

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

Title: Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation, Planning, Protection, or Restoration.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0459.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 1,405.

Number of Respondents: 69.

Average Hours per Response: State plans, 120 hours; plan revisions, 35 hours; project proposals, 15 hours; final applications, 3 hours and 30 minutes; and reporting, 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The FY 2002 Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations Act directed the Secretary of Commerce to establish a Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP) to protect important areas that have significant conservation, recreation, ecological, historical, or aesthetic values, or that are threatened by conversion, and to issue guidelines for this program delineating the criteria for grant awards (16 U.S.C. 1456d). The guidelines establish procedures for eligible applicants, who choose to participate in the program, to use when developing state conservation plans, proposing or soliciting projects under this program, applying for funds and carrying out projects under this program in a manner that is consistent with the purposes of the program. NOAA also has, or is given, authority under the Coastal Zone Management Act, annual appropriations or other authorities, to issue funds to coastal states and localities for planning, conservation, acquisition, protection, restoration, or construction projects. This information collection will enable NOAA to implement the CELCP, under its current or future authorization, and facilitate the review of similar projects under different, but related authorities.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Frequency: Semi-annually and one time.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: April 17, 2009.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Institute of Standards and Technology****Proposed Information Collection;
Comment Request; SURF (Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship) Program Student Applicant Information**

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DOC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on the continuing and proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 22, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to the attention of Terrell Vanderah, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 8520, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, tel. (301) 975-5785, or terrell.vanderah@nist.gov. In addition, written comments may be sent via e-mail to terrell.vanderah@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The purpose of this collection is to gather information needed for the SURF (Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship) Program. The information will be provided by student applicants and will be described in the Proposal Review Process and Evaluation Criteria sections of the **Federal Register** Notice for the SURF Program. The information will be used by the Program Directors and technical evaluators and is needed to determine eligible students, select students for the program, and place selected students in appropriate research projects that match their needs, interests, and academic preparation. The information includes: student name, host institution, e-mail address/contact information, home address, class standing, first- and second-choice of NIST laboratories they wish to apply to, academic major/minor, current overall GPA, need for housing and gender (for housing purposes only), availability dates, resume, personal statement of commitment and research interests, two letters of recommendation, academic transcripts, and ability to verify U.S. citizenship or permanent legal residency.

II. Method of Collection

The Student Application Information Form will be available on the Web; the collection is currently limited to paper form but can be submitted as hardcopy or scanned and submitted via e-mail.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0693-0042.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 200.

Estimated Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 50.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, e.g., the use of

automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 17, 2009.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) 2010 Re-Engineered SIPP—Dress Rehearsal

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before June 22, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Patrick J. Benton, Census Bureau, Room HQ-6H045, Washington, DC 20233-8400, (301) 763-4618.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau will be conducting a dress rehearsal for the Re-engineered SIPP from January to March of 2010. The SIPP is a household-based survey designed as a continuous series of national panels. The Re-engineered SIPP design is a revision of the 2008 Panel SIPP Instrument, in which respondents were interviewed at 4-

month intervals or “waves” over the life of the panel. The current 2008 Panel was molded around a central “core” of labor force and income questions that remain fixed throughout the life of the panel and then supplemented with questions designed to address specific needs called “topical modules.” Examples of these topical modules include Medical Expenses, Child Care, Retirement and Pension Plan Coverage, Marital History, and others.

In contrast, the new Re-engineered SIPP will interview respondents in one year intervals, using the previous calendar year as the reference period. The content of the Re-engineered SIPP will match that of the 2008 Panel SIPP very closely. The Re-engineered SIPP will not contain free-standing topical modules. However, a portion of the 2008 Panel topical module content will be integrated into the Re-engineered SIPP interview. The Re-engineered SIPP will use an Event History Calendar (EHC), which records dates of events and spells of coverage. The EHC should provide increased accuracy to dates reported by respondents.

The SIPP represents a source of information for a wide variety of topics and allows information for separate topics to be integrated to form a single, unified database so that the interaction between tax, transfer, and other government and private policies can be examined. Government domestic policy formulators depend heavily upon the SIPP information concerning the distribution of income received directly as money or indirectly as in-kind benefits and the effect of tax and transfer programs on this distribution. They also need improved and expanded data on the income and general economic and financial situation of the U.S. population, which the SIPP has provided on a continuing basis since 1983. The SIPP has measured levels of economic well being and permitted changes in these levels to be measured over time.

The 2010 Re-engineered SIPP dress rehearsal will be conducted from January 2010 to March 2010. Approximately 8,000 households are selected for the 2010 Re-engineered SIPP dress rehearsal, of which, 5,120 households will likely be interviewed. We estimate that each household contains 2.0 people aged 15 and above, yielding approximately 10,240 person-level interviews in the dress rehearsal. Interviews take 30 minutes on average. The total annual burden for 2010 Re-engineered SIPP dress rehearsal interviews would be 5,120 hours in FY 2010.

In addition, we will be conducting practice interviews for 2010 Re-engineered SIPP Field Representatives (FR) in November and December of 2009. These practice interviews will consist of 200 Field Representatives interviewing 3 households of two persons each at 30 minutes per interview. The resulting burden hours for the practice interviews are 600 burden hours.

II. Method of Collection

The 2010 Re-engineered SIPP dress rehearsal instrument will consist of one household interview, which will reference the calendar year 2009. The interview is conducted in person with all household members 15 years old or over using regular proxy-respondent rules.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number: SIPP/CAPI Automated Instrument.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 11,440 people.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes per person on average.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 5,720.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The only cost to respondents is their time.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Section 182.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.