

ancestry and degree of Indian or Alaska Native blood. CDIBs are used by individuals applying for BIA programs and services available to Indians because they are Indian.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 13, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments on the information collection to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior either by facsimile at 202-395-6566 or by e-mail at

*OIRA\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov*. Please submit copy of comments to Iris Drew, Office of Indian Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1001 Indian School Road, NW., Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104. Fax number: (505) 563-3060.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Iris Drew, Tribal Relations Specialist, Tribal Government Services, (505) 563-3530.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This collection was originally approved and assigned OMB Control No. 1076-0153 when it was submitted with a proposed rulemaking, 25 CFR part 70, which was published in the **Federal Register** on April 18, 2000 (66 FR 20775). The proposed rulemaking was not finalized due to various reasons. We are in the process of revising the proposed rulemaking for processing applications for Certificates of Degree of Indian or Alaska Native Blood (CDIB). A request for comments on this information collection request appeared in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 61366) on October 30, 2007. One comment was received during or before the close of the public comment period of December 31, 2007.

*Comment:* We received one comment regarding (1) who needs to fill out the form? Is it to be used only for new recognition applications or for all enrolled persons; (2) does this establish a new "blood" requirement, i.e., 1/8 or 1/4?; and (3) do not reinvent Enrollment for those who have already done it but have reasonable requirements for new enrollees or those denied.

*Response:* (1) Most of the individuals who fill out the form are non-enrolled Indians who wish to document their Indian or Alaska native ancestry. Non-enrolled persons with one-quarter (1/4) or more degree Indian blood may be eligible to receive various services provided to Indians and Alaska Natives by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Other Federal Agencies will accept a CDIB as proof of Indian ancestry. In general, enrolled tribal members who can show proof of tribal membership do not need a CDIB to demonstrate eligibility for services.

(2) Minimum Indian blood degree requirements are established by Congress through federal statute or by tribes and Alaska Native villages through tribal law. The Certificate Degree of Indian or Alaska Native Blood does not establish a new "blood" requirement. Rather, CDIBs are used by individuals who want to document their Indian or Alaska native ancestry and degree of Indian blood. CDIBs do not establish membership in any Indian or Alaska Native tribe.

(3) A CDIB is not an enrollment document. Tribes determine their own membership and the BIA does not enroll tribal members.

*Request for Comments:* The Bureau of Indian Affairs requested comments about the proposed collection to evaluate:

(a) The accuracy of the burden hours, including validity of the methodology used and assumptions made;

(b) The necessity of the information for proper performance of the bureau functions, including its practical utility;

(c) The quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Suggestions to reduce the burden including use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other forms of information technology.

The public is advised that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information that does not display a valid OMB clearance number. For example, this collection is listed by OMB as control No. 1076-0153, and it expired 11/30/07. The response is voluntary to obtain or retain a benefit.

Please submit your comments to the persons listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Please note that comments, names and addresses of commentators, are open for public review. Be aware that your name and address may be available to the public on the OMB Web site. We cannot guarantee that your personal information will be safeguarded.

Your comments should address: (a) The necessity of this information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways we could enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

OMB has up to 60 days to make a decision on the submission for renewal, but may make the decision after 30 days. Therefore, to receive the best consideration of your comments, you should submit them closer to 30 days than 60 days.

*OMB Approval Number:* 1076-0153.  
*Title:* Request for Certificate of Degree of Indian or Alaska Native Blood, 25 CFR part 70.

*Brief Description of Collection:* Submission of this information is voluntary. However, not providing information may result in a determination that an individual is not eligible to receive program services based upon his/her status as an American Indian or Alaska Native. The information to be collected includes: Certificates of birth and death, probate determinations, court orders, affidavits, Federal or Tribal census records and Social Security records.

*Type of Review:* Reinstatement.

*Respondents:* Individual Indians who may be eligible to receive program services based upon their status and/or degree of Indian or Alaska Native blood.

*Number of Respondents:* 154,980.

*Estimated Time per Response:* The reporting and record keeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.5 hours for each response for an estimate 154,980 requests per year or 232,470 hours, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources and gathering needed data. Thus, the estimated total annual reporting and record keeping burden for this entire collection is estimated to be 232,470 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* All information and documentation is to be collected once from each requester.

*Total Annual Burden to Respondents:* 232,470 hours.

*Total Annual Cost to Respondents:* \$6,199,200.

Dated: February 6, 2008.

**Carl J. Artman,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Notice of Deadline for Submitting Completed Applications To Begin Participation in the Tribal Self-Governance Program in Fiscal Year 2009 or Calendar Year 2009

**AGENCY:** Office of Self-Governance, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of Application Deadline.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the Office of Self-Governance (OSG) establishes a March 3, 2008, deadline for tribes/consortia to submit completed applications to begin participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2009 or calendar year 2009.

