are encouraged and will be accepted for “sixty days” until January 3, 2014. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

If you have comments, especially on the estimated public burden or associated response time, suggestions, or need additional information, please contact Mr. Tracy Toulou, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Room 2310, Washington, DC 20530.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Comments should address one or more of the following four points:

—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;

—Evaluate the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

—Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

—Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) Type of Information Collection: New collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Request for Accelerated Authority to Exercise Special Domestic Violence Criminal Jurisdiction.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Justice sponsoring the collection: No form number.

Component: Office of Tribal Justice.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Tribal governments. Other: None.

Abstract: The Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 (VAWA 2013) was signed into law on March 7, 2013. Section 904 of VAWA 2013 recognizes the inherent power of “participating tribes” to exercise special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction over certain defendants, regardless of their Indian or non-Indian status, who commit acts of domestic violence or dating violence or violate certain protection orders in Indian country. Section 904 also specifies the rights that a participating tribe must provide to defendants in special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction cases. Section 908(b)(1) provides that tribes generally cannot exercise the special jurisdiction until March 7, 2015, but Section 908(b)(2) establishes a pilot project that authorizes the Attorney General, in the exercise of his discretion, to grant a tribe’s request to be designed as a “participating tribe” on an accelerated basis and to commence exercising the special jurisdiction on a date (prior to March 7, 2015) set by the Attorney General, after coordinating with the Secretary of the Interior, consulting with affected tribes, and concluding that the tribe’s criminal justice system has adequate safeguards in place to protect defendants’ rights, consistent with Section 204 of the Indian Civil Rights Act, as amended, 25 U.S.C. 1304. The Department of Justice has published a notice seeking comments on procedures for an Indian tribe to request designation as a “participating tribe” on an accelerated basis, and for the Attorney General to act on such requests, 78 FR 35961 (June 14, 2013). Pursuant to the notice, the Attorney General has delegated to the Associate Attorney General the authority to decide whether to grant the request of a tribe to be designated as a “participating tribe” prior to March 7, 2015. The purpose of the collection is to provide information from the requesting tribe sufficient for the Associate Attorney General to make that decision.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: Fewer than 40 respondents; average of 16 hours.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: There are an estimated 640 annual total burden hours associated with this collection.

The Department of Justice anticipates responses from between 5 and 40 Tribes. The information collection will require Indian tribes seeking accelerated exercise of special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction to provide certain information relating to the tribe’s criminal justice system and safeguards for victims’ and defendants’ rights.

If additional information is required, contact: Jerri Murray, Department Clearance Officer, Policy and Planning Staff, Justice Management Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE., Room 1407B, Washington, DC 20530.


Jerri Murray,  
Department Clearance Officer for PRA, U.S. Department of Justice.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Mine Safety and Health Administration  
[OMB Control No. 1219–0019]

Proposed Information Collection; Slope and Shaft Sinking Plans (Pertains to Surface Work Areas of Underground Coal Mines)

AGENCY: Mine Safety and Health Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A). This program helps to assure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is soliciting comments concerning the extension of the information collection for Slope and Shaft Sinking Plans. 30 CFR 77.1900.

DATES: All comments must be postmarked or received by midnight Eastern Standard Time on January 3, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning the information collection requirements of this notice may be sent by any of the methods listed below.


• Regular Mail or Hand Delivery: MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, VA 22209–3939. Sign in at the receptionist’s desk on the 21st floor.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sheila McConnell, Deputy Director, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, MSHA, at
Section 103(h) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), 30 U.S.C. 813, authorizes MSHA to collect information necessary to carry out its duty in protecting the safety and health of miners.

Title 30 CFR 77.1900 requires underground coal mine operators to submit for approval a plan that will provide for the safety of workmen in each slope or shaft that is commenced or extended from the surface to the underground coal mine. Each slope or shaft sinking operation is unique in that each operator uses different methods and equipment and encounters different geological strata which make it impossible for a single set of regulations to ensure the safety of the miners under all circumstances. This makes an individual slope or shaft sinking plan necessary. The plan must be consistent with prudent engineering design. Plans include the name and location of the mine; name and address of the mine operator; a description of the construction work and methods to be used in construction of the slope or shaft, and whether all or part of the work will be performed by a contractor; the elevation, depth and dimensions of the slope or shaft; the location and elevation of the coalbed; the general characteristics of the strata through which the slope or shaft will be developed; the type of equipment which the operator proposes to use; the system of ventilation to be used; and safeguards for the prevention of caving during excavation.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the MSHA's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This information collection request is available on MSHA's Web site listed in order of OMB number at http://www.msha.gov/regs/fedreg/informationcollection/informationcollection.asp. The information collection request will be available on MSHA's Web site for 60 days after the publication date of this notice, and on http://www.regulations.gov. Because comments will not be edited to remove any identifying or contact information, MSHA cautions the commenter against including any information in the submission that should not be publicly disclosed.

The public may also examine publicly available documents at MSHA, Office of Standards, Regulations, and Variances, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, Room 2350, Arlington, VA 22209–3939 by signing in at the receptionist's desk on the 21st floor.

Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice.

III. Current Actions

This request for collection of information contains provisions for the Extension of the Information Collection Request Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendations; Slope and Shaft Sinking Plans, 30 CFR 77.1900.

MSHA does not intend to publish the results from this information collection and is not seeking approval to not display the expiration date for the OMB approval of this information collection.

There are no certification exceptions identified and this information collection and the collection of this information does not employ statistical methods.

Type of Review: Extension  
Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration  
Title: Slope and Shaft Sinking Plans  
OMB Number: 1219–0019  
Affected Public: Business of other for-profit  
Total Number of Respondents: 31  
Frequency: On occasion  
Total Number of Responses: 68  
Total Burden Hours: 1,360 hours  
Total Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost Burden: $51

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.