

this population of assets, it became apparent that a mechanism was needed to solicit data from the asset owners/operators. TSA needs this data, such as the assets' security measures currently deployed, along with a high-level assessment of system security effectiveness, in order to prioritize resources.

In response to this need, TSA's Office of Threat Assessment and Risk Management (OTRM) developed the Department of Homeland Security—Vulnerability Identification Self-Assessment Tool—Transportation (DHS-VISAT-T), formerly called the TSA Self-Assessment Risk Module (TSARM), as a means to gather security-related data. TSA designed this tool to be flexible to support the unique characteristics of each transportation mode, while still providing a common framework from which analysis and trends can be identified. DHS-VISAT-T represents the U.S. Government's first self-assessment tool that provides the following features:

- The tool is provided to users at no cost;
- The tool is voluntary;
- The tool is Web-based, easily accessible; and
- All ratings are determined by the user.

The self-assessment tool contains two sections. In the first section of the tool, users answer a series of questions divided into seven countermeasure categories to develop a comprehensive picture of the asset's security system posture. The countermeasure categories include:

- Plans, Policies, and Procedures;
- Security Training;
- Access Control;
- Physical Security Assets;
- Security Technologies and Equipment;
- Communications Security; and
- Information Security.

The second section of the tool focuses on the prevention and the mitigation of a base array of threat scenarios developed for different categories of assets. Users rate their asset in terms of target attractiveness (from a terrorist's perspective) and several consequence categories that describe health and well-being, economic consequences, and symbolic value of the asset. Users first list the asset's baseline security countermeasures that apply for each of the threat scenarios, and then rate the effectiveness of the countermeasures in detecting and/or preventing the terrorist's actions against each threat scenario. Descriptive guidance for the effectiveness rating is provided for each of the countermeasure categories. The

performance-based effectiveness ratings describe the asset's ability to thwart the threat.

After the tool is applied considering baseline countermeasures, users apply the tool two additional times to assess the impact of adding new countermeasures or enhancing existing countermeasures. The first additional assessment assumes a general increase in the national threat level (orange). The second additional assessment assumes that the asset is known to be a specific target (red). The intent is that the enhanced countermeasures will increase the security effectiveness compared to the baseline effectiveness ratings.

Upon completion of the tool assessment, users receive a report that summarizes their inputs. They may then use this report to develop a security plan or to identify areas of potential vulnerability. Users have the option to submit the completed assessment to DHS. If submitted, DHS reviews the assessment for consistency and provides feedback to the users.

*Number of Respondents:* Of the possible 3,002,450 respondents, TSA expects that approximately 10 percent, or 300,245, will use the tool.

Issued in Arlington, Virginia, on August 3, 2005.

**Lisa S. Dean,**  
*Privacy Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4975-N-23]

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Local Appeals to Single-Family Mortgage Limits

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, 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:* October 11, 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:

Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., L'Enfant Plaza Building, Room 8001, Washington, DC 20410 or [Wayne\\_Eddins@hud.gov](mailto:Wayne_Eddins@hud.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Margaret Burns, (Acting) Director, Office of Single Family Program Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-2121 (this is not a toll free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.

**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 affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection 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 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:* Local Appeals to Single-Family Mortgage Limits.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* 2502-0302.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The National Housing Act permits HUD to raise the maximum mortgage amount up to eighty-seven percent of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) loan limits in areas with high prevailing sales prices to reflect regional differences in the cost of housing. Any party who believes that the present limit does not accurately reflect the higher sales price in that area may request an increase. The request must be accompanied by sufficient housing sales price data to support the request. The data should be a listing of all the one- or nearly all the one-family sales in the area for a prescribed period of time, depending on the volume of sales. HUD will use the information

collected to determine whether an increase is warranted.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* None.

*Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:* The number of burden hours is 5,600. The number of respondents is 140, the frequency of response is on occasion, and the burden hour per response is 40 hours.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* This is an extension of a currently approved collection.

