

electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. Comments should be received within 60 days of the date of this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, Chief, Records Management Section, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security, 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact Colleen Heilig, Training Specialist, U.S. Fire Administration at (301) 447-1613 for additional information. You may contact Ms. Anderson for copies of the proposed collection of information at facsimile number (202) 646-3347 or e-mail address: [FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov).

Dated: December 27, 2004.

**George S. Trotter,**

*Acting Branch Chief, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### National Communications System

### National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** National Communications System (NCS).

**ACTION:** Notice of closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee (NSTAC) will meet via conference call on Wednesday, January 19, 2005, from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. The conference call will be closed to the public. The NSTAC advises the President of the United States on issues and problems related to implementing national security and emergency preparedness (NS/EP) communications policy.

### Summary of Agenda

At this meeting, the NSTAC will receive briefings concerning the Department's national planning activities for critical infrastructure protection; the interim findings of the NSTAC's Next Generation Network Task

Force (NGNTF), and private sector vulnerability mitigation activities that are expected to include discussion of sensitive, commercially confidential and proprietary vulnerability and infrastructure protection information.

**Basis for Closure:** In accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Pub. L. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), the Department has determined that the aforementioned briefings and the associated discussion will concern matters sensitive to homeland security within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(4) and (c)(9)(B) and that, accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Call Ms. Kiesha Gebreyes, Chief, Industry Operations Branch at (703) 607-6134, or write the Manager, National Communications System, P.O. Box 4502, Arlington, Virginia 22204-4502.

**Peter M. Fonash,**

*Acting Deputy Manager, National Communications System.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4903-N-105]

### Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; HUD Standardized Grant Application Forms

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been 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.

HUD is requesting approval for a revision of a currently approved information. The proposed forms are to be used to support a consolidated and streamlined grant application processes in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 106-107, The Federal Financial Assistance Improvement Act of 1999. The forms a similar to those used in previous annual grant application processes.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* February 3, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB

approval Number (2501-0017) and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: (202) 395-6974.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail [Wayne\\_Eddins@HUD.gov](mailto:Wayne_Eddins@HUD.gov); or Lillian Deitzer at [Lillian\\_L\\_Deitzer@HUD.gov](mailto:Lillian_L_Deitzer@HUD.gov) or telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins or Ms Deitzer and at HUD's Web site at <http://www5.hud.gov:63001/po/i/icbts/collectionsearch.cfm>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the information collection described below. 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:* HUD Standardized Grant Application Forms.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2501-0017.

*Form Numbers:* HUD-424-B, Applicant Assurances and Certifications; HUD-424-CB, Grant Application Detailed Budget; HUD-424-CBW, Grant Application Detailed Budget Worksheet; HUD-424-M, Federal Assistance Funding Matrix and Certifications.

*Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use:* The proposed forms are to be used to support a consolidated and streamlined grant application processes in accordance with the provisions of Public Law 106-107, the Federal Financial Assistance Improvement Act

of 1999. The forms a similar to those used in previous annual grant application processes.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion of application for certain HUD grants.

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
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*Total Estimated Burden Hours:* 57,785.

*Status:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

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

Dated: December 23, 2004.

**Wayne Eddins,**

*Departmental Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4904-N-13]

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request, Environmental Reviews**

**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:* March 7, 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:** Richard H. Broun, Director, Office of Environment and Energy, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 7244, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410-7000. For telephone and e-mail communication, contact Walter Prybyla, Environmental Review Division, (202) 708-1201 x4466 or e-mail: [Walter\\_Prybyla@hud.gov](mailto:Walter_Prybyla@hud.gov). This

phone number is not toll-free. Hearing or speech-impaired individuals may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit 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 affected 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:* Information collection for environmental reviews.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* None.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The information collection applies to applicants seeking HUD financial assistance for their project proposals and is used by HUD for the performance of the Department's compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act and related federal environmental laws and authorities in accordance with HUD environmental regulations, 24 CFR part 50: "Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality."

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* None.

The total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection is approximately eight hours. The number of respondents is approximately 2,600. The frequency of response is a one-time

collection. The proposed information collection is for a new collection.

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

Dated: December 29, 2004.

**Nelson R. Bregón,**

*General Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

**Endangered Species Recovery Permits and Applications**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Region 6 of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has issued the following recovery permits for endangered species, between May 1, 2004, and December 31, 2004. We also announce our intention to issue recovery permits to conduct certain activities pertaining to scientific research and enhancement of survival of endangered species.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received February 3, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Written data or comments should be submitted to the Assistant Regional Director-Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 25486, Denver Federal Center, Denver, Colorado 80225-0486; telephone (303) 236-7400, facsimile (303) 236-0027.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Documents and other information submitted with these permits 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 within 20 days of the date of publication of this notice to the address above; telephone (303) 236-7400.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Between April 2004 and December 31, 2004, this office issued or renewed 10 permits for research and enhancement of survival