DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA–2017–0033; OMB No. 1660–0086]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; National Flood Insurance Program—Mortgage Portfolio Protection Program (MPPP)

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public to take this opportunity to comment on a reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved information collection for which approval has expired. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the National Flood Insurance Program, Mortgage Portfolio Protection Program (MPPP), which is an option that companies participating in the National Flood Insurance Program can use to bring their mortgage loan portfolios into compliance with the flood insurance purchase requirements.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before December 26, 2017.

ADDRESSES: To avoid duplicate submissions to the docket, please use only one of the following means to submit comments:


2. Mail. Submit written comments to Docket Manager, Office of Chief Counsel, DHS/FEMA, 500 C Street SW., 8NE, Washington, DC 20472–3100.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice that is available via the link in the footer of www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kelly Bronowicz, Industry Management Branch Chief, FIMA, FEMA, 202–557–9488, Kelly.Bronowicz2@fema.dhs.gov. You may contact the Records Management Division for copies of the proposed collection of information at email address: FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Federal lenders and federally regulated or sponsored lending institutions may not make, increase, extend, or renew any loan secured by improved real property located in a special flood hazard area (SFHA) unless the building and any personal property securing the loan is covered by flood insurance for the life of the loan. See Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (FDPA) § 102 (Pub. L. 93–234; 42 U.S.C. 4012a). The Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) carries out the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) to enable interested persons to purchase insurance against loss resulting from physical damage to or loss of real or personal property arising from flood in the United States. See National Flood Insurance Act of 1968 (NFIA) (Pub. L. 90–448, title XIII; 42 U.S.C. 4001 et seq.).

In general, individual mortgagees subject to the requirements of the FDPA obtain and maintain flood insurance for their individual properties. When individual mortgagees to not obtain required flood insurance, the NFIP’s Mortgage Portfolio Protection program (MPPP) allows covered lenders to ensure compliance with the requirements of FDPA by selling making available special coverage for the lender’s entire mortgage portfolio. See 44 CFR 62.23(l). In order sell MPPP policies, private insurance companies participating in the NFIP’s Write Your Own (WYO) Program must apply for and annually renew their election to voluntarily participate in the MPPP.

This information collection expired on December 31, 2016. FEMA is requesting a reinstatement, without change.

Collection of Information

Title: National Flood Insurance Program—Mortgage Portfolio Protection Program (MPPP).

Type of information collection: Reinstatement, without change, of a previously approved information collection for which approval has expired.

OMB Number: 1660–0086.

Form Titles and Numbers: None.

Abstract: FEMA needs the information to ensure that private insurance companies that join the NFIP’s WYO Program meet all state and federal requirements for insurance companies. Requirements include a good business record and satisfactory rating in their field. There is no other way to obtain this information because it is specific to each company that applies to join the NFIP.

Affected Public: Business or other non-profits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 341.

Estimated Number of Responses: 341.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 171 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: $9,309.47.

Estimated Respondents’ Operation and Maintenance Costs: $0.

Estimated Respondents’ Capital and Start-Up Costs: $0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: $27,468.05.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the ADDRESSES caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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...
technical collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.


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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA–4344–DR; Docket ID FEMA–2017–0001]

California; Amendment No. 2 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of California (FEMA–4344–DR), dated October 10, 2017, and related determinations.

DATES: This amendment was issued October 13, 2017.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that the incident period for this emergency is closed effective October 10, 2017.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.051, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.052, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.053, Hazard Mitigation Grant.


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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
Federal Emergency Management Agency


Mississippi; Emergency and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the State of Mississippi (FEMA–3393–EM), dated October 7, 2017, and related determinations.

DATES: The declaration was issued October 7, 2017.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated October 7, 2017, the President issued an emergency declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121–5207 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the emergency conditions in certain areas of the State of Mississippi resulting from Hurricane Nate beginning on October 6, 2017, and continuing, are of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq. ("the Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such an emergency exists in the State of Mississippi.

You are authorized to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, you are authorized to provide assistance for emergency protective measures (Category B), including direct Federal assistance, under the Stafford Act.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance be supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal emergency assistance and administrative expenses.