DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–4904–N–14]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request: Loan Guarantee Recovery Fund

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning And Development, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be 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:* February 22, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Shelia Jones, Reports Liaison Officer, Department of Housing Urban and Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 7232, Washington, DC 20410.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jackie L. Williams, Ph.D., Director, Office of Rural Housing and Economic Development, Room 7137, Washington, DC 20410, telephone: (202) 708–2290, (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as Amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.,* permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Loan Guarantee Recovery Fund.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2506–0159.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: To appropriately determine whether entities that submit applications for assistance under the Loan Guarantee Recovery Fund (Section 4 of the Church Arson Prevention Action of 1996) are eligible applicants and submit applications otherwise in compliance with the regulations, certain information is required. Among other necessary criteria, HUD must determine whether: (1) The financial institution is eligible as defined at 24 CFR Section 573.2 of the regulation; (2) the borrower is eligible as defined under 24 CFR Section; (3) the loan will assist in addressing damage or destruction caused by acts of arson or terrorism; (4) the activities which will be assisted by the guaranteed loans are eligible activities under 573.3; (5) the financial institution utilizes sufficient underwriting standards; and (6) the assisted activities will comply with all applicable environmental laws requirements.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: *Form HUD–40076 LGA (1/2005)*

Members of affected public: Financial institutions such as banks, trust companies, savings and loan associations, credit unions, mortgage companies, or other issues regulated by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Office of Thrift Supervision, the Credit Union Administration, or the U.S. Comptroller of the Currency. Certain not-for-profit organizations affected by acts of arson or terrorism.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the Information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: A total of 100 respondents are expected and the total estimated burden hours is 9440.

Status of the proposed information collection: The Department does not have a critical mass of respondents to serve as a source of information from which conclusions can be drawn with respect to the accuracy of its current estimates.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: December 14, 2004.

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General Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

[AK–910–1310PP–ARAC]

Notice of Public Meeting, Alaska Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Alaska State Office, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Alaska Resource Advisory Council will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The meeting will be held February 8–9, 2005, at the Anchorage Federal Building, located at 7th and C Street, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The public comment period will begin at 1 p.m. February 8.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teresa McPherson, Alaska State Office, 222 W. 7th Avenue #13, Anchorage, AK 99513. Telephone (907) 271–3322 or e-mail *tmcphers@ak.blm.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member Council advises the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Alaska. At this meeting, topics we plan to discuss include:

- Status of land use planning in Alaska
- Off-highway vehicle use designations on BLM-administered lands
- Wildland fire management on BLM-administered lands
- National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska integrated activity plans
- North Slope Science Initiative
- Other topics the Council may raise

All meetings are open to the public. The public may present written comments to the Council. Each formal Council meeting will also have time allotted for hearing public comments. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, transportation, or other reasonable accommodations, should contact BLM.

Dated: December 14, 2004.

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Acting Associate State Director.

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