

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**National Park Service**

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Agency Information Collection Activities; Procedures for State, Tribal, and Local Government Historic Preservation Programs

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the National Park Service (NPS) are proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 24, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection request (ICR) by mail to Phadrea Ponds, NPS Information Collection Clearance Officer, National Park Service, 1201 Oakridge Drive Fort Collins, CO 80525; or by email to phadrea_ponds@nps.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1024–0038 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Seth Tinkham, Grants Management Specialist, State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division or by email at stlpg@nps.gov; or by telephone at 202–354–2020. Individuals who are hearing or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), all information collections require approval under the PRA. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we invite the public and other Federal agencies 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 especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

(1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

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

(4) How might the agency 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 technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of response.

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: This collection is authorized by Section 101(b) of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, (54 U.S.C. 302301), which specifies the role of States, Tribes, and local governments in the NHPP Program. This information collection has an impact on State, Tribal, and local governments that wish to participate formally with the National Park Service in the National Historic Preservation Partnership (NHPP). Information is also requested to meet grant management and monitoring of responsibilities for States, Tribes, local government, and other eligible grant recipients under 54 U.S.C. 300101 *et seq.* and 2 CFR 200.

Each year Congress directs the NPS to use part of the annual appropriation from the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) for the State grant program and the Tribal grant programs to assist States and Tribes in carrying out their statutory role in the National Historic Preservation Program. Through competitive grant programs, Congress also directs NPS to provide financial assistance to a variety of eligible grant

recipients to support the broad cultural resource mandates of the National Historic Preservation Act and for other purposes.

The information from this collection is required to evaluate whether or not State, Tribal, and local governments meet minimum standards and requirements for participation in the National Historic Preservation Program; and to meet program specific requirements as well as government-wide requirements for Federal grant programs.

The NPS uses the information collected to ensure compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, as well as government-wide grant requirements issued and implemented through 43 CFR part 12 and 2 CFR 200.

Title of Collection: Procedures for State, Tribal, and Local Government Historic Preservation Programs; 36 CFR 61.

OMB Control Number: 1024–0038.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: State, Tribal, local governments, and grant applicants or recipients who wish to participate formally in the National Historic Preservation Program and/or who wish to apply for Historic Preservation Fund grant assistance.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 2,229.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 43,108.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: Varies from .25 hours to 166 hours depending on activity.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 40,761.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: On occasion, depending on the grant program.

Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost: None.

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

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