ICR status: This ICR is currently scheduled to expire on April 30, 2019. 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 OMB control numbers for EPA’s regulations in title 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), after appearing in the Federal Register when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: This ICR documents the Paperwork burden of the electronic collection of information for the pre-award burden activity for creating a work plan and the post-award and after-the-grant award activities related to reporting accomplishments to implement EPA’s Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) State and Tribal Assistance Grant (STAG) program (7 U.S.C. 136.u). This ICR augments the ICR entitled “EPA’s General Regulation for Assistance Programs ICR” (EPA No. 0938.18; OMB No. 2060–0020) which accounts for the current PRA burden for the minimum management requirements for all recipients of EPA grants or cooperative agreements (assistance agreements). This ICR renewal provides the burden assessment for the FIFRA program specific activities associated with using a standardized electronic format for only the STAG program reporting.

Burden statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 46.13 hours per response. Burden is defined in 5 CFR 1320.3(b).

The ICR, which is available in the docket along with other related materials, provides a detailed explanation of the collection activities and the burden estimate that is only briefly summarized here:

Respondents/affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this ICR are state, local governments, Indian tribes, and U.S. territories. Entities potentially affected by this ICR are grantees of Federal funds participating in the FIFRA and STAG program. The corresponding North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) Codes for respondents include: 9241—Administration of Environmental Quality programs; 92115—American Indians and Alaska Native Tribal Governments.

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 81.

Frequency of response: Biannually.

Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent: 2.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 26,195 hours.

Estimated total annual costs: $2,102,179. There are no capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

III. Are there changes in the estimates from the last approval?

There is no increase or decrease of the PRA burden hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with that identified in the ICR currently approved by OMB. However, there is an increase in EPA’s burden cost in this ICR relative to the previous ICR due to updating the wages (from 2012 to 2017) and using the fully loaded wage rate replacing the unloaded wage rate used in the current ICR. This change is a program adjustment.

IV. What is the next step in the process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. EPA will issue another Federal Register document pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Requests to make oral comments or to provide written comments to NAC/GAC should be sent to Oscar Carrillo at carrillo.oscar@epa.gov by October 3rd. The meeting is open to the public, on a first-come, first-served basis. Members of the public wishing to participate in the meeting should contact Oscar Carrillo via email or by calling (202) 564–0347 no later than October 3rd. Oscar Carrillo has been designated signature authority by Monisha Harris, Director, Federal Advisory Committee Management Division.

Meeting Access: Information regarding accessibility and/or accommodations for individuals with disabilities should be directed to Oscar Carrillo at the email address or phone number listed above. To ensure adequate time for processing, please make requests for accommodations at least 10 days prior to the meeting.

Dated: September 6, 2018.

Oscar Carrillo, Program Analyst.