

Summary: The collection of information referred to herein applies to a World-Wide Web site that permits individuals to submit records of the number of calling amphibians at wetlands. The Web site is termed Frogwatch USA. Information will be used by scientists and federal, state, and local agencies to identify wetlands showing significant declines in populations of amphibians.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 500.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 3,625 hours.

Affected Public: Primarily U.S. residents.

For Further Information Contact: To obtain copies of the survey, contact the Bureau clearance officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 807 National Center, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia, 20192, telephone (703) 648-7313, or see the website at www.mp2-pwrc.usgs.gov/frogwatch/.

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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 of reinstatement.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has submitted the information collection request, OMB No. 1076-0017, for reinstatement under the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*). On June 5, 1998, the BIA published a Notice in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 30771) requesting comments on Application for Assistance/Services under the Financial Assistance and Social Services Program, the information collection proposed for reinstatement. One public comment was received during the 60-day comment period. The respondent recommended that the application form be divided into two separate forms, enlarging the print, and that Self-Governance Tribes be provided flexibility to develop their own forms. In response to the suggestions, the BIA stated that prior to 1992, there were two separate application forms. Based on the

recommendations of a majority of tribes for brevity and ease of application, the forms were combined. The print is small because of the volume of information requested, but has been determined readable by users and caseworkers alike. Therefore, one comment was not sufficient to change the format. In response to the recommendation that the Self-Governance Tribes not be required to use the form, the BIA agrees that there is no statutory requirement for the Self-Governance Tribes to use the form. However, if the Tribes choose a different form, comparable data should be collected so that the information can be used for reporting and budget preparation purposes.

DATES: OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, but may respond after 30 days; therefore, your comments should be submitted to OMB by April 30, 1999 to assure maximum consideration.

ADDRESSES: Your comments and suggestions on the requirements should be made directly to the Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503. Please provide a copy to Mr. Larry Blair, Office of Tribal Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, MS-4603-MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the collection of information may be obtained by contacting Larry Blair, Office of Tribal Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, MS-4603-MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. Telephone: (202) 208-2479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection is in compliance with 25 CFR Part 20. The information is used to determine eligibility for services and funding of welfare assistance funds which includes general assistance, child welfare assistance, and miscellaneous assistance. In addition, the BIA uses this data to measure program performance and for gathering data to prepare the annual program budget justification.

II. Request for Comments

We specifically request your comments be submitted to OMB as directed in the addresses section. Please send a copy to the BIA. Comments should be submitted within 30 days concerning the following:

1. Is the collection of information necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the BIA; does the information have practical utility;
2. Is BIA's estimate of the burden of the information collection accurate; are the methodology and assumptions used valid;
3. Can the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected be improved, and,
4. Can the burden of the information collection be minimized for those who are to respond; is the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical or other forms of information technology considered.

III. Data

Title of the Collection of Information: Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Application for Financial Assistance and Social Services Program.

OMB Number: 1076-0017.

Affected Entities: Members of Indian tribes and their members who are living on a reservation or near-reservation.

Frequency of Response: Annual.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 200,000 applicants.

Estimated Time per Application: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 50,000 hours.

Dated: March 25, 1999.

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Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Realty Action; Leasing of Public Lands for Compromise Settlement of Litigation

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) proposes to offer a 20-year lease on a parcel of public land located in sections 10 and 15 of T. 17 S., R. 7 E., San Bernardino Meridian. This non-competitive lease is being offered as part of a court stipulation and order for compromise settlement of long standing litigation. The land has been examined and found suitable for leasing under the provision of Section 302 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) of 1976, and 43 CFR Part 2920.