

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 name and telephone number of an agency official familiar with the proposal and of the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Community Outreach Partnership Centers (Program (COPC)).

OMB Approval Number: 2528-0108.

Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use: This

program provides competitive grants to public and private nonprofit institutions of higher education to assist in establishing and/or carrying out research and outreach activities addressing the problems of urban areas. This data collection will support the grantee selection process and monitoring of grantee performance.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency of Submissions: Semi-annually.

Reporting Burden:

	Number of respondents	×	Frequency of response	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Application	160		1		80		12,800
Annual Report	22		44		16		704
Final Report	22		22		16		352
Recordkeeping	22		22		16		352

Total Estimated Burden: 14,208.
Status: New collection.

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

Dated: November 24, 1999.

Wayne Eddins,

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Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of the Secretary

Invasive Species Advisory Committee

ACTION: Establishment.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Executive Order 13112, and acting as administrative lead on behalf of the new interdepartmental Invasive Species Council (Council), the Secretary of the Interior is establishing the Invasive Species Advisory Committee (ISAC). This notice is published in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gordon Brown, Invasive Species Council, telephone (202) 208-6336; fax (202) 219-0229; e-mail a_gordon_brown@ios.doi.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Invasive species are transforming America's lands and waters. Foreign animal and plant species are replacing native wildlife and wreaking enormous financial and ecological damage. Invasive species are second only to habitat destruction in causing species to

be endangered, and estimates of economic harm from these biological invaders run as high as \$123 billion annually. Among other things, invasive species crowd out nutritious native forage, create fire hazards, limit recreation, clog lakes and waterways, undermine fisheries, and corrupt water pipes.

Invasive species causing harm include weeds like yellow starthistle and leafy spurge, which cattle cannot eat; purple loosestrife, which chokes wetlands; miconia, which may destroy the Hawaiian rainforest; and melaleuca trees now expanding across the Everglades. Animals are also problems, such as the zebra mussel, corrupting water supply facilities; the brown tree snake, which has extirpated forest birds on Guam; and the Asian tiger mosquito, which has spread avian malaria to wild birds and other diseases to both humans and other animals.

Purpose and Objective

To advise the Council as authorized by Executive Order 13112 on a broad array of issues related to preventing the introduction of invasive species and providing for their control and minimizing the economic, ecological, and human health impacts that invasive species cause. The Council is co-chaired by the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Secretary of Commerce.

The ISAC will maintain an intensive and regular dialogue with stakeholders and existing organizations to actively explore these issues and will draw on the expertise of its members and other

sources to provide advice. The ISAC will meet up to four times per year.

Balanced Membership Plans

The Committee consists of up to 25 United States citizens. Members of the ISAC will be appointed by the Secretary of the Interior in consultation with the other members of the Council. Members will be selected based on specific needs of the Council in order to balance viewpoints, institutions, geographic diversity, and the advisory functions required to effectively address invasive species science and management. These factors are important and weight is given to geographical distribution, gender, minority status, and institution.

No member may serve on the ISAC for more than three consecutive terms of 2 years. Reappointment terms will be staggered within stakeholder groups (2 or 3 years) to avoid turnover.

Responsible DOI Officials

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Dated: November 19, 1999.

Bruce Babbitt,

Secretary of the Interior.

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