

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* June 3, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000; telephone 202-402-3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Arlette Mussington, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives, PIH, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., (L'Enfant Plaza, Room 2206), Washington, DC 20410; telephone 202-402-4109, (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Mussington.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in section A.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Energy and Performance Information Center (EPIC).

OMB Approval Number: 2577-0274.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Form Numbers: N/A—all information collected electronically.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The Department has recognized the need for improving energy efficiency in affordable housing and has prioritized this in Agency Priority Goal # 4, Measure # 13. The energy efficiency data collected through EPIC gives the Department a more comprehensive dataset regarding energy efficiency. The EPIC data system will gradually automate the collection of the five year plan and annual statement forms from grantees. These are required forms presently collected in hard copy on Forms HUD 50075.1 and HUD 50075.2 under collection OMB control number 2577-0226. These forms also collect

data on the eventual, actual use of funds; this data will be gradually collected electronically through the EPIC data system as well. Electronic collection will enable the Department to aggregate information about the way grantees are using Federal funding. Additionally, PHA grantees will be able to submit Replacement Housing Factor fund plans, the mechanism by which PHAs are allowed to accumulate special funds received based on units removed from the inventory from year to year. This information is presently collected in hard copy at the field office level; the EPIC data system will automate and centralize this collection in order to streamline the process and improve transparency. Furthermore, the EPIC data system will be loaded with Physical Needs Assessment (“PNA”) data. This data being in the system coupled with the electronic planning process will streamline grantee planning. The EPIC data system will collect information about the Energy Performance Contract (“EPC”) process, including the energy efficiency improvements. As the Department moves to shrink its energy footprint in spite of rising energy costs, clear and comprehensive data on this process will be crucial to its success. Finally, the Department has prioritized in Agency Performance Goal # 2, Measure # 5 making housing more available for more families. In the light of the recent housing crisis, this goal has become simultaneously more challenging and more important. Tracking of the use of Federal funds paid through the Public Housing Capital Fund, the only Federal funding stream dedicated to the capital needs of the nation’s last resort housing option, is crucial to understanding how the Department can properly and efficiently assist grantees in meeting this goal as well as assessing the Department’s own progress. The EPIC data system will track development of public housing with Federal funds and through other means, including mixed-finance development.

Respondents (i.e. affected public): Members of Affected Public: State, Local or Local Governments and Non-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3,150.

Estimated Number of Responses: 31,800 annual responses .

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Hours per Response: 2.19 .

Total Estimated Burdens: 69,645 hours.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected

parties concerning the collection of information described in section A on the following:

(1) 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;

(2) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35 as amended.

Dated: March 26, 2016.

Merrie Nichols-Dixon,
Deputy Director, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Indian Gaming; Tribal-State Class III Gaming Compact Taking Effect in the State of New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Pueblo of Sandia and State of New Mexico entered into a Tribal-State compact governing Class III gaming; this notice announces that the compact is taking effect.

DATES: Effective April 4, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA) requires the Secretary of the Interior to publish in the **Federal Register** notice of approved Tribal-State compacts that are for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. *See* Public Law 100-

497, 25 U.S.C. 2701 *et seq.* All Tribal-State Class III compacts are subject to review and approval by the Secretary under 25 CFR 293.4. The Secretary took no action on the Pueblo of Sandia-State of New Mexico compact within 45 days of its submission. Therefore, the compact is considered to have been approved, but only to the extent the compact is consistent with IGRA. *See* 25 U.S.C. 2710(d)(8)(C).

Dated: March 17, 2016.

Lawrence S. Roberts,

Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Indian Gaming; Extension of Tribal-State Class III Gaming Compact (Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe and the State of South Dakota)

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the extension of the Class III gaming compact between the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe and the State of South Dakota.

DATES: This extension is effective on April 4, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 25 CFR 293.5, an extension to an existing Tribal-State Class III gaming compact does not require approval by the Secretary if the extension does not modify any other terms of the compact. The Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe and the State of South Dakota have reached an agreement to extend the expiration of their existing Tribal-State Class III gaming compact until September 7, 2016. This publishes notice of the new expiration date of the compact.

Dated: March 25, 2016.

Lawrence S. Roberts,

Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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Indian Gaming; Notice of Tribal-State Class III Gaming Compact Taking Effect in the State of New Mexico

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Pueblo of San Felipe and State of New Mexico entered into a Tribal-State compact governing Class III gaming; this notice announces that the compact is taking effect.

DATES: Effective April 4, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Washington, DC 20240, (202) 219-4066.

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Dated: March 17, 2016.

Lawrence S. Roberts,

Acting Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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Grant Availability to Federally Recognized Indian Tribes To Implement Traffic Safety Programs and Projects on Indian Reservations

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice is intended to inform federally-recognized Indian

Tribes of the application process and due date for the Indian Highway Safety Program for Fiscal Year 2017. In accordance with Federal law and as authorized by the Secretary of Transportation, the Bureau of Indian Affairs, through its Indian Highway Safety Program (IHSP), will make funds available to federally recognized Indian Tribes on an annual basis for implementing traffic safety programs and projects that are designed to reduce the number of traffic crashes, death, injuries and property damage within Indian country. All project applications received on or before the deadline will be reviewed and selected on a competitive basis.

DATES: IHSP mailed application packets to all Tribal leaders by February 15, 2016. Applications for program and/or project funds must be received on or before May 2, 2016. Applications not received by the IHSP by close of business on May 2, 2016, will not be considered and will be returned unopened.

ADDRESSES: Each Tribe must submit their application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Justice Services, Attention: Indian Highway Safety Program Director, 1001 Indian School NE., Suite 251, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tribes should direct questions or requests for copies of the application packet to: Kimberly Belone, Indian Highway Safety Program, 1001 Indian School NE., Suite 251, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87104; telephone (505) 563-3900.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1973 (Pub. L. 93-87) provides for U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) funding, through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) to assist Indian Tribes in implementing traffic safety projects. Any program or project request must be designed to reduce the number of motor vehicle traffic crashes and their resulting fatalities, injuries, and property damage on Indian reservations and within Indian communities. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death to American Indians/Alaska Natives for ages 1 to 44. Nationwide, 511 American Indians/Alaska Natives were killed in motor vehicle crashes in 2013. Of this total, 180 died on reservations. For additional American Indians/Alaska Natives fatality data, you can access the NHTSA fatality Web site at: <http://www->