

[EXTERNAL] OMB Control Number 1018-Falconry

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As the Service did away with the Federal Falconry Permit in 2014, requiring the States to administer/maintain databases of Falconers; one wonders just how important the practice of Falconry should be to the Service. The new database does NOT enhance the user experience due to the complexity and forced necessity of Internet access. The Service should only track raptors taken from the wild; and recognize that the captive-bred raptors are No Longer migratory birds due to their origin. Neither are hybrids of exotic crosses with NA Migratory birds, still, NA Migratory birds. Your classification of them as such is in error, and creates unnecessary paperwork, NOT a reduction of paperwork. The Services over-regulation of Falconry is discriminatory towards a tiny minority of sportsmen and sportswomen. The Federal Govt. should expend their resources and efforts in data collection toward the identification and regulation/registration of the owners of military assault weapons, for instance!

(by the way, I clicked the green box on the Fed. Register page which said Make An Official Comment..it didn't work; so this is my comment, sent by regular E-Mail)