Title of Information Collection: FHA TOTAL (Technology Open to Approved Lenders) Mortgage Scorecard.
OMB Approval Number: 2502–0556.
Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.
Form Number: None.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: FHA TOTAL (Technology Open to Approved Lenders) Mortgage Scorecard.

OMB Approval Number: 2502–0556.
Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.
Form Number: None.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The regulation mandating this collection can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations at 24 CFR 203.255(b)(5). This information is necessary to assure that lenders (and automated underwriting system (AUS) vendors) are aware of their obligations regarding use of the TOTAL Mortgage Scorecard and are certifying that they will comply with all pertinent regulations. It also allows FHA to request reports from lenders regarding their use of the scorecard, that they have implemented appropriate quality control procedures for using the scorecard, and provides an appeal mechanism should FHA take an action to terminate a lender’s use of the scorecard.

Respondents: Business or other for profit.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 2709.
Estimated Number of Responses: 100.
Frequency of Response: On Occasion.
Average Hours per Response: 0.2.
Total Estimated Burdens: 100.

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;

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.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Alternative Inspections—Housing Choice Voucher Program.

OMB Approval Number: 2577–New.

Type of Request: New collection.

Form Number: None.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Under the Section 8 housing choice voucher rule, PHAs that elect to rely on an alternative inspection are required to meet the requirements of subpart I of the rule. If the inspection method and standard selected is other than HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) program, Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTCs), or that performed by HUD, the PHA must submit a request to HUD. PHAs with approved alternative inspection standards must monitor changes to the standards and requirements of their method and if changes are made must submit to HUD a copy of the revised standards and requirements along with a revised comparison to Housing Quality Standards (HQS).

Respondents (i.e., affected public): State, Local or Tribal Governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2280.

Estimated Number of Responses: 33.

Frequency of Response: 1.

Average Hours per Response: 4.

Total Estimated Burden: 149 hours.

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;

(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.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Additional Clarifying Guidance, Waivers, and Alternative Requirements for Grantees in Receipt of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery Grant Funds Under the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice provides clarifying guidance, waivers, and alternative requirements for Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG–DR) grantees in receipt of funds under the Disaster Relief Appropriations Act, 2013 (the Appropriations Act). This notice modifies requirements for projects funded by the HUD-sponsored Rebuild by Design (RBD) competition, described in Federal Register notices published on July 29, 2013 (78 FR 45551); August 23, 2013 (78 FR 52560); October 16, 2014 (79 FR 62182); and May 11, 2015 (80 FR 26942). These changes will allow RBD grantees to submit their required subsequent Action Plan amendments before the RBD project’s design has been finalized, the draft environmental impact statement has been completed and permits for the project have been issued. Additionally, this notice modifies requirements of a notice published on March 5, 2013 (78 FR 14329), to allow grantees to submit Action Plan amendments after June 1, 2017. This notice also modifies requirements for infrastructure projects funded through the allocation of CDBG–DR funds for Hurricane Sandy. Specifically, this notice provides waivers and alternative requirements for certain infrastructure projects funded by the State of New York, including the Breezy Point Storm Drainage system, as well as for New York City’s Raised Shorelines program. The notice also provides a waiver of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (HCDAs) to authorize the State of New Jersey to use up to $30 million of CDBG–DR funds for the provision of up to 21 months of rental assistance for