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Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Renewal of Currently Approved Information Collection; Comment Request


SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this document announces that the U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution (the U.S. Institute), part of the Udall Foundation, will submit for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) review, a renewal request for the currently approved information collection request (ICR), OMB Control No. 3320–0008 due to expire 04/30/2012: Application for the National Roster of Environmental Conflict Resolution and Collaboration Professionals. The renewal request includes revisions to the currently approved collection.

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the time spent completing the application (“burden of the proposed collection of information”); (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of technology.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 28, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS, CONTACT: Patricia Orr, Director of Policy, Planning and Budget, U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution, 130 South Scott Avenue, Tucson, Arizona 85701, Fax: 520–670–5530, Phone: 520–901–8548, E-mail:orr@ecr.gov. When submitting comments, reference this Federal Register Notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Abstract: The U.S. Institute is a non-partisan federal program established by Congress to provide impartial assistance to parties in resolving environmental, natural resource, and public lands conflicts involving the U.S. government. The U.S. Institute accomplishes much of its work by partnering, contracting with, or referral to, experienced practitioners. In addition, the U.S. Institute maintains the National Roster of Environmental Conflict Resolution and Collaboration Professionals (roster). The Application for the National Roster of Environmental Conflict Resolution and Collaboration Professionals (application) compiles data available from the resumes of environmental neutrals (mediators, facilitators, etc.) into a format that is standardized for efficient and fair eligibility review, database searches, and retrievals.

The roster, the application and the related entry criteria, were developed collaboratively and with the support of partner federal agencies including the Environmental Protection Agency. To apply for membership of the roster a professional needs to complete the application form one time. Once an application is approved, the roster member has access to update information online as needed.

The proposed collection is necessary for screening new applicants and the maintenance of the online roster system. The application is available from the U.S. Institute’s Web site at http://roster.ecr.gov/reference/documents/2012DRAFTRosterApplication.pdf.

Burden Statement

Affected Public: Environmental conflict resolution professionals (new respondents); existing roster members (for updating).

Frequency of Response—new applicants: one time for new applicants.

Frequency of Response—existing applicants: one time first year update by all existing roster members to update existing information to the new format, with suggested updating for major information changes in the following two years.

Estimated Average Annual Respondents: 195 (25 new respondents/year; 310 existing respondents in the first year, 100/year in the following two years).

Total Annual Hours Burden: 234.15 hrs (62.50 hours for new respondents; 465 hours for existing respondents in the first year to update their information to the new format, 25 hours per year for the following two years).

Annual Cost Burden: $11,055 new response and updates combined ($2,951 for new respondents/year; $21,953 for existing respondent updates in the first year, $1,180 for existing respondent updates in the following two years). Labor costs exclusively; no capital or start-up costs.


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NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

TYPE: Quarterly meeting.

DATE AND TIME: March 9, 2012, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

LOCATION: 1177 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036.

STATUS: The meeting on March 9 will be open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The agenda for the board meeting includes an update on the Council’s various reports including the annual progress report, a discussion on several funding proposals including a project focused on the subminimum wage and competitive integrated employment, a public comment session, a presentation by Peter Blanck, Chairman of the Burton Blatt Institute at Syracuse University, to provide an update on emerging issues in regards to disability law, policy, and research such as equal access to technology and opportunities for competitive integrated employment and other items to be determined. A public comment session will be held on Friday, March 9, 2012 from 1:30 p.m. until 2 p.m.

Interested parties may join the meeting in a listening-only capacity (with the exception of the public comment period) using the following call-in information: Call-in number: 888–428–9505. The passcode is “NCD Meeting.” Written comments on disability-related issues of concern or interest may be mailed to NCD’s office at 1331 F Street NW., Suite 650, Washington, DC 20004 or faxed to the NCD office at (202) 272–2022. Comments may also be emailed to PublicComment@ncd.gov at any time.


ACCOMMODATIONS: Those who plan to attend and require accommodations should notify NCD as soon as possible to allow time to make arrangements.

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