Total average annual applications for collection	1,000 applications.
(b) Average annual applications per industry:	
(1) Utility Industry	850 applications.
(2) Service Providing Industry	50 applications.
(3) State and Local Government	100 applications.
(b) Frequency of application (for each industry)	1 application.
(c) Response time per applicant:	
(1) Utility Industry	25 hours.
(2) Service Providing Industry	25 hours.
(3) State and Local Government	25 hours.
(d) Annual response time for collection	25,000 hours.
(e) Annual response time per industry:	
(1) Utility Industry (850 × 25)	21,250 hours.
(2) Service Providing Industry (50 × 25)	1,250 hours.
(3) State and Local Government (100 × 25)	2,500 hours.
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	
(a) Total average annual applications for collection	32 applications.
(b) Average annual applications per industry:	
(1) Utility Industry	32 applications.
(b) Frequency of application (for each industry)	1 application.
(c) Response time per applicant:	
(1) Utility Industry	25 hours.
(d) Annual response time for collection	800 hours.
(e) Annual response time per industry:	
(1) Utility Industry (32 × 25)	800 hours.

Annual Responses: 5,786.
 Annual Burden Hours: 144,351.
 Total Annual Application and Cost
 Recovery Fees: \$8,611,902.
 Bureau Clearance Officer: Ted R.
 Hudson, 202-452-5042.
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Ted R. Hudson,
 Acting Chief, Regulatory Affairs.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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**Notice of Intent To Prepare an
 Environmental Impact Statement for
 the New Comstock Wind Energy
 Project, Nevada**

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management,
 Interior.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land
 Management (BLM) Carson City District

Office intends to prepare an
 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
 for the Great Basin Wind New Comstock
 Wind Energy Project proposal in Carson
 City, Lyon, Storey, and Washoe
 counties. This notice announces the
 beginning of the scoping process and
 solicits input on the identification of
 issues.

DATES: The BLM will accept comments
 until December 26, 2008. A public
 scoping meeting will be held regarding
 the EIS on Wednesday, December 10,
 2008, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the BLM's
 Carson City District Office, 5665 Morgan
 Mill Road, Carson City, Nevada.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments
 to:

- BLM Carson City District Office,
 Attn: New Comstock Wind Energy
 Project EIS Project Manager, 5665
 Morgan Mill Road, Carson City, NV
 89701.

- Fax: (775) 885-6147.

- E-mail:

newcomstockwind@blm.gov.

Documents pertinent to this proposal
 may be examined at the Carson City
 District Office.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For
 further information and to have your
 name added to the Comstock EIS
 mailing list, call Mark Struble (775)
 885-6107; or e-mail
newcomstockwind@blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The EIS
 for the New Comstock Wind Energy
 Project (Project) will analyze the direct,
 indirect, and cumulative impacts
 resulting from construction and
 operation of a commercial wind turbine
 facility proposed in a right-of-way
 application submitted by Great Basin
 Wind, LLC. The proposed project
 includes the construction of
 approximately 69 wind turbines with
 the potential of producing 192
 megawatts of electricity. The turbine
 towers would be 210 feet to 330 feet tall
 supporting a nacelle and three blades
 115 feet to 170 feet in length. Turbine
 units would be connected to a proposed
 electric substation by approximately 20
 miles of underground electrical
 distribution system. A proposed 120 kV
 overhead transmission line
 approximately 5 miles in length would
 connect the new substation to an

existing substation operated by NV Energy located near U.S. Highway 50 east of Carson City. A series of 15 feet to 40 feet wide access roads will be improved or constructed to facilitate site development. Other facilities will include several small outbuildings for storage of materials and temporary work areas and storage yards.

The purpose of the public scoping process is to determine relevant issues that will influence the scope of the environmental analysis, including alternatives, and guide the EIS process. The EIS will address issues brought forth through scoping and will be evaluated by an interdisciplinary team of BLM and other agency specialists. A range of alternatives and mitigating measures will be considered to evaluate and minimize environmental impacts and to assure that the proposed actions do not result in undue or unnecessary degradation of public lands. Federal, State, and local agencies and other individuals and organizations that may be interested in or affected by the BLM decision on the New Comstock Wind Energy Project are urged to participate in the EIS process. It is important that those interested in the proposed activities participate in the scoping and commenting processes of the EIS.

