

framework of areas that are vital to the welfare of individual States.

The NCGMP EDMAP program allocates funds to colleges and universities in the United States and Puerto Rico through an annual competitive cooperative agreement process. Every Federal dollar awarded is matched with university funds. Geology professors, who are skilled in geologic mapping, request EDMAP funding to support undergraduate and graduate students at their college or university in a one-year mentored geologic mapping project that focuses on a specific geographic area.

Only State Geological Surveys are eligible to apply to the STATEMAP component of the NCGMP pursuant to the National Geologic Mapping Act (Pub. L. 106–148). Since many State Geological Surveys are organized under a state university system, such universities may submit a proposal on behalf of the State Geological Survey.

Each fall, the program announcements are posted to the *Grants.gov* website and respondents are required to submit applications (comprising Standard Form 424, 424A, 424B, Proposal Summary Sheet, the Proposal, and Budget Sheets. Additionally, EDMAP proposals must include a Negotiated Rate Agreement and a Support letter from a State Geologist or USGS Project Chief).

Since 1996, more than \$5 million from the NCGMP has supported geologic mapping efforts of more than 1,200 students working with more than 260 professors at 161 universities in 44 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Funds for graduate projects are limited to \$17,500 and undergraduate project funds limited to \$10,000. These funds are used to cover field expenses and student salaries, but not faculty salaries or tuition. The authority for both programs is listed in the National Geologic Mapping Act (Pub. L. 106–148).

We will protect information from respondents considered proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and its implementing regulations (43 CFR part 2), and under regulations at 30 CFR 250.197, “Data and information to be made available to the public or for limited inspection.” Responses are voluntary. No questions of a “sensitive” nature are asked.

Title of Collection: National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program (NCGMP–EDMAP and STATEMAP).

OMB Control Number: 1028–0088.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: University or College faculty and State Geological Surveys.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: Approximately 50 University or College faculty and 45 State Geological Survey respondents.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: Total number of responses is 185. Approximately 95 University or College faculty and 90 State Geological Survey responses.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: 36 hours.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 5,220 hours total.

Respondent's Obligation: None. Participation is voluntary, though necessary to receive funding.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Total Estimated Annual Non-Hour Burden Cost: There are no “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this IC.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*).

Darcy McPhee,

Associate Program Coordinator, National Cooperative Geologic Mapping Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Number 1076–0020]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Loan Guarantee, Insurance and Interest Subsidy Program

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs,
Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection;
request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs (AS–IA) is proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 6, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection request (ICR) by mail to David Johnson, Acting Chief, Division of Capital Investment, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, U.S. Department of the

Interior, 1849 C Street NW, MIB 4138, Washington, DC 20240; email: Davidb.Johnson@bia.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1076–0020 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, please contact David Johnson by telephone at: (202) 208–3026.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the AS–IA; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the AS–IA enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the AS–IA minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: Submission of this information allows the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED) to implement the Loan Guarantee, Insurance, and Interest Subsidy Program, 25 U.S.C. 1451 *et seq.*, the purpose of which is to encourage private lending to individual Indians and Indian organizations by providing lenders with loan guarantees or loan insurance to reduce their potential risk.

The information collection allows IEED to determine the eligibility and credit-worthiness of respondents and loans and otherwise ensure compliance with Program requirements. This information collection includes the use of several forms.

Title of Collection: Loan Guarantee, Insurance, and Interest Subsidy.

OMB Control Number: 1076-0020.

Form Numbers: LGA10, LIA10, RGI10, ISR10, NOD10, CFL10, ALD10, NIL10, and LGC10.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public:

Lenders, including commercial banks, and borrowers, including individual Indians and Indian organizations.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 295.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 1.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: 2,654 hours.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: Varies from 0.5 to 2 hours.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to Obtain or Retain a Benefit.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion.

Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Burden Cost: None.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Elizabeth K. Appel,

Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Advisory Board for Exceptional Children

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Education (BIE) is announcing that the Advisory Board for Exceptional Children will hold a public meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to meet the requirements of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA) for Indian children with disabilities.

DATES: The Advisory Board will meet Saturday, September 22, 2018 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mountain Time. A public comment period is scheduled from 11:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Mountain Time. In order for written comments to be considered by the Advisory Board during the meeting, comments must be received by September 17, 2018.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the 1011 Indian School Rd. NW, Large Conference Room on the 3rd floor in Albuquerque, NM 87104. Telephone number: (480) 777-7986. Those wishing to participate via conference call may do so by calling in to telephone number 1-888-417-0376, passcode 1509140.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Davis, Designated Federal Officer, Bureau of Indian Education, 2600 N Central Ave. Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona 85004, telephone number (480) 777-7986; fax number (602) 265-0293 Attention: Jennifer Davis, DFO; or email Jennifer.davis@bie.edu.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Board was established to advise the Secretary of the Interior, through the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, on the needs of Indian children with disabilities. The meeting is open to the public. During the meeting the Advisory Board will discuss the priorities, advice, and recommendations that will be included in the 2018 Annual Report; there will be an opportunity for public comment; and the Advisory Board will finalize the 2018 Annual Report. Those wishing to make comments during the meeting may do so or can send written comments to the DFO (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**). In order for written comments to be considered by the Advisory Board during the meeting, comments must be received by September 17, 2018. In order to accommodate all those wishing to make an oral presentation, comments (both in person and via call-in) may be limited for time depending on the number of participants. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in a written comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 5; 20 U.S.C. 1400 *et seq.*

Dated: August 31, 2018.

Tara Sweeney,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

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Control Number 1014-0005]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Relief or Reduction in Royalty Rates

AGENCY: Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) proposes to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 9, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments on this information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget's Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior by email at OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov; or via facsimile to (202) 395-5806. Please provide a copy of your comments to the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement; Regulations and Standards Branch; ATTN: Kelly Odom; 45600 Woodland Road, Sterling, VA 20166; or by email to kelly.odom@bsee.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1014-0005 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Kelly Odom by email at kelly.odom@bsee.gov, or by telephone at (703) 787-1775. You may also view the ICR at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

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