**DATES:** Completed application packages must be received by the Director, Office of Self-Governance, by March 3, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Application packages for inclusion in the applicant pool should be sent to Ms. Sharee M. Freeman, Director, Office of Self-Governance, Department of the Interior, Mail Stop 355-G-SIB, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Kenneth D. Reinfeld, Office of Self-Governance, Telephone 202-208-5734.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-413), as amended by the Fiscal Year 1997 Omnibus Appropriations Bill (Pub. L. 104-208), the Director, Office of Self-Governance may select up to 50 additional participating tribes/consortia per year for the tribal self-governance program, and negotiate and enter into a written funding agreement with each participating tribe. The Act mandates that the Secretary submit copies of the funding agreements at least 90 days before the proposed effective date to the appropriate committees of the Congress and to each tribe that is served by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) agency that is serving the tribe that is a party to the funding agreement. Initial negotiations with a tribe/consortium located in a region and/or agency which has not previously been involved with self-governance negotiations, will take approximately 2 months from start to finish. Agreements for an October 1 to September 30 funding year need to be signed and submitted by July 1. Agreements for a January 1 to December 31 funding year need to be signed and submitted by October 1.

**Purpose of Notice**

25 CFR Parts 1000.10 to 1000.31 will be used to govern the application and selection process for tribes/consortia to begin their participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2009 and calendar year 2009. Applicants should be guided by the requirements in these subparts in preparing their applications. Copies of these subparts may be obtained from the information contact person identified in this notice.

Tribes/consortia wishing to be considered for participation in the tribal self-governance program in fiscal year 2009 or calendar year 2009 must respond to this notice, except for those which are: (1) Currently involved in negotiations with the Department; (2) one of the 95 tribal entities with signed agreements; or (3) one of the tribal entities already included in the applicant pool as of the date of this notice.

Dated: January 16, 2008.

**Carl J. Artman,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Indian Affairs****Pit River Tribe Liquor Control Ordinance**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes the Pit River Tribe Liquor Control Ordinance. The Ordinance regulates and controls the possession, sale and consumption of liquor within the Pit River tribal land. The tribal land is located on trust land and this Ordinance allows for the possession and sale of alcoholic beverages. This Ordinance will increase the ability of the tribal government to control the distribution and possession of liquor within their tribal land, and at the same time will provide an important source of revenue and strengthening of the tribal government and the delivery of tribal services.

**DATES:** Effective Date: This Ordinance is effective February 12, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Doka Jr., Tribal Operations Officer, Pacific Regional Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, CA 95825, Telephone (916) 978-6067; or Elizabeth Colliflower, Office of Tribal Services, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 4513-MIB, Washington, DC 20240; Telephone (202) 513-7627; Fax (202) 501-0679.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953, Public Law 83-277, 67 Stat. 586, 18 U.S.C. 1161, as interpreted by the Supreme Court in *Rice v. Rehner*, 463 U.S. 713 (1983), the Secretary of the Interior shall certify and publish in the **Federal Register** notice of adopted liquor ordinances for the purpose of regulating liquor transactions in Indian country. The Pit River Tribal Council adopted

this Liquor Control Ordinance on September 7, 2007. The purpose of this Ordinance is to govern the sale, possession and distribution of alcohol within the Pit River tribal lands.

This notice is published in accordance with the authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs. I certify that this Liquor Control Ordinance of the Pit River Tribe was duly adopted by the Tribal Council on September 7, 2007.

Dated: February 6, 2008.

**Carl J. Artman,**

*Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

The Pit River Tribe Liquor Control Ordinance reads as follows:

**Pit River Liquor Control Ordinance**

07-03-38

## Chapter I—Introduction

Section 101. Title. This ordinance shall be known as the Pit River Liquor Control Ordinance.

Section 102. Authority. This ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953, 67 Stat. 586, codified at 18 U.S.C. 1161, and by the authority of the Pit River Tribal Council.

Section 103. Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate and control the possession and sale of liquor on all lands within the jurisdiction of the Pit River Tribe. The enactment of a tribal ordinance governing liquor possession and sale on lands located within the Tribe's jurisdiction will increase the ability of the tribal government to control the sale, distribution and possession of liquor on such lands and will provide an important source of revenue for the continued operation and strengthening of the tribal government and the delivery of tribal government services.

Section 104. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective on certification by the Secretary of the Interior and its publication in the **Federal Register**.

Article 1. Declaration of public policy and purpose.

(a) The introduction, possession, and sale of liquor on lands located within the Tribe's jurisdiction is a matter of special concern to the Tribe.

(b) Federal law currently prohibits the introduction of liquor into Indian Country (18 U.S.C. 1154), except as provided therein and expressly delegates to tribes the decision regarding when and to what extent liquor transactions shall be permitted. (18 U.S.C. 1161).

(c) The Council recognizes that a need exists for strict regulation and control