Written comments may be provided to BLM at the public scoping meetings or may be submitted to the BLM using one of the methods listed in the Addresses section. Before including your address, phone 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 publically 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.

Authority: 43 CFR 2804.

Dated: November 14, 2008.

Linda J. Kelly,

Field Manager, Sierra Front Field Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Draft General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement, Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park, VA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102 (2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 (Pub. L. 91-190, as amended), the National Park Service (NPS) announces the availability of the Draft General Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement (GMP/EIS) for Cedar Creek and Belle Grove National Historical Park, Virginia.

Consistent with National Park Service laws, regulations, policies, and the purposes of the National Historical Park, the Draft GMP/EIS describes and analyzes four alternatives (A-D) to guide the management of the park over the next 20 years. The alternatives incorporate various management prescriptions to address the following issues: protecting park resources and values, interpretation, visitor facilities and services, access and circulation, related resources, partnership collaboration, and technical assistance.

Alternative A is continuation of current management practices. Visitors would experience the park at sites owned and independently managed by the Key Partners. The NPS would provide technical assistance and bring national recognition and visibility to the park by virtue of being part of the national park system.

Under *Alternative B*, visitors would experience the park at sites owned by the Key Partners and through electronic media and NPS ranger led tours and programs. Visitors would access the park via auto-touring routes and a few non-motorized trails located on Key Partner properties. The primary NPS role would be to provide interpretive programs and technical assistance. The Key Partners would have the responsibility for land and resource protection. There would be increased collaboration among the NPS and the Key Partners, with the NPS serving as a coordinator for resource and planning issues.

Under *Alternative C*, visitors would experience the park at a NPS-developed and managed visitor center and at visitor focal areas owned and managed by the NPS and the Key Partners. The NPS and the Key Partners would coordinate interpretive programs at these sites. Visitors would access the park via auto-touring routes and a system of non-motorized trails that provides opportunities for interpretation. The NPS and the Key Partners would develop a coordinated land protection plan focused on protection of key historic sites that would become focal areas. The NPS and the Key Partners would develop formal

agreements to undertake special projects and general park management.

Alternative D is the preferred alternative. Under this alternative, visitors would experience the park at a NPS-developed and managed visitor center and at visitor focal areas owned and managed by the NPS and the Key Partners. The NPS and the Key Partners would coordinate interpretive programs at these sites. Visitors would access the park via auto-touring routes and an extensive system of non-motorized trails that provides opportunities for interpretation and recreation, that connect focal areas, and that tie to communities and resources outside the park. The NPS and the Key Partners would develop a coordinated land protection plan focused on protection of cultural landscapes, sensitive natural resource areas, and lands providing connections between NPS and Key Partner properties. The NPS and the Key Partners would develop formal agreements that define responsibilities for special projects, programs, events, and specific park operations.

The Draft GMP/EIS evaluates the potential environmental consequences of implementing the alternatives. Impact topics include the cultural, natural, and socioeconomic environments. This notice also announces that public meetings will be held to solicit comments on the Draft GMP/EIS during the public review period. Dates, times, and locations will be announced on the agency's planning Web site <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/cebe>, in local papers, and can be obtained by calling the park office at (540) 868-9176.

Public Review: There are several ways to view the document:

- An electronic version of the document will be available for download, review, and comment on the agency's planning Web site <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/cebe>.
- CDs and a limited number of printed copies can be requested by contacting the park at (540) 868-9176 or by e-mailing park planner Christopher Stubbs at chris_stubbs@nps.gov.
- The document will be available for review at the park office at 7718½ Main St., Middletown, VA 22645.

The National Park Service will accept comments on the Draft GMP/EIS from the public for a period of 90 days following publication of the Environmental Protection Agency's Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. Interested persons may check the planning Web site at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/cebe> for dates, times, and places of public meetings to be conducted by the NPS, or by calling (540) 868-9176.