

Priorities List (RMA/NPL) Site has been ongoing, pursuant to a Record of Decision signed in 1996 by the Army, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and the State of Colorado. On January 15, 2004, the Regional Administrator of the EPA published notice(s) in the **Federal Register** announcing deletion of the Selected Perimeter Area (SPA) and Surface Deletion Area (SDA) from the RMA/NPL Site. On January 27, 2004, the Administrator of EPA, acting through the Regional Administrator of EPA, Region 8, certified to the Secretary of the Army that all response actions required for the SPA and SDA have been completed.

Pursuant to the Refuge Act, portions of the SPA and SDA will be transferred by the Army to local units of government to permit the widening of existing roads. Approximately 4,901.81 acres of the SPA and SDA were available for transfer, for refuge purposes, to the Secretary of the Interior. Additionally, approximately 28.04 acres, known as the "Klein Halo," was included in an area deleted from the RAM/NPL Site, as the Western Tier Parcel partial deletion, on January 21, 2003, and was also available for transfer to the Secretary of the Interior. Administrative jurisdiction over these approximately 4,929.85 acres was transferred from the Department of the Army to the Department of the Interior on April 2, 2004. This notice is required within 30 days of that transfer by section 4(a) of the Refuge Act.

It is anticipated that as the environmental remediation at RMA proceeds, additional lands may be deleted from the RMA/NPL Site. As those partial deletions are completed and certification of completion of required response actions is made by EPA to the Secretary of the Army, primary administrative jurisdiction of additional lands will be transferred to the Secretary of the Interior. Such transfers will continue until such time as the remediation is complete and the final configuration of the refuge is determined.

Since 1992, and in accordance with section 2(a) of the Refuge Act, Rocky Mountain Arsenal has been managed "as if it were a unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System" under provisions of a Cooperative Agreement between the Army and the Service. The Cooperative Agreement, mandated by the Refuge Act, created an overlay/secondary jurisdiction refuge status for the Rocky Mountain Arsenal with primary jurisdiction remaining with the Army. As such, the real property comprising the Rocky Mountain Arsenal has

previously been reported as Real Property Number 1229, with 17,000 acres under secondary jurisdiction, in the "Annual Report of Lands Under Control of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service," by the Service's Division of Realty. The action of this notice is the formal establishment of the Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge, under primary jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior, and does not require establishment of a new Real Property Number by the Service's Division of Realty.

Dated: April 6, 2004.

**Mike Stempel,**

*Regional Director, Region 6, Denver, Colorado.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Proposed Information Collection Activities, Request for Comments

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that the Information Collection Request for the Housing Assistance Application requires renewal. The proposed information collection requirement, with no appreciable changes, described below will be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget for review after a public comment period as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Bureau is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before June 21, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested parties are invited to submit written comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to Frank Joseph, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., MS-355B-SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Telephone (202) 513-7620.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Copies of the collection of information form or requests for additional information should be directed to Frank Joseph, (202) 513-7620.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

The information is needed to establish an applicant's eligibility to receive

services under the Housing Improvement Program and to establish the priority order in which eligible applicants may receive services under the program.

##### II. Method of Collection

The housing regulations at 25 CFR part 256 contain the program eligibility and selection criteria (§§ 256.6, 256.8, 256.9, 256.10, 256.13, 256.14), which must be met by prospective applicants seeking program services. Information collected from applicants under these regulations provides eligibility and selection data used by the local servicing housing office to establish whether an applicant is eligible to receive services. The local servicing housing office may be a tribal housing office under a Public Law 93-638, Indian Self-Determination contract or a Self-Governance annual funding agreement, or part of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Additionally, the data is used by the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs to establish whether a request for waiver of a specific housing regulation is in the best interest of the applicant and the Federal Government.

##### III. Data

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

*OMB Control Number:* 1076-0084.

*Expiration Date:* October 31, 2004.

*Type of Review:* Renewal of a currently-approved information collection.

(2) *Summary of the Collection of Information:* The collection of information provides pertinent data concerning an applicant's eligibility to receive services under the Housing Improvement Program and includes:

A. Applicant Information including: Name, current address, telephone number, date of birth, Social Security Number, Tribe, Roll Number, Reservation, marital status, name of spouse, date of birth of spouse, Tribe of spouse, and Roll Number of Spouse.

