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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 27, 1998, the Department of Housing and Urban Development published a statement of policy regarding disclosure of mortgage loan sales information (63 FR 10031). The February, 1998, notice set forth the Department's policy pertaining to the release of records regarding those bids that the Department or its contractors had received to date under its mortgage loan sale program. The notice stated that, when requested to provide records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), the Department would produce relevant records in its files including, where available: (1) All potential bidders receiving bid materials; (2) all successful bidders and their successful bids and the mortgage loans attributable to such bids; (3) all unsuccessful bidders and their unsuccessful bids and the mortgage loans attributable to such bids; (4) the aggregate proceeds the Department received from the sale; and (5) the aggregate number of bidders.

This notice serves as the business submitter notice authorized by 24 CFR 15.54 of the Department's FOIA regulations. The purpose of this notice is to provide bidders the opportunity to object to disclosure of their bids under the FOIA. Bidders shall have 10 working days from the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** to provide the Department a detailed written statement of their objections to disclosure of the bid information under the FOIA. Such statement shall specify all grounds for withholding the information and shall demonstrate why the bid information is a trade secret or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential. Conclusory statements that the information would be useful to competitors or similarly conclusory statements generally will not be considered sufficient to justify confidential treatment. Bidders should submit their statements to the agency contact identified in this notice.

The Department will carefully consider a submitter's objections before determining whether to disclose the information. If the Department decides to disclose the information over the objections of the submitters, the Department will advise the submitter in a written notice its intent to disclose the information 10 working days before the specified disclosure date.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 552; 24 CFR 15.54; E.O. 12600, 52 FR 23781, 3 CFR, 1987 Comp., p. 235.

Dated: June 22, 1998.

Ira Peppercorn,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing—Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4363-N-01]

Announcement of OMB Approval Number for Economic Development Initiatives (EDI/BEDI) Grant Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

ACTION: Announcement of OMB Approval Number.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce the OMB approval number for the collection of information pertaining to the Super Notice of Funding Availability for the Economic Development and Empowerment Programs: the Economic Development Initiative (EDI) and for the Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) Grant Programs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Either Stan Gimont or Paul Webster, Financial Management Division, Office of Block Grant Assistance, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-1871. This is not a toll-free number.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), this notice advises that OMB has responded to the Department's request for approval of the information collection pertaining to the Economic Development Initiative (EDI) and for the Brownfields Economic Development Initiative (BEDI) Grant Programs. The OMB approval number for this information collection is 2506-0153, which expires June 30, 2001.

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.

Dated: June 26, 1998.

Kenneth Williams,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Grant Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Endangered Species Permit Applications

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of permit applications.

SUMMARY: The following applicants have applied for a scientific research permit to conduct certain activities with endangered species pursuant to section 10 (a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 USC 1531 *et seq.*).

Permit No. 825572

Applicant: Jeff Dreier.

The applicant requests a permit to take (translocate cysts) the vernal pool tadpole shrimp (*Lepidurus packardii*) in conjunction with inoculating created habitat for the purpose of enhancing its survival in Alameda County, California.

Permit No. 702631

Applicant: Assistant Regional Director-Ecological Services, Region 1, Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (capture, handle, band, radio-tag, and release; haze, relocate, and kill) the peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus*) throughout the species range in conjunction with scientific research and management activities on peregrine falcons, especially with regard to their interactions with California least tern (*Sterna albifrons browni*) colonies and western snowy plovers (*Charadrius alexandrinus nivosus*) and take (collect for captive propagation, harass, handle) the Quino checkerspot butterfly (*Euphydryas editha quino*) in conjunction with scientific research throughout the species range for the purpose of enhancing their survival.

Permit No. 745541

Applicant: S. J. M. Consultants, San Diego, California.

The applicant requests a permit to take (survey using taped vocalizations) the Yuma clapper rail (*Rallus longirostris yumanensis*) in conjunction with surveys in Imperial County, California, for the purpose of enhancing its survival.

Permit No. 787376

Applicant: Peter Bloom, Santa Ana, California.

The applicant requests a permit amendment to take (harass through