

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Application for Endangered Species Permit

The following applicants have applied for a permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*):

Applicant: Drs. Victor Apanius and Phillip K. Stoddard, Florida International University, Miami PRT-831198.

The applicants request authorization to take (capture, band, sample blood, and release) peregrine falcons, *Falco peregrinus*, in the Florida Keys, Monroe County, Florida, for the purpose of enhancement of survival of the species.

Written data or comments on this application should be submitted to: Regional Permit Biologist, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30345. All data and comments must be received by August 1, 1997.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, Georgia 30345 (Attn: David Dell, Permit Biologist). Telephone: 404/679-7313; Fax: 404/679-7081.

Dated: June 24, 1997.
Noreen K. Clough,
Regional Director.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has submitted the proposed renewal of the information collection for Payment for Appointed Counsel in Involuntary Indian Child Custody Proceedings in State Courts, codified at 25 CFR Part 23.13, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On February 19, 1997, BIA published a notice in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 7470) requesting public comments on the proposed information collection. The comment period ended on April 21, 1997. BIA received no comments from the public in response to the notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the proposed information collection and explanatory materials may be obtained by contacting Larry Blair, Bureau of Indian Affairs (Bureau), Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4603 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 208-2721.

DATES: OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days of publication of this notice on or before September 2, 1997 but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration, your comments should be submitted by August 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Your comments and suggestions on the requirements should be made directly to the Office of Management and Budget, Interior Department Desk Officer (1076-0111), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20503, (202) 395-7340. Please provide a copy of your comments to Larry Blair, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Tribal Services, 1849 C St., NW, MS-4603 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 208-2721.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

A state court that appoints counsel for an indigent Indian parent or Indian custodian in an involuntary Indian child custody proceeding in a state court for which appointment of counsel is not authorized by state law shall send written notice to the Bureau. The cognizant Bureau Area Director, using this information, can certify if the client in the notice is eligible to have his counsel compensated by the Bureau in accordance with the Indian Child Welfare Act, Public Law 95-608.

II. Method of Collection

The following information is collected in a notice from state courts in order to certify payment of appointed counsel in involuntary Indian child custody proceedings. The information collected and the reasons for the collection are listed below:

Information collected	Reason for collection
(a) Name, address and telephone number of attorney appointed; (b) Name and address of client for whom counsel is appointed;	(a) To identify attorney appointed as counsel/and method of contact; (b) To identify indigent party in an Indian child custody proceeding for whom counsel is appointed;
(c) Applicant's relationship to child;	(c) To determine if the person is eligible for payment of attorney fees as specified in Public Law 95-608;
(d) Name of Indian child's tribe	(d) To determine if the child is a member of a federally recognized tribe and is covered by the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA);
(e) Copy of petition or complaint	(e) To determine if this custody proceeding is covered by the ICWA;
(f) Certification by the court that state law does not provide for appointment of counsel in such proceedings;.	(f) To determine if other state laws provide for such appointment of counsel and to prevent duplication of effort;
(g) Certification by the court that the Indian client is indigent;	(g) To determine if the client has resources to pay for counsel;
(h) The amount of payments due counsel utilizing the same procedures used to determine expenses in juvenile delinquency proceedings;.	(h) To determine if the amount of payment due appointed counsel is based on state court standards in juvenile delinquency proceedings;
(i) Approved vouchers with court certification that the amount requested is reasonable considering the work and the criteria used for determining fees and expenses for juvenile delinquency proceedings.	(i) To determine the amount of payment considered reasonable in accordance with state standards for a particular case.

Proposed use of the information: The information collected will be used by the respective Bureau Area Director to

determine: (a) If an individual Indian involved in an Indian child custody proceeding is eligible for payment of

appointed counsel's attorney fees, (b) If any state statutes provide for coverage of attorney fees under these circumstances,

(c) The state standards for payment of attorney fees in juvenile delinquency proceedings, (d) The name of the attorney, and his actual voucher certified by the court for the work completed on a preapproved case. This information is required for payment of appointed counsel as authorized by Public Law 95-608.

III. Request for Comments

We specifically request your comments on the following:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the BIA, including whether the information will have practical utility;
2. The accuracy of the Bureau's estimate of the burden of the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. How to minimize the burden of the information collection on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical or other forms of information technology.

IV. Data

Title of the Collection of Information: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Payment for Appointed Counsel in Involuntary Indian Child Custody Proceedings in State Courts.

OMB Number: 1076-0111.

Affected Entities: State Courts and individual Indians eligible for payment of attorney fees pursuant to 25 CFR 23.13.

Frequency of response: Once.

Estimated number of annual responses: 4.

Estimated annual reporting and record keeping burden that will result from the Reporting: 2 hours/response \times 4 respondents = 8 hours.

Recordkeeping: 1 hour/response \times 4 respondents = 4 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 12 hours.

Dated: June 23, 1997.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Information Collection Submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for Review Under the Paperwork Reduction Act

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has submitted the proposed renewal of the information collection for the Housing Assistance Application, codified at 25 CFR 256.5, to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et. seq.*). On February 19, 1997, BIA published a notice in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 7470) requesting public comments on the proposed information collection. The comment period ended on April 21, 1997. BIA received no comments from the public in response to the notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the proposed collection of information and related form and explanatory materials may be obtained by contacting June Henkel, Bureau of Indian Affairs (Bureau), Department of the Interior, 1849 C. Street, NW, MS-4603 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. (202) 208-2721.

DATES: OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days of publication of this notice on or before September 2, 1997 but may respond after 30 days. For maximum consideration, your comments should be submitted by August 1, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Your comments and suggestions on the requirements should be made directly to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20503, (202) 395-7340. Please provide a copy of your comments to June Henkel, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Tribal Services, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4603-MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240, (202) 208-2721.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection is needed to establish whether an applicant is eligible to receive services under the Housing Improvement Program (HIP) and to establish the priority order in which eligible applicants may receive services under the program.

II. Request for Comments

We specifically request your comments on the following:

1. Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the BIA, including whether the information will have practical utility;

2. The accuracy of the Bureau's estimate of the burden of the information collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

3. The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and, 4. How to minimize the burden of the information collection on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical or other forms of information technology.

III. Data

Title of the Collection of Information: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Housing Assistance Application.

OMB Number: 1076-0084

Affected Entities: Individual members of Indian tribes who are living on or near a tribally, or by law, defined service area.

Frequency of Response: Annually or less frequently, depending on length of waiting list, funding availability and dynamics of service population.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 3,500.

Estimated Time per Application: 1/2 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1750 hours.

Dated: June 23, 1997.

Ada E. Deer,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Plan for the Use and Distribution of the White Mountain Apache Tribe Indian Judgment Funds in Docket No. 22-H Before the United States Court of Federal Claims

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the plan for the use and distribution of judgment funds awarded to the White Mountain Apache Tribe in Docket No. 22-H is effective as of April 29, 1997. Distribution of the funds in accordance with the plan shall be administered by the Special Trustee for American Indians through the Office of Trust Funds Management.