The Office of Planning, Hawaii Coastal Zone Management Program and the University of Hawaii with the support of the Estuarine Reserves Division of the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce, will hold a public meeting for the purpose of receiving comments on the preliminary recommendation that the Heeia estuary be proposed for designation as a National Estuarine Research Reserve in Hawaii.

DATES: The meeting will be held on February 27, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Governor Samuel Wilder King Intermediate School Dining Room, 46–155 Kamehameha Hwy, Kaneohe, HI 96744.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This will be the second public meeting held regarding the State’s preliminary recommendation that the Heeia estuary in Kaneohe Bay, Oahu, be proposed for designation as a National Estuarine Research Reserve (NERR). A previous meeting was held on January 9, 2014. These meetings are held in compliance with NOAA regulations at 15 CFR Part 921 for the selection, designation and management of NERRs.

The views of interested persons and organizations on the proposed site recommendation are solicited, and may be expressed to the State of Hawaii orally during the meeting and/or in written statements to the Office of Planning, Coastal Zone Management Program, Attn: NERRS, P.O. Box 2359, Honolulu, HI 96804. An informational presentation on the Heeia Estuary and the National Estuarine Research Reserve System (NERRS) is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. All comments received at the meeting will be considered in a formal nomination by the state to NOAA. All comments provided to NOAA will be shared with the State of Hawaii as part of the site selection process.

The NERRS is a federal-state partnership that is administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The system protects more than 1.3 million acres of estuarine habitat for long-term research, monitoring, education and stewardship throughout the coastal United States. Established by the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1451–1466 each reserve is managed by a lead state agency or entity with input from local partners. NOAA provides funding and national programmatic guidance.

The NERR site selection effort is a culmination of several years of local, grassroots support for a Hawaii NERR. The recommendation of the Heeia site follows a public solicitation and site proposal evaluation process. Federal, state, and county agency representatives and estuarine experts evaluated site proposals and recommended to the State that Heeia be considered as the preferred site.


Persons with disabilities please contact Leo Asuncion at the Office of Planning, Coastal Zone Management Program by February 18, 2014 to make arrangements. Phone: 808–587–2846.

Dated: January 17, 2014.

Christopher C. Cartwright, Associate Assistant Administrator for Management and CFO/CAO, Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).


Title: Native American Tribal Insignia Database.

Form Number(s): None.

Agency Approval Number: 0651–0048.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 3 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 3 responses per year.

Avg. Hours per Response: The USPTO estimates that a recognized Native American tribe will require an average of 45 minutes (0.75 hours) to complete a request to record an official insignia, including time to prepare the
appropriate documents and submit the completed request to the USPTO.


The USPTO database of official tribal insignias provides evidence of what a federally or state-recognized Native American tribe considers to be its official insignia. The database thereby assists trademark examining attorneys in their examination of applications for trademark registration by serving as a reference for determining the registrability of a mark that may falsely suggest a connection to the official insignia of a Native American tribe. The entry of an official insignia into the database does not confer any rights to the tribe that submitted the insignia, and entry is not the legal equivalent of registering the insignia as a trademark under 15 U.S.C. 1051 et seq.

This information collection is used by the USPTO to enter an official insignia submitted by a federally or state-recognized Native American tribe into the database. There are no forms associated with this collection.

Affected Public: Tribal governments.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Nicholas A. Fraser, email: Nicholas_A_Fraser@omb.eop.gov.

Once submitted, the request will be publicly available in electronic format through the Information Collection Review page at www.reginfo.gov.

Paper copies can be obtained by:
  • Email: InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include “0651–0048 copy request” in the subject line of the message.
  • Mail: Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Catherine Cain, Attorney Advisor, Office of the Commissioner for Trademarks, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313–1450, by telephone at 571–272–8946, or by email at Catherine.Cain@uspto.gov. Additional information about this collection is also available at http://www.reginfo.gov under “Information Collection Review.”

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This collection of information is required by the Trademark Act, 15 U.S.C. 1051 et seq., which provides for the federal registration of trademarks, service marks, collective trademarks and service marks, collective membership marks, and certification marks. Individuals and businesses that use such marks, or intend to use such marks, in interstate commerce may file an application to register their marks with the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). In some cases, the USPTO issues Office Actions to applicants who have applied for a trademark application, requesting additional information that was not provided with the initial submission but is required before issuance of a registration. Also, the USPTO may determine that a mark is not entitled to registration, pursuant to one or more provisions of the Trademark Act. In such cases, the USPTO will issue an Office Action advising the applicant of the refusal to register the mark. Applicants reply to these Office Actions by providing the required information and/or by putting forth legal arguments as to why the refusal of registration should be withdrawn.

The USPTO administers the Trademark Act through Chapter 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These rules allow the USPTO to request and receive information required to process applications. These rules also allow applicants to submit certain amendments to their applications.

Applicants may also supplement their applications and provide further information by filing a Voluntary Amendment Not in Response To USPTO Office Action/Letter, a Request for Reconsideration after Final Office Action, a Post-Publication Amendment, a Petition to Amend Basis Post-Publication, and a Suspension Inquiry or Letter of Suspension, or by submitting a Substitute Trademark/ Servicemark, Substitute Certification Mark, or Substitute Collective Membership Mark application. Thus, this collection includes information that was not submitted with the initial application and is needed by the USPTO to review applications for trademark registration.

II. Method of Collection

The forms in this collection are available in electronic format through the Trademark Electronic Application System (TEAS), which may be accessed on the USPTO Web site. TEAS Global Forms are available for the items where a TEAS form with dedicated data fields is not yet available. Applicants may also submit the information in paper form by mail, fax, or hand delivery.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651–0050.

Form Number(s): PTO 1771, 1822, 1957, 1960, and 1966.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.