B. Family Information including: Name, date of birth, relationship to applicant, and Tribe/Roll Number.

C. Income Information: Earned and unearned income.

D. Housing Information including: Location of the house to be repaired, constructed, or purchased. Description of housing assistance for which applying; Knowledge of receipt of prior Housing Improvement Program assistance, amount, to whom and when; ownership or rental; availability of electricity and name of electric company; type of sewer system; water

source; number of bedrooms; size of house; and bathroom facilities.

E. Land Information including: Landowner; legal status of land; or type of interest in land.

F. General Information including: Prior receipt of services under the Housing Improvement Program and description of such; Ownership of other housing and description of such; Identification of Housing and Urban Development funded house and current status of project; Identification of other sources of housing assistance for which the applicant has applied and been denied assistance if applying for a new housing unit or purchase of an existing standard unit; and advisement and description of any severe health problem, handicap or permanent disability.

G. Applicant Certification including: Signature of applicant and date, and signature of spouse and date.

(3) *Description of the need for the information and proposed use of the information:* Submission of this information is required in order to receive services under the Housing Improvement Program. The information is collected to determine applicant eligibility for services and applicant priority order to receive services under the program.

(4) *Description of Likely Respondents, including the estimated number of likely respondents, and proposed frequency of response to the collection of information: Description of Affected Entities:* Individual members of federally recognized Indian tribes who are living within a designated tribal or legally defined service area.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 3500.

*Proposed 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:* 3500.

*Estimated Time per Application:* 1 hour.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 3,500 hours.

*Estimated record keeping burden per application:* The record keeping burden for tribes submitting eligible applicant data and not having or receiving funds to administer the program is estimated to average 1 hour per application, including the time for reviewing the application, determining applicant eligibility, priority ranking and summarizing data for submission.

*Estimated Total Salary Record Keeping Burden and Cost:* 3500 hours × \$25.00 per hour = \$87,500.

#### IV. Request for Comments

We specifically request your comments concerning 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 BIA's estimate of the burden to collect the information, 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.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; the comments will also become a matter of public record. All written comments will be available for public inspection in Room 335B of the South Interior Building, 1951 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays.

An agency 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. The comments, names and addresses of commenters will be available for public view during regular business hours. If you wish us to withhold this information, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will honor your request to the extent allowable by law.

Dated: April 14, 2004.

**David W. Anderson,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

##### Bureau of Land Management

**[AK961-1410-HY-P; F-19570-A; BSA-1]**

##### Alaska Native Claims Selection

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, DOI.

**ACTION:** Notice of decision approving lands for conveyance.

**SUMMARY:** As required by 43 CFR 2650.7(d), notice is hereby given that an appealable decision approving lands for conveyance pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act will be

issued to Solomon Native Corporation. The lands are described as lot 4, U.S. Survey No. 10246, Alaska, and are located in T. 11 S., R. 29 E., Kateel River Meridian, in the vicinity of Solomon, Alaska, and contain 40.00 acres. Notice of the decision will also be published four times in the Nome Nugget.

**DATES:** The time limits for filing an appeal are:

1. Any party claiming a property interest which is adversely affected by the decision shall have until May 21, 2004, to file an appeal.

2. Parties receiving service of the decision by certified mail shall have 30 days from the date of receipt to file an appeal.

Parties who do not file an appeal in accordance with the requirements of 43 CFR part 4, subpart E, shall be deemed to have waived their rights.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of the decision may be obtained from:

Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, 222 West Seventh Avenue, #13, Anchorage, Alaska 99513-7599.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Christy Favorite, by phone at 907-271-5656, or by e-mail at [cfavorit@ak.blm.gov](mailto:cfavorit@ak.blm.gov). Persons who use a telecommunication device (TTD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) on 1-800-877-8330, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, to contact Ms. Favorite.

**Christy Favorite,**

*Land Law Examiner, Branch of Land Transfer Services.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

##### Bureau of Land Management

**[NM-920-1310-04; OKNM 106640]**

##### Proposed Reinstatement of Terminated Oil and Gas Lease OKNM 106640

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of reinstatement of terminated oil and gas lease.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of Public Law 97-451, a petition for reinstatement of oil and gas lease OKNM 106640 for lands in Dewey County, Oklahoma, was timely filed and was accompanied by all required rentals and royalties accruing from June 1, 2002, the date of termination.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lourdes B. Ortiz, BLM, New Mexico State Office, (505) 438-7586.