

confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the contract proposals, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Name of Committee: National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Special Emphasis Panel. ZDK1 GRB-D (C4).

Date: November 29, 1999.

Time: 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM.

Agenda: To review and evaluate contract proposals.

Place: National Institutes of Health, Natcher Bldg., 45 Center Drive, Room 6AS-37, Bethesda, MD 20892, (Telephone Conference Call).

Contact Person: Ann A. Hagan, Chief, Review Branch National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive and Kidney Diseases National Institutes of Health, PHS, DHHS Rm. 6AS37, Bldg., 45 Bethesda, MD 20892 (301) 594-8886.

This notice is being published less than 15 days prior to the meeting due to the timing limitations imposed by the review and funding cycle.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 93.847, Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Research; 93.848, Digestive Diseases and Nutrition Research; 93.849, Kidney Diseases, Urology and Hematology Research, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: November 24, 1999.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

Director, Office of Federal Advisory Committee Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4444-N-10]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Evaluation of Low-Level Lead Hazard Intervention in the CLEARCorps Program

AGENCY: Office of Lead Hazard Control, 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 Date:* February 1, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB

Control Number and should be sent to: Gail N. Ward, Reports Liaison Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room P3206, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Eugene Pinzer, (202) 755-1785 ext. 120 (this is not a toll-free number) for available documents regarding this proposal.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting 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).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected 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 Department'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 the Proposal: Evaluation of Low-Level Lead Hazard Intervention in the CLEARCorps Program.

OMB Control Number: To be assigned.

Need For the Information and

Proposed Use: Various means of treating residential lead-based paint hazards have been developed to reduce or eliminate the potential that occupants could be overexposed to lead.

CLEARCorps, a division of AmeriCorps, has been funded by Congress, through HUD, to perform "low-level lead hazard interventions." Plans include

CLEARCorps operation in four cities: Baltimore, Detroit, Pittsburgh, and Portland, OR. Low level interventions are designed to reduce dust levels and prevent ingestion of lead-containing dust by infants and young children. Low-level interventions do not typically include lead-based paint removal. The CLEARCorps program for low-level interventions will be evaluated by the National Center for Lead Safe Housing and by Quantech, both funded by HUD.

The HUD Guidelines or the Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint Hazards in Housing

("Guidelines") recommend that, "unless precluded by regulation, inert controls are most easily implemented when most surfaces with lead-based paint are intact and structurally sound and lead exposure comes primarily from deteriorating paint and excessive levels of lead in household dust and/or soil. Interim controls are also appropriate if the Housing unit is slated for demolition or renovation within a few years. In many cases resources will not be available to finance permanent abatement, making interim controls the only feasible approach." There is considerable interest regarding the use of this potentially cost-effective treatment.

This information collection will involve telephone interviews and visits to CLEARCorps sites in the selected cities, as well as telephone interviews and visits to homes where the low-level interventions will be performed. If appropriate, the results of this information collection will be used to improve existing HUD guidance on the use of low-level lead-based paint interventions; findings may also be used to determine the need for and to design a study of the short and long term effectiveness of low-level lead-based paint interventions in controlling lead-based paint hazards.

Agency Form Numbers: None.

Members of Affected Public: Owners and occupants of units where low-level interventions will be performed.

Total Burden Estimate (First Year)

Number of respondents: 180

Frequency of response: 19

Total Hours of response: 652

Status of the proposed information collection: New collection.

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

Dated: November 23, 1999.

David E. Jacobs,

Director, Office of Lead Hazard Control.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4432-N-48]

Federal Property Suitable as Facilities to Assist the Homeless

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice identifies unutilized, underutilized, excess, and

surplus Federal property reviewed by HUD for suitability for possible use to assist the homeless.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 3, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Clifford Taffet, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7262, 451 Seventh Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-1234; TTY number for the hearing- and speech-impaired (202) 708-2565, (these telephone number are not toll-free), or call the toll-free Title V information line at 1-800-927-7588.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the December 12, 1988 court order in *National Coalition for the Homeless v. Veterans Administration*, No. 88-2503-OG (D.D.C.), HUD publishes a Notice, on a weekly basis, identifying unutilized, underutilized, excess and surplus Federal buildings and real property that HUD has reviewed for suitability for use to assist the homeless. Today's Notice is for the purpose of announcing that no additional properties have been determined suitable or unsuitable this week.

