

Activity	Number of annual respondents	Number of annual responses	Completion time per response	Annual burden hours
FWS Form 3-200-74 .....	270	810	6 minutes .....	81
FWS Form 3-200-75 .....	25	25	30 minutes .....	13
Totals .....	295	835	.....	94

### III. Request for Comments

We invite comments concerning this IC on:

- Whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;
- The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information;
- Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this IC. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: February 17, 2010

**Hope Grey,**

*Information Collection Clearance Officer,  
Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

### Indian Health Service

#### Proposed Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Contracts

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

**ACTION:** Notice of submission to the Office of Management and Budget.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and Indian Health Service (IHS) are submitting the information collection, titled "Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act Programs, 25 CFR 900" to the Office of Management and Budget for renewal. The current approval, designated by OMB Control Number 1076-0136, expires on February 28, 2010. The information is collected to process contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements for award by the BIA and the IHS, as authorized by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 25, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on the information collection to the Desk Officer for Department of the Interior at the Office of Management and Budget, by facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or you may send an e-mail to: [OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov). Please send a copy of your comments to Terry Parks, Office of Indian Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 4520, Washington, DC 20240, Facsimile: (202) 208-5113.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** You may request further information or obtain copies of the information collection request submission from Terry Parks, telephone: (202) 513-7625.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Representatives of the BIA and IHS seek renewal of the approvals for information collections conducted under their joint rule, 25 CFR part 900, implementing the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, as amended (25 U.S.C. 450 *et seq.*). The Act required the joint rule to govern how contracts and grants are awarded to Indian tribes, thereby avoiding the unnecessary burden or confusion associated with two sets of rules and information collection requirements. See 25 U.S.C. 450k(a)(2)(A)(ii). There is no change to the approved burden hours for this information collection.

The information requirements for this joint rule represent significant differences from other agencies in several respects. Both the BIA and IHS

let contracts for multiple programs whereas other agencies usually award single grants to tribes. Under the Act, tribes are entitled to contract and may renew contracts annually, whereas other agencies provide grants on a discretionary or competitive basis.

The BIA and IHS use the information collected to determine applicant eligibility, evaluate applicant capabilities, protect the service population, safeguard Federal funds and other resources, and permit the Federal agencies to administer and evaluate contract programs. Tribal governments or tribal organizations provide the information by submitting Public Law 93-638 contract or grant proposals to the appropriate Federal agency. No third party notification or public disclosure burden is associated with this collection. Approval for the collection expires on February 28, 2010.

### II. Request for Comments

The BIA and IHS request that you send your comments on this collection to the locations listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Your comments should address: (a) The necessity of the information collection for the proper performance of the agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agencies' 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.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or conduct, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday except for legal holidays. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address or other personally identifiable information, be advised that your entire comment—including your

personally identifiable information—may be made public at any time. While you may request that we withhold your personally identifiable information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

### III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 1076–0136.

*Title:* Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Contracts, 25 CFR Part 900.

*Brief Description of Collection:* An Indian tribe or tribal organization may be required to respond from 1 to 12 times per year, depending upon the number of programs they contract from the BIA and IHS. Each response may vary in its length. In addition, each subpart of 25 CFR part 900 concerns different parts of the contracting process. For example, Subpart C relates to provisions of the contents for the initial contract proposal. The burden associated with this would not be used when contracts are renewed. Subpart F describes minimum standards for the management systems used by Indian tribes or tribal organizations under these contracts. Subpart G addresses the negotiability of all reporting and data requirements in the contract. Responses are required to obtain or retain a benefit.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Respondents:* Federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations.

*Number of Respondents:* 550.

*Total Number of Responses:* 5,267.

*Estimated Time per Response:* Varies from 10 to 50 hours, with an average of 45 hours per response.

*Total Annual Burden to Respondents:* 219,792 hours.

Dated: December 18, 2009.

**Alvin Foster,**

*Chief Information Officer, Bureau of Indian Affairs.*

Dated: December 11, 2009.

**Randy Grinnell,**

*Deputy Director of Indian Health Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Information Collection for Tax Credit Bonds for Bureau of Indian Affairs-Funded Schools

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

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act, the Office of Facilities, Environmental, and Cultural Resources

(OFECR), in the Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, is seeking comments on a renewing the information collection entitled “Tax Credit Bonds for Bureau of Indian Affairs-Funded Schools,” which has been assigned Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control Number 1076–0173 and expires on April 30, 2010. This information collection is related to tax credit bonds for BIA-funded schools authorized by the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act of 2009 (ARRA). Indian Tribes interested in obtaining an allocation of the bonding authority to finance construction, rehabilitation, or repair of a BIA-funded elementary or secondary school or dormitory must provide certain information as part of the application. This notice requests comments on the information collection associated with the application.

**DATE:** Submit comments on or before April 26, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail or hand-carry comments to Bernadette Myers, U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Facilities, Environmental and Cultural Resources, 2051 Mercator Drive, Reston, Virginia 20191; or e-mail to: [Bernadette.Myers@bia.gov](mailto:Bernadette.Myers@bia.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bernadette Myers (703) 390–6655.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### I. Abstract

This information collection allows OFECR to receive written applications for allocations of the \$400,000,000 in Tax Credit Bonding Authority granted to the Secretary as a result of the ARRA of 2009. This bonding authority is for the purpose of the construction, rehabilitation and repair of BIA-funded schools. The information collection allows OFECR to determine whether the project is eligible to be considered for an allocation. No third party notification or public disclosure burden is associated with this collection. OFECR obtained an emergency approval of this information collection from OMB to allow it to solicit applications for tax credit bonds. See 74 FR 56211 (October 30, 2009). OMB’s approval for the information collection expires April 30, 2010. Because the tax credit bond authority extends through calendar year 2010, OFECR is requesting a renewal of the OMB authority to collect information from Indian Tribes through applications.

The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 provides an opportunity for interested parties to comment on information collection requests. OFECR is proceeding with this public comment

period as the first step in obtaining renewal of the information collection clearance from OMB. Each clearance request contains (1) type of review, (2) title, (3) summary of the collection, (4) respondents, (5) frequency of collection, (6) reporting and record keeping requirements.

#### II. Request for Comments

If you would like to comment on this information collection, please send your comments to the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Your comments should address: (a) The necessity of the information collection for the proper performance of the agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of our 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.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or conduct and an individual need not respond to a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number. It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section during the hours of 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday except for legal holidays. Before including your address, telephone number, e-mail address or other personally identifiable information, be advised that your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made public at any time. While you may request that we withhold your personally identifiable information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

#### III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 1076–0173.

*Type of Review:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

*Title:* Tax Credit Bonds for Bureau of Indian Affairs-Funded Schools.

*Brief Description of Collection:* Submission of this information is required to apply for allocations of the \$400,000,000 in Tax Credit Bonding Authority granted to the Secretary as a result of the ARRA of 2009. This bonding authority is for the purpose of the construction, rehabilitation and repair of BIA-funded schools. The