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

Dated: August 1, 2005.

**Frank L. Davis,**

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### **Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission: Notice of Meeting**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 552b of Title 5, United States Code, that a meeting of the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission will be held on Thursday, September 15, 2005.

The Commission was established pursuant to Public Law 99-647. The purpose of the Commission is to assist Federal, State and local authorities in the development and implementation of an integrated resource management plan for those lands and waters within the Corridor.

The meeting will convene on September 15, 2005 at 7 p.m. at Heritage Hall, 101 Green Street, Slatersville, RI 02876 for the following reasons:

1. Approval of Minutes.
2. Chairman's Report.
3. Executive Director's Report.
4. Financial Budget.
5. Public Input.

It is anticipated that about twenty-five people will be able to attend the session in addition to the Commission members.

Interested persons may make oral or written presentations to the Commission or file written statements. Such requests should be made prior to the meeting to: Larry Gall, Interim Executive Director, John H. Chafee, Blackstone River Valley

National Heritage Corridor Commission, One Depot Square, Woonsocket, RI 02895, tel.: (401) 762-0250.

Further information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Larry Gall, Interim Executive Director of the Commission at the aforementioned address.

**Larry Gall,**

*Interim Executive Director, BRVNHCC.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

[UT-030-05-1610-PH-241A]

#### **Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee: Call for Nominations**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of call for nominations for members of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee (GSENM-MAC).

**SUMMARY:** The purpose of this notice is to request public nominations for five members of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Advisory Committee (GSENM-MAC). The GSENM-MAC provides advice and recommendations to GSENM on science issues and the achievement of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Management Plan objectives. GSENM will receive public nominations until September 26, 2005.

**DATES:** A completed nomination form and accompanying nomination letters must be received at the address listed below no later than September 26, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Headquarters Office, 190 East Center, Kanab, Utah 84741.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Allysia Angus, Landscape Architect / Land Use Planner, Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Headquarters Office, 190 East Center, Kanab, Utah 84741; phone (435) 644-4388, or e-mail [allysia\\_angus@blm.gov](mailto:allysia_angus@blm.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Secretary of the Interior established the GSENM-MAXC pursuant to section 309 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1739) and in conformity with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). The Secretary appoints persons to the GSENM-MAC who are representatives of the various

major citizens interests pertaining to land use planning and management of the lands under BLM management in the GSENM. This notice, published pursuant to 43 CFR 1784.4-1 and in accordance with the Approved Management Plan for the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (February 2000), requests the public to submit nominations for candidates who, if appointed, will replace the present incumbents of five, three-year terms on the GSENM-MAC that are scheduled to expire in September, 2005.05. Any individual or organization may nominate one or more persons to serve on the GSENM-MAC. Individuals may nominate themselves for GSENM-MAC membership.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Headquarters Office, (address listed above). To make a nomination, submit to the Headquarters Office a letter of nomination, a completed nomination form, letters of reference from persons or organizations associated with the interest represented by the candidate, candidates and any other information that speaks to the candidate's qualifications.

Nominations may be made for the following categories of interest:

- A member with expertise in wildlife biology, to represent the wildlife biology community;
- A member with expertise in social science, to represent the social science community;
- A representative of State or tribal government;
- An educator, to represent the educational community; and
- A representative of the environmental community.

The specific category the candidate would be representing should be identified in the letter of nomination and in the nomination form. The BLM Utah State Director and the Manager, GSENM, will review the nomination forms and letters of reference. The BLM State Director shall confer with the Governor of the State of Utah on potential nominations. The BLM State Director will then forward recommended nominations to the Secretary of the Interior, who is responsible for making the appointments.

Each GSENM-MAC member will be a person who, as a result of training and experience, has knowledge or special expertise which qualifies him or her to provide advice from among the categories of interest listed above.

There are fifteen members of the GSENM-MAC. Members are appointed