DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Eye Institute; Meeting

Notice of the Meeting of the National Advisory Eye Council Pursuant to Pub. L. 92–463, notice is hereby given of the meeting of the National Advisory Eye Council (NAEC) on January 29, 1998, Executive Plaza North, Conference Room G, 6130 Executive Boulevard, Bethesda, Maryland.

The NAEC meeting will be open to the public on January 29 from 8:30 a.m. until approximately 11:30 a.m. Following opening remarks by the Director, NEI, there will be presentations by the staff of the Institute and discussions concerning Institute programs and policies. Attendance by the public at the open session will be limited to space available.

In accordance with provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5, U.S.C. and sec. 10(d) of Public Law 92-463, the meeting of the NAEC will be closed to the public on January 29 from approximately 11:30 a.m. until adjournment at approximately 5:00 p.m. for the review, discussion, and evaluation of individual grant applications. These applications and the discussions could reveal confidential trade secretes or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Ms. Lois DeNinno, Council Assistant, National Eye Institute, EPS, Suite 350, 6120 Executive Boulevard, MSC–7164, Bethesda, Maryland 20892–7164, (301) 496–9110, will provide a summary of the meeting, roster of committee members, and substantive program information upon request. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Ms. DeNinno in advance of the meeting.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistant Program No. 93.867, Vision Research: National Institutes of Health)

Dated: December 23, 1997.

LaVeen Ponds,

Acting Committee Management Officer, NIH. [FR Doc. 97–34022 Filed 12–30–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 4140–01–M

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Institutes of Health

National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; Notice of Closed Meeting

Pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2), notice is hereby given of the following meeting:

Purpose/Agenda: To review and evaluate grant applications.

Name of Committee: National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Special Emphasis Panel.

Date of Meeting: January 9, 1998 (Telephone Conference).

Time: 11:00 a.m. to adjournment. Place of Meeting: Wilco Building, 6000 Executive Boulevard, Suite 409, Rockville MD 20892–7003.

Contact Person: Sean O'Rourke, 6000 Executive Boulevard, Suite 409, Rockville MD 20892–7003, 301–443–2861.

The meeting will be closed in accordance with the provisions set forth in secs. 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C. The proposal and discussions could reveal confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposal, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

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

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance, Program Nos. 93.271, Alcohol Research Career Development Awards for Scientists and Clinicians; 93.272, Alcohol National Research Service Awards for Research Training; 93.273, Alcohol Research Programs; and 93.891, Alcohol Research Center Grants; National Institutes of Health).

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LaVeen Ponds,

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4263-N-64]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment Consolidated Planning

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

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection for public comments.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirements for Consolidated Planning for Community Planning and Development (CPD) programs 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:

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: Reports Liaison Officer, Sheila E. Jones, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 7230, Washington, D.C. 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sal Sclafani, Acting Director, Policy Division 202–708–0614, ex. 4364.

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). As required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), HUD and OMB are seeking 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 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 submission of responses.

Title of Proposal: Consolidated Plan. Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Uses: The Information is needed to provide HUD with preliminary assessment as to the statutory and regulatory eligibility of proposed grantee projects. A secondary need is informing citizens of intended uses for program funds.

Agency Form Numbers (if applicable): The Department's collection of this information is in compliance with statutory provisions of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990 that requires the participating jurisdictions submit a Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (Section 216(5)), the 1974

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 respond-ents	Frequency of re- sponse	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.

Fred Karnas, Jr.,

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.