Dated: November 24, 1999.

Fred Karnas, Jr.,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Assistance Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Coral Reef Task Force; Notice of Availability of Documents for Public Review and Comment

AGENCY: United States Coral Reef Task Force.

ACTION: Availability of documents.

SUMMARY: This notice carries out the November 3, 1999, decision of the United States Coral Reef Task Force to provide the public an opportunity to review and comment on three documents: (1) "Draft National Action Plan to Conserve Coral Reefs," (2) "Coral Reef Protected Areas: A Guide for Management," and (3) "Oversight of Agency Actions Affecting Coral Reef Protection."

DATES: (1) Comments on the "Draft National Action Plan to Conserve Coral Reefs" are due on or before January 14, 2000. (2) Comments on "Coral Reef Protected Areas: A Guide for Management" are due on or before January 3, 2000. (3) Comments on

"Oversight of Agency Actions Affecting Coral Reef Protection" are due on or before January 3, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Document Availability: Documents are on the Internet at <http://coralreef.gov>. Alternatively, call or write to Ms. Patricia Kennedy (telephone number 202-208-5378), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W., Mail Stop 3156, Washington, D.C. 20240, to request a copy of any or all of the documents.

Comments: Submit electronic comments on any or all of these documents to Patricia_Kennedy@ios.doi.gov. Alternatively, submit written comments to the United States Coral Reef Task Force, c/o Ms. Patricia Kennedy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W., Mail Stop 3156, Washington, D.C. 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Patricia Kennedy, 202-208-5378, concerning how to submit your comments. Contact Ms. Molly N. Ross, 202-208-5378, or Mr. Roger B. Griffis, 202-482-5034, concerning all other matters.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The world's coral reefs are in serious jeopardy, threatened by a growing barrage of over-exploitation, pollution, habitat destruction, diseases, invasive species, bleaching and climate change. The rapid decline of these ancient and productive marine ecosystems has significant social, economic and environmental impacts on coastal cultures and on the nation as a whole.

In response to this global environmental crisis, President Clinton issued Executive Order 13089, 63 FR 32702 (June 16, 1998). The executive order established the United States Coral Reef Task Force (CRTF), to be chaired by the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Commerce, through the Administrator of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. The executive order assigned the CRTF specific duties for coral reef protection, including coordination of a comprehensive program to map and monitor U.S. coral reefs; development and implementation of research aimed at identifying the major causes and consequences of degradation of coral reef ecosystems; development, recommendation, and implementation of measures necessary to reduce and mitigate coral reef ecosystem degradation and to restore damaged coral reefs; and assessment of

the U.S. role in international trade and protection of coral reef species and implementation of appropriate strategies and actions to promote conservation and sustainable use of coral reef resources worldwide.

At its third meeting on November 2-3, 1999, in St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, the CRTF endorsed or adopted three documents in furtherance of its duties under Executive Order 13089. The CRTF decided to provide an opportunity for public comment on each of these documents, as follows:

(1) The CRTF endorsed the "Draft National Action Plan to Conserve Coral Reefs" for the purpose of securing public comment on the draft plan and then revising it as necessary before adoption at a future meeting. This draft plan is a detailed, long-term strategy for implementing Executive Order 13089. It was prepared through careful deliberations of a large and diverse group of experts in coral reef science, management, policy and education, drawn from federal, state and territorial governments, academia and the private sector. The CRTF welcomes public review, discussion, and comment on the draft plan.

(2) The CRTF adopted the document entitled "Coral Reef Protected Areas: A Guide for Management," subject to technical amendments. The purpose of this document is to assist those involved in planning and managing programs for coral reef protected areas. It is intended for use in developing management plans for new protected areas and for reviewing plans at established areas. The CRTF invites comment on this document.

(3) The CRTF adopted the document entitled "Oversight of Agency Actions Affecting Coral Reef Protection," subject to revision in light of public comment. This document establishes the procedures necessary to carry out the CRTF's duty under the Executive Order "to oversee implementation of the policy and Federal agency responsibilities set forth in this order. . . ." The oversight procedures require CRTF members to develop by June 11, 2000, plans for implementing the executive order, and to provide annual reports summarizing the agency's implementation each June. The oversight procedures also describe how a person who believes that an agency has taken action inconsistent with the Executive Order may register his or her concern and receive a response from the agency.