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*Name of Committee:* National Advisory Council on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.

*Date:* September 16–17, 1998.

*Closed:* September 16, 1998, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

*Place:* Bethesda Marriott Hotel, 5151 Pooks Hill Road, Bethesda, MD 20814.

*Closed:* September 17, 1998, 8:30 AM to 9:00 AM.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications and/or proposals.

*Place:* Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Open:* September 17, 1998, 9:00 AM to Adjournment.

*Agenda:* The meeting will be open to the public to discuss Institute programs and other issues relating to committee activities.

*Place:* Natcher Building, 45 Center Drive, Conference Rooms E1/E2, Bethesda, MD 20892.

*Contact Person:* James F. Vaughan, Executive Secretary, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, National Institutes of Health, PHS, DHHS, Bethesda, MD 20892.

(Catalogue 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; 93.891, Alcohol Research Center Grants, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

Dated: August 14, 1998.

**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### National Institutes of Health

#### National Institute on Deafness and Other Communications Disorders; 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.

The meeting will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions set forth in sections 552b(c)(4) and 552b(c)(6), Title 5 U.S.C., as amended. The grant applications and the discussions could disclose confidential trade secrets or commercial property such as patentable material, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the grant

applications, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

*Name of Committee:* National Institute on Deafness and Other Communications Disorders Special Emphasis Panel, ZDC1 SRB–S (01).

*Date:* September 10, 1998.

*Time:* 1:00 PM to 3:30 PM.

*Agenda:* To review and evaluate grant applications.

*Place:* 6120 Executive Blvd, Suite 400C, Bethesda, MD 20852 (Telephone Conference Call).

*Contact Person:* Melissa Stick, PhD, MPH, Scientific Review Administrator, Scientific Review Branch, Division of Extramural Activities, NIDCD/NIH, 6120 Executive Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20892, 301–496–8683. (Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Nos. 98.173, Biological Research Related to Deafness and Communications Disorders, National Institutes of Health, HHS)

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**LaVerne Y. Stringfield,**

*Committee Management Officer, NIH.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–4349–N–31]

### Submission for OMB Review: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been 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: September 21, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410,

telephone (202) 708–1305. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

The Notice lists the following information: (1) The title of the information collection proposal; (2) the office of the agency to collect the information; (3) the OMB approval number, if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the names and telephone numbers of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

**Authority:** Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: August 12, 1998.

**David S. Cristy,**

*Director, IRM Policy and Management Division.*

*Title of Proposal:* Service Coordinator Database Information.

*Office:* Housing.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2502–xxxx.

*Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use:* The form will be used to collect information about HUD subsidized housing projects with Service Coordinators and will be placed in a national database for use primarily by the public for their informational purposes.

*Form Number:* 92297.

*Respondents:* Not-For-Profit Institutions, Business or Other For-Profit, Federal, State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Reporting Burden:*

	Number of re- spondents	x	Frequency of response	x	Hours per re- sponse	=	Burden hours
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*Total Estimated Burden Hours: 250.*  
*Status: New Collection.*

*Contact:* Carissa Janis, HUD (202) 708-3291; Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., OMB, (202) 395-7316.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Information Collection To Be Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Information collection; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The collection of information described below has been submitted to OMB for approval under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. Copies of specific information collection requirements, related forms, and explanatory material may be obtained by contacting the Fish and Wildlife Service's (Service) Information Collection Clearance Officer at the address or phone number listed below.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received on or before September 21, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments and suggestions on specific requirements should be sent to the: Desk Officer for the Interior Department, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. Please also send a copy of your comments to: Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS 222 ARLSQ, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington D.C. 20240, Telephone 703/358-2287.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeffrey L. Horwath, Division of Fish and Wildlife Management Assistance, Arlington, Virginia, 703/358-1718; or Wells Stephensen, Office of Marine Mammals Management, Anchorage, Alaska, 907/786-3815.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Service has submitted the following information collection clearance requirements to the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. The Service may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. A 60-day notice inviting public comment on this information collection requirement previously was published in the **Federal Register** on April 1, 1998 (63 FR 15855). No comments on the previous notice were received. Pursuant to this request for approval, comments are invited on: (1) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the function of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. The OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection but may respond after 30 days; therefore, public comments should be submitted to the OMB within 30 days in order to assure their maximum consideration.

As authorized by Section 109(i) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1361-1407), the Service in October 1988 implemented formal Marking, Tagging, and Reporting Regulations in 50 CFR 18.23 for Alaskan Natives harvesting polar bear, sea otter, and Pacific walrus. Under Section 101(b) of the Act, Alaskan Natives residing in Alaska and dwelling on the coast of the North Pacific or Arctic Oceans may harvest these species for subsistence or handicraft purposes. Section 109(i) of the Act authorizes the Service, acting on behalf of the Secretary of the Interior, to prescribe marking, tagging, and reporting regulations applicable to this Native subsistence and handicraft take.

On June 28, 1988, the Service published, under authority of Section 109(i) of the Act, a final rule in the

**Federal Register** that added paragraph (f) to regulations at 50 CFR 18.23 that enabled the Service to gather data on the Native subsistence and handicraft harvest, and biology of polar bear, sea otter, and Pacific walrus in order to determine what effect such take is having on these populations. It also provided the Service with a means of monitoring the disposition of the harvest to ensure that any commercial use of products created from these species meets the criteria set forth in Section 101(b) of the Act.

The information proposed to be collected by the Service from Alaskan Natives will be used to improve the Service's decision-making ability by substantially expanding the quality and quantity of harvest and biological data upon which future management decisions can be based. It will provide the Service with the ability to make inferences about the condition and general health of these populations, and to consider the importance and impacts to these population from such processes as development activities and habitat degradation. Without authority to collect this harvest information, the Service's ability to measure the take of polar bear, sea otter and walrus is inadequate. Mandatory marking, tagging, and reporting is considered essential to improve the quality and quantity of harvest and biological data upon which future management decisions will be based. It allows the Service to make rational, knowledgeable decisions regarding the Native harvest, habitat degradation, and the effects of oil and gas exploration, development and production planned or underway for areas within the range of these species.

The Service estimates that the annual burden associated with this request will be 482 hours for each year of the 3-year period of OMB authorization. This estimated burden was calculated based on previous experience suggesting that Alaskan Natives annually will take about 1,930 polar bears, sea otter, and Pacific walrus for subsistence and handicraft purposes, and that 15 minutes will be needed to provide the required information for each animal taken.