Over 3,000 small businesses have been targeted for this event. If you are a small business interested in working with the Department, we urge you to register online at: https://www.fbo.gov and attend the workshop.

These outreach events are a new and exciting opportunity for the Department’s bureaus and offices to improve their support for small business. Additional scheduled events are posted on the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization Web site at www.doi.gov/osdibu.

Debra Glass,
Director (Acting), Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

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Information Collection Extension


ACTION: Notice of an extension of an information collection (1028–0090).

SUMMARY: We (the U.S. Geological Survey) will ask the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the information collection (IC) described below. To comply with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and as part of our continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, we invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this IC. This collection is scheduled to expire on May 31, 2013.

DATES: You must submit comments on or before May 7, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on this information collection to the Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 807, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); (703) 648–7199 (fax); or smbaloche@usgs.gov (email). Please Reference Information 1028–0090 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information please contact Charles Mandeville at (703) 648–4773 or by email at cmandeville@usgs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

During FY13 and FY15, the Volcano Hazards Program (VHP) will provide funding for improvement of the volcano and other monitoring systems and other monitoring-related activities that contribute to mitigation of volcano hazards. This notice concerns the collection of information that is sufficient and relevant to evaluate and select proposals for funding under the VHP. We will accept proposals from State geological surveys and academic institutions requesting funds to assist in the monitoring of active volcanoes and to conduct volcano-related research. Financial assistance will be awarded on a competitive basis following the evaluation and ranking of State and academic proposals. VHP proposals will be reviewed by a peer panel of six (6) members. Five (5) members will be Department of the Interior representatives; and one (1) member will be an external representative. To submit a proposal, you must follow the written guideline (that will be made available at www.Grants.gov) and complete a project narrative. The application must be submitted via Grants.gov. Grant recipients must complete a final technical report at the end of the project period. Narrative and report guidance is available through http://volcanoes.usgs.gov/ and at www.Grants.gov.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1028–0090.

Title: Volcano Hazards Program (VHP).

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Respondent Obligation: Required to receive benefits.

Frequency of Collection: Annually.

Description of Respondents: State Geological Surveys and academic institutions.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 20 applications and 12 final reports.

Estimated Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping “Hour” Burden: 706 hours. We expect to receive approximately 20 applications. It will take each applicant approximately 35 hours to complete the narrative and present supporting documents. This includes the time for project conception and development, proposal writing, reviewing, and submitting the proposal application through Grants.gov (totaling 700 burden hours). We anticipate awarding 12 grants per year. The award recipients must submit a final report at the end of the project. We estimate that it will take approximately 8 hours to complete the requirement for that report (totaling 96 hours).

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping “Non-Hour Cost” Burden: There are no “non-hour cost” burdens associated with this collection of information.

III. Request for Comments

Public Disclosure Statement: The PRA (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.) provides that an agency 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.

Comments: We are soliciting comments as to: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the agency to perform its duties, including whether the information is useful; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) how to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) how to minimize the burden on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Please note that the comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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 we will be able to do so.

Dated: March 1, 2013.

Charles Mandeville,
Program Coordinator for Volcano Hazards.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Federal Acknowledgment of Tribes

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs is seeking comments on the renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the collection of information for Federal Acknowledgment of Tribes authorized by OMB Control Number 1076–0104.
This information collection expires July 31, 2013.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 7, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collection to R. Lee Fleming, Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment, Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, 1951 Constitution Avenue NW., MS—34B SIB, Washington, DC 20240; facsimile: (202) 219–3008; email: Lee.Fleming@bia.gov.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs is seeking renewal of the approval for the information collection conducted under 25 CFR part 83, to establish whether a petitioning group has the characteristics necessary to be acknowledged as having a government-to-government relationship with the United States. Federal recognition makes the group eligible for benefits from the Federal Government. Approval for this collection expires July 31, 2013. Three forms are used as part of this information collection.

II. Request for Comments

The Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs requests your comments on this collection concerning: (a) The necessity of this information collection 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 (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Ways we could enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents.

Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the ADDRESSES section. 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.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 1076–0104.

Title: Documented Petitions for Federal Acknowledgment as an Indian Tribe, 25 CFR 83.

Brief Description of Collection: Submission of this information allows Office of Federal Acknowledgment (OFA) to review applications for the Federal acknowledgment of a group as an Indian tribe. The acknowledgment regulations at 25 CFR part 83 contain seven criteria that unrecognized groups seeking Federal acknowledgment as Indian tribes must demonstrate that they meet. Information collect from petitioning groups under these regulations provide anthropological, genealogical and historical data used by the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs to establish whether a petitioning group has the characteristics necessary to be acknowledged as having a government-to-government relationship with the United States. Respondents are not required to retain copies of the information submitted to OFA but will probably maintain copies for their own use; therefore, there is no recordkeeping requirement included in this information collection.

Type of Review: Extension without change of currently approved collection.

Respondents: Groups petitioning for Federal acknowledgment as Indian tribes.

Number of Respondents: 10 per year, on average.

Number of Responses: 10 per year, on average.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Estimated Time per Response: 2,075 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 20,750 hours.

Dated: March 4, 2013.

John Ashley,
Acting Assistant Director for Information Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Indian Health Service

Extension, Without Changes of Agency Information Collection for Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Contracts

AGENCIES: Bureau of Indian Affairs, DOI, and Indian Health Service, HHS.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, which requires 60 days for public comment on proposed information collection projects, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and the Indian Health Service (IHS) are publishing for comment, a summary of a proposed information collection, titled “Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Contracts, 25 CFR part 900,” to be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review. The information is collected to process contracts, grants or cooperative agreements (contracts) for award by BIA and IHS, as authorized by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA), as amended (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.). This previously approved information collection (OMB Control Number 1076–0136) expires May 31, 2013.

DATES: Submit comments on or before May 7, 2013.

Send Comments To: You may submit comments regarding the BIA information collection activities (OMB Control No. 1076–0136) to Terry Parks, Division Chief, BIA Office of Indian Services, 1849 C Street NW., Mail Stop 4513, Washington, DC 20240; send via facsimile to (202) 208–5113; or send via email to Terrence.Parks@bia.gov.

Comments relating to the IHS information collection activities (OMB Control No. 1076–0136) may be sent to Roselyn Tso, Acting Director, IHS Office of Direct Services and Contracting Tribes (ODSCT), 801 Thompson Ave., Ste. 220, Rockville, MD 20852; send via facsimile to (301) 443–4446; or send via email to Roselyn.Tso@ihs.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Terry Parks through the methods listed in the above section or by calling (202) 513–7625 regarding the BIA information collection activities; or Roselyn Tso through the methods listed in the above section or by calling (301) 443–4446; or send via email to Roselyn.Tso@ihs.gov.