

Housing and Community Development Act, as amended, that requires states and localities to submit a Community Development Plan (Section 104(b)(4) and Section 104(b)(m) and statutory provisions of these Acts that require states and localities to submit applications for these formula grant programs.

Members of the Affected Public: State and local governments participating in the Community development Block Grant Program (CDBG), the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program, the Emergency Shelter Grants (ESG) program, or the Housing

Opportunities for Persons with AIDS/HIV (HOPWA) program.

Since the original approval of the Consolidated Planning paperwork reduction estimate in 1995 (OMB Control Number 2506-0117), additional localities have qualified for assistance under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, thus increasing the overall burden calculation. Additionally, this submission includes paperwork estimates associated with narrative information required by the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report. Reporting on annual

performance was not included in the original Consolidated Plan paperwork estimate that was submitted to OMB. There have been several minor regulatory changes made to existing CDGBG regulations and those for the HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program which have resulted in a slight increase in overall burden hour calculations. Each of these regulatory changes have been submitted for comment in the National Register and to OMB independently.

The revised paperwork estimates are as follows:

Task	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Total U.S. burden hours
Consolidated Plan:			
Localities	1,000	1	316,025
States	50	1	47,950
Performance Report:			
Localities	1,000	1	100,000
States	50	1	12,000
Total			475,975

Status of the proposed information collection: Reinstatement, with minor changes or a previously approved collection for which approval is near expiration and the request for OMB approval's for three years. The current OMB approval expires March 31, 1998.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: December 23, 1997.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4263-N-65]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments due: March 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judson James at 202-708-1336, x130 (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed data collection instruments and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

The Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate 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) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Evaluation of the Fair Housing Election Process.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The information collected is part of an evaluation that will help the Department assess the decision made by complainants to elect to pursue their Title VIII complainant either through the administrative process provided by HUD or by going to federal courts. Interviews with complainants and respondents will be used to determine the reasons for the choice made and its consequences for the resolution of the complaint. Evaluation results will be used by the Office of the Administrative Judge and other HUD officials interested in improving the effectiveness of the administrative processing the Title VIII complaints.

Telephone interviews will be conducted with a sample of 500 complainants and 500 respondents in the 1,250 most recent Title VIII cases subject to the election process.

Members of affected public: Individuals who are principal participants in recent Title VIII cases will be interviewed as part of this data collection effort.

Estimation of the total numbers of respondents, frequency of response, and hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of hours of response:

Interview respondents	Number of respondents	Responses per respondent	Minutes per respondent	Total burden hours
Complainants	500	1	30	250
Respondents	500	1	24	200
Total	1,000	450

Status of the proposed information collection: Awaiting OMB approval.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: December 18, 1997.

Paul A. Leonard,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4170-N-16]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB

AGENCY: Office of Public and Indian Housing—HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below had been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department has already solicited public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: The due date for comments is January 7, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons were invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within seven (7) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-0050. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Weaver.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, an information collection package with respect to proposed Indian Housing Plan (IHP) form for the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA).

On October 26, 1996, the President signed into law the NAHASDA, which streamlines the process of providing housing assistance to Native Americans. Specifically, it eliminates several separate programs of assistance and replaces them with a single block grant program, effective October 1, 1997.

The collection of information being requested is necessary so that the Secretary shall allocate any amounts made available for assistance under this Act for the future fiscal years, in accordance with the formula established pursuant to section 302, among Indian tribes that comply with the requirements under this Act for a grant under this Act.

These forms meet the minimum requirements for an IHP required by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development. To be eligible for grants, respondents must submit the IHP which meets the minimum requirements of the NAHASDA. IHPs originally had a submission deadline of November 3, 1997. On October 1, 1997, the NAHASDA legislation became effective. The Department concluded that new IHP submission dates were needed to enable tribes/tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) additional time to formulate their plan to comply with NAHASDA requirements. Language in the transition notice advises all tribes/TDHEs that an IHP can be submitted no earlier than the publication of the final regulations implementing NAHASDA and no later than July 1, 1998.

Additionally, seven comments were received on the paperwork requirements for the NAHASDA IHP and were submitted to the NAHASDA Negotiated Rulemaking Committee. The Committee

reviewed these comments and the Department streamlined the IHP forms per these suggestions and eliminated requirements that were determined to be unnecessary for submission of a tribe's plan.

The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The Department has requested emergency clearance of the collection of information, as described below, with approval being sought by January 12, 1998.

(1) Title of the information collection proposal: Indian Housing Plan (IHP) form.

(2) Summary of the collection of information.

5-Year Plan

For an Indian tribe to receive funding they must submit to the Secretary, for each fiscal year, a housing plan which shall be in a form prescribed by the Secretary and shall contain, with respect to the 5-year period beginning without the fiscal year for which the plan is submitted, the following information:

(A) Mission Statement—A general statement for the mission of the Indian tribe to serve the needs of the low-income families in the jurisdiction of the Indian tribe during the period.

(A) Goals and Objectives—A statement of the goals and objectives of the Indian tribe to enable the tribe to serve the needs identified in paragraph (1) during the period.

(B) Activities Plan—An overview of the activities planned during the period including an analysis of the manner in which the activities will enable tribe to meet its mission, goals, and objectives.

1-Year Plan

For an Indian tribe to receive funding they must submit to the Secretary, for each fiscal year, a housing plan which shall be in a form prescribed by the Secretary and shall contain, the following information relating to the upcoming fiscal year for which