ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

DATES: Comments Due Date: June 18, 2018.

ADDRESSES: 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: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone 202–402–3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Colette.Pollard@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 toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For copies of the proposed forms and other available information contact Jessica V. Grantling, Office of Housing Assistance and Grants Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410 by email Jessica.V.Grantling@hud.gov telephone at 202–402–2521. (This is not a toll-free number.) 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. Pollard.

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: Congregate Housing Services Program. OMB Approval Number: 2502–0485. Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.


Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Completion of the Annual Report by grantees provides HUD with essential information about whom the grant is serving and what sort of services the beneficiaries receive using grant funds. The Summary Budget and the Annual Program Budget make up the budget of the grantee’s annual extension request. Together the forms provide itemized expenses for anticipated program costs and a matrix of budgeted yearly costs. The budget forms show the services funded through the grant and demonstrate how matching funds, participant fees, and grant funds will be used in tandem to operate the grant program. Field staff approve the annual budget and request annual extension funds according to the budget. Field staff can also determine if grantees are meeting statutory and regulatory requirements through the evaluation of this budget.

HUD will use the Payment Voucher to monitor use of grant funds for eligible activities over the term of the grant. The Grantee may similarly use the Payment Voucher to track and record their requests for payment reimbursement for grant-funded activities.

Respondents: Non-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 49.

Estimated Number of Responses: 392.

Frequency of Response: Semi-annually to annually.

Average Hours per Response: 2.

Total Estimated Burdens: 612.5.

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.

We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the USGS; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the USGS enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the USGS minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. 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 may 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.

Abstract: This notice concerns the collection of information to inform evaluation and selection of proposals for NGGDPP funding. Annual NGGDPP data preservation priorities are provided in the Program Announcement. Proposals are accepted from state geological surveys requesting funds to inventory, preserve, and make publicly available geoscience collections and data. Financial assistance is awarded annually on a competitive basis following the evaluation and ranking of state proposals by a review panel composed of representatives from the Department of the Interior, state geological surveys, and academic and museum institutions. Since its inception in 2007, NGGDPP has awarded 46 states $7,043,000, which, when matched or exceeded by the states, amounts to over $14 million invested in the rescue and preservation of valuable geoscientific samples and data for research. To submit a proposal, respondents must complete a project narrative and submit the application via www.grants.gov.

Grant recipients must complete a final technical report at the end of the project period. Narrative and report guidance is available at http://datapreservation.usgs.gov and in the Program Announcement. Information provided by respondents is proprietary under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552), implementation regulations (43 CFR part 2), and data and information public disclosure limitations (30 CFR 250.197). Responses are voluntary. Information about NGGDPP-funded projects conducted by state geological surveys is available to the public at http://datapreservation.usgs.gov.

Title of Collection: National Geological and Geophysical Data Preservation Program (NGGDPP) Grant Announcement Opportunity.
OMB Control Number: 1028–0087.
Form Number: NA.
Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.
Respondents/Affected Public: All state geological surveys may apply for NGGDPP grants.
Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 35.
Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 70 (35 applications, 35 final technical report submissions).
Estimated Completion Time per Response: Grant application time estimate is 80 hours; final technical report completion time estimate is 10 hours.
Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 3,150.
Respondent’s Obligation: Required to Obtain a Benefit.
Frequency of Collection: Annually.
Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Burden Cost: None.
An agency may not conduct or sponsor a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authorities for this action are the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Geological Survey, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the USGS; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the USGS enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the USGS minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

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