The Fair Housing Act, as amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, makes it unlawful to discriminate in the sale, rental, occupancy, advertising, or insuring of residential dwellings on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, family status, or disability. The Fair Housing Act also applies to the sale, rent, occupancy, and advertising of properties insured under the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.) or insured under the Federal National Mortgage Association (Fannie Mae) (12 U.S.C. 1431 et seq.).

A. Overview of Information Collection

Proposed Revised Title of Information Collection: Housing Discrimination Claim Form.

OMB Control Number: 2529–0011.

Type of Request: Proposed reinstatement, with revised title and minor text revisions, of an expired, previously approved information collection.

Form Number: HUD–903.1.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: HUD uses the Housing Discrimination Claim Form HUD–903.1 (Form) to collect pertinent information from persons wishing to file housing discrimination complaints with HUD under the Fair Housing Act. The Fair Housing Act makes it unlawful to discriminate in the sale, rental, occupancy, advertising, or insuring of residential dwellings; or to discriminate in residential real estate-related transactions; or in the provision of brokerage services, based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin. The Fair Housing Act also makes it unlawful to coerce, intimidate, threaten, or interfere with anyone who has exercised their housing rights; or to aid or encourage another person to exercise their housing rights.

Any person who claims to have been injured by a discriminatory housing practice, or any person who believes that they will be injured by a discriminatory housing practice, may file a complaint with HUD not later than one year after the discriminatory housing practice occurs or terminates. The Form promotes consistency in the collection of information necessary to contact persons who file housing discrimination complaints with HUD. It also aids in the collection of information necessary for initial assessments of HUD’s authority to investigate alleged discriminatory housing practices under the Fair Housing Act. This information may subsequently be provided to persons against whom complaints are filed (“respondents”), as required under section 810(a)(1)(B)(ii) of the Fair Housing Act.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: Form HUD–903.1A (Spanish), Form HUD–903.1B (Chinese), Form HUD–903.1C (Arabic), Form HUD–903.1F (Vietnamese), Form HUD–903.1CAM (Cambodian), Form HUD–903.1KOR (Korean), Form HUD–903.1RUS (Russian), and Form HUD–903–1 (Somali).

Members of affected public: Individuals or households; businesses, or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Governments.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection, including the number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of responses: During FY 2020, HUD staff received approximately 21,846 information submissions from persons wishing to file housing discrimination complaints with HUD. Of this total, HUD received 1,298 complaint submissions by telephone. The remaining 20,548 complaint submissions were transmitted to HUD by mail, in-person, by email, and via the internet. HUD estimates that an aggrieved person requires approximately 45 minutes in which to complete this Form. The Form is completed once by each aggrieved person. Therefore, the total number of annual burden hours for this Form is 15,411 hours. 20,548 × 1 (frequency) × .45 minutes (.75 hours) = 15,411 hours.

Annualized cost burden to complainants: HUD does not provide postage-paid mailers for this information collection. Accordingly, aggrieved persons choosing to submit this Form to HUD by regular mail must pay the United States Postal Service’s (USPS) prevailing First Class Postage rate. As of the date of this Notice, the annualized cost burden per person, based on a one-time submission of this Form to HUD via the USPS’s First Class Postage rate, is Fifty-five Cents ($0.55) per person. During FY 2020, FHEO staff received approximately 1,533 submissions of potential complaint information by mail. Based on this number, HUD estimates that the total annual cost burden for aggrieved persons who submit this Form to HUD by mail is $843.00. Aggrieved persons may also submit this Form to HUD in person, by facsimile, by email, or electronically via the internet.

Status of the proposed information collection: Proposed reinstatement, with revised title and minor text revisions, of an expired, previously approved collection of pertinent information from persons wishing to file Fair Housing Act complaints with HUD.

B. Solicitation of Public Comments

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 information collection is necessary for the performance of the agency’s functions;
2. Whether the agency’s estimate of burden imposed by the information collection is accurate;
3. Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. Ways to minimize the burdens of the information collection on aggrieved persons, including 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 comments in response to these questions.

C. Authority


Erik Heins,
Director, Enforcement Support Division,
FHEO.

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ADDRESS: 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: Anna Guido, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone 202–402–5535 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Anna.P.Guido@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: Virginia Sardone, Office of Affordable Housing Programs, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 7162, Washington, DC 20410–4500; telephone 202–402–4606 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at Virginia.Sardone@hud.gov. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Guido.

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: HOME Investment Partnerships Program.
OMB Approval Number: 2506–0171.
Type of Request: Revision of Approved Collection.
Form Number: SF 1199A, HUD 27055.
Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The information collected through HUD’s Integrated Disbursement and Information System (IDIS) (24 CFR 92.502) is used by HUD Field Offices to assess the effectiveness of locally designed programs in meeting specific statutory requirements and by Headquarters in preparing the Annual Report to Congress. Specifically, these reports permit HUD to determine compliance with the requirement that PJs provide a 25 percent match for HOME funds expended during the Federal fiscal year (Section 220 of the Act) and that program income be used for HOME eligible activities (Section 219 of the Act), as well as the Women and Minority Business Enterprise requirements (24 CFR 92.351(b)).

Financial, project, tenant, and owner documentation are used to determine compliance with HOME Program cost limits (Section 212(e) of the Act), eligible activities (24 CFR 92.205), and eligible costs (24 CFR 92.206), as well as to determine whether PJs are complying with the income targeting and affordability requirements of the Act (Sections 214 and 215 of the Act). Other information collected under Subpart H of Part 92 (Other Federal Requirements) is primarily intended for local program management and is only viewed by HUD during routine monitoring visits. The written agreement with the owner for long-term obligation (24 CFR 92.504) and tenant protections (24 CFR 92.253) are required to ensure that the property owner complies with these important elements of the HOME Program and are also reviewed by HUD during monitoring visits. HUD reviews all other data collection requirements during monitoring to assure compliance with the requirements of the Act and other related laws and authorities.

HUD tracks PJ performance and compliance with the requirements of 24 CFR parts 91 and 92. PJs use the required information in the execution of their program, and to gauge their own performance in relation to stated goals. HUD is revising its existing HOME Program PRA to reflect additional funding appropriated for the HOME program under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (Pub. L. 117–2) (ARP). ARP provides $5 billion to assist individuals or households who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, and in other vulnerable populations by providing affordable rental housing, rental assistance, supportive services, and non-congregate shelter, to reduce homelessness and increase housing stability across the country. These additional grant funds are known as HOME-American Rescue Plan or HOME-ARP. Usage of these additional grant funds will increase the reporting burden hours for participating jurisdictions. This burden includes collecting new and/or additional information related for new activities funded with HOME-ARP that serve individuals or families who are homeless, as defined in section 103(a) of the McKinney-Veto Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11302(a)); at risk of homelessness, as defined in section 401(1) of the McKinney-Veto Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11360(1)); fleeing or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking or human trafficking; in other populations where providing supportive services or assistance under section 212(a) of the Act (42 U.S.C. 12742(a)) would prevent the family’s homelessness or would serve those with the greatest risk of housing instability. This burden includes making the information available to HUD for monitoring the performance of participating jurisdictions and ensuring compliance with the HOME-ARP implementing notice (the “HOME-ARP Notice”) and applicable HOME program requirements in 24 CFR part 92.

Respondents: State and local government PJs and consortia, including insular areas.

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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; and

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.

C. Authority

for purposes of publication in the Federal Register.

Aaron Santa Anna,
Federal Register Liaison, Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Draft Habitat Conservation Plan and Draft Categorical Exclusion for the Vintage Ranch Project; Santa Barbara County, California

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a draft habitat conservation plan (HCP) and draft categorical exclusion screening form for activities described in an application for an incidental take permit (ITP) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. The ITP would authorize take of a listed species incidental to construction of a residential development in the community of Orcutt within Santa Barbara County, California. The applicants developed the draft HCP in support of their application for an ITP. The Service prepared a draft categorical exclusion screening form in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to evaluate the potential effects to the natural and human environment resulting from issuing an ITP to the applicants. We invite public comment on these documents.

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before July 26, 2021.

ADDRESS: To obtain documents: You may download a copy of the draft HCP and categorical exclusion screening form at http://www.fws.gov/ventura/, available in “Latest News Stories” under the “News Room” tab, or you may request copies of the documents by sending U.S. mail to our Ventura office (address below), or by phone (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

To submit written comments: Please send us your written comments by one of the following methods:

• U.S. mail: Stephen P. Henry, Field Supervisor, Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura, CA 93003.
• Email: rachel_henry@fws.gov

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rachel Henry, Biologist, by email, via the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 for TTY assistance, or by mail to the Ventura Fish and Wildlife office (by mail; see ADDRESSES).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of a draft habitat conservation plan (HCP) and associated draft categorical exclusion screening form, submitted by Vintage Ranch Orcutt, LLC (applicant) with an application for an ITP. The permit would authorize take of the federally endangered Santa Barbara County distinct population segment (DPS) of the California tiger salamander (Ambystoma californiense) incidental to activities described in the HCP for the construction of an approximately 15-acre residential development within a 33-acre lot in the community of Orcutt within Santa Barbara County, California. The applicant developed a draft HCP as part of their application for an ITP under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.). The Service prepared a draft categorical exclusion screening form in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) to evaluate the potential effects to the natural and human environment resulting from issuing an ITP to the applicants. We invite public comment on these documents.

Background

The Service listed the Santa Barbara County DPS of the California tiger salamander as endangered on September 21, 2000 (65 FR 57242). Section 9 of the ESA prohibits take of fish and wildlife species listed as endangered (16 U.S.C. 1538). Under the ESA, “take” is defined to include the following activities: “to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct” (16 U.S.C. 1532). Under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1539(a)(1)(B)), we may issue permits to authorize take of listed fish and wildlife species that is incidental to, and not the purpose of, carrying out an otherwise lawful activity. Regulations governing incidental take permits for endangered species are in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.22. Issuance of an ITP also must not jeopardize the existence of federally listed fish, wildlife, or plant species, pursuant to section 7 of the ESA and 50 CFR 402.02. The permittee would receive assurances under our “No Surprises” regulations (50 CFR 17.22(b)(5)).

Applicants’ Proposed Activities

The applicant has applied for a 20-year term permit for incidental take of the Santa Barbara County DPS of the California tiger salamander. The take would occur in association with the construction of a residential development and associated activities such as vegetation removal, site grubbing, and grading for proposed development. The proposed development and all associated disturbance areas would be sited on approximately 15 acres of a 33-acre property.

The HCP includes avoidance and minimization measures for the Santa Barbara County DPS of the California tiger salamander and mitigation for unavoidable loss of habitat. As mitigation for habitat loss, the applicant proposes to purchase credits from a Service-approved mitigation bank.

Public Availability of Comments

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 view, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Authority

We provide this notice under section 10(c) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 17.22) and NEPA (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and its implementing regulations (40 CFR 1506.6).

Stephen Henry,
Field Supervisor, Ventura Fish and Wildlife Office, Ventura, California.

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