

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
2577-0157	30	3	90	41.78	3,760	\$157.65	\$592,750
Total

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.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

Dated: February 24, 2016.

Colette Pollard,

*Department Reports Management Officer,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5916-N-04]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Public Housing Annual Contributions Contract and Inventory Removal Application

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, PIH, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of revised proposed information collection.

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.

The public housing program funds low-rent projects owned and operated by public housing agencies (PHAs), subject to the terms and conditions contained in an Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) with certain requirements applicable to all projects and other requirements applicable in only certain conditions or types of projects. These program requirements govern how properties are funded and operated by PHAs including how properties are added or removed from their inventories. Information collections from PHAs assure compliance with all Federal program requirements.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* May 2, 2016.

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 202-402-5564 (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 the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Arlette Mussington, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives, PIH, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., (L'Enfant Plaza, Room 2206), Washington, DC 20410; telephone 202-402-4109, (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Mussington.

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: Public Housing Annual Contributions Contractor and Inventory Removal Application.

OMB Approval Number: 2577-0075.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Form Number: HUD-51999; HUD-52190A; HUD-52190B; HUD-52840-A; HUD-53012A, HUD-53012B, HUD 52860, HUD 52860-B, HUD 52860-C; HUD 52860-D; HUD 52860-E, and HUD 52860-F, HUD-52860-G, HUD-5838 and HUD-5837.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: HUD previously amended this information collection to consolidate all information that PHAs are required to submit to HUD in connection with their contractual duties to operate public housing dwelling units and other real property under the U.S. Housing Act of 1937. Section 5 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (Pub. L. 75-412, 50 Stat. 888) permits the Secretary of HUD to make annual contributions to public housing agencies (PHAs) to achieve and maintain the lower income character of public housing projects. The Secretary is required to embody the provisions for such annual contributions in a contract guaranteeing payment. Applicable regulations are 24 CFR 941 for public housing development and 24 CFR 969 for continued operation of low-income housing after completion of debt service. This information collection also covers Public Housing Authority (PHA) submissions under Sections 18, 22, 33 and 32 that involve the authority of the HUD Secretary to approve PHA requests to remove certain public housing property from their inventories through demolition, disposition, voluntary conversion, required conversion, or homeownership conveyance, conversion through the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program (RAD) (authorized by the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2012), and any other HUD approved action that will remove Public Housing units from the ACC.

This amendment of this collection does two things. First, it adds submission requirements (HUD-52860-G) for when a PHA may choose to voluntarily apply to HUD to retain non-dwelling public housing real property

free from public housing use restrictions under the Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) and Declaration of Trust (DOT) pursuant to 2 CFR 200.311(c)(1). HUD considers retentions under this section of part 200 a “removal” of public housing real property even though the PHA will be retaining ownership of the property since the property will no longer be subject to public housing use restrictions. HUD will only approve retention requests when non-dwelling property is no longer needed for its originally authorized purpose. Second, it adds new submission requirements (HUD-5838 and HUD-5837) to collect information from any PHA who intends to remove all of its public housing dwelling units from its inventory (through any available law or HUD program, which may include Sections 18, 22, 33, 32 of the U.S. Housing Act

of 1937 or the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) program) and will alert HUD to its future plans for either termination of the public housing ACC or development of new dwelling units. Please note that a PHA who removes all public housing dwelling units will be instructed to fill out either HUD-5838 or HUD-5837, not both. HUD will use the information collected in HUD-5838 to review any PHA requests for expending Operating or Capital Funds for eligible closeout activities, for extension on closeout activities, for provision of technical assistance to the PHA during its required closeout activities, and determine eligibility for the Asset Repositioning Fee (ARF) or Demolition or Disposition Transitional Funding (DDTF). HUD will use the information in HUD-5837 to monitor compliance with the Public Housing ACC following removal of all dwelling

units, to provide relevant technical assistance to the PHA, and to determine eligibility for the Asset Repositioning Fee (ARF) or Demolition or Disposition Transitional Funding (DDTF). In addition, this information request will assist HUD in maintaining accurate records of the federal public housing stock.

The functions and activities for Public Housing Annual Contributions Contractor, under OMB control number 2577-0270, has been combined with the Public Housing Inventory Removal Application, currently approved collection 2577-0075. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approved discontinuation of OMB Control Number, 2577-0270.

Respondents: Public housing agencies.

ACC Provision	Total responses	Total hours	Cost per hour	(\$) Total cost
1. Execute new ACC via HUD form 53012-A and B	42	205	\$24.34	\$4,990
2. Terminate or amend ACC	78	390	24.34	9,493
3. Request HUD approval of non-dwelling leases or agreements	114	735	24.34	17,890
4. HUD approval for easement uses	48	3,524	24.34	8,567
5. Submit General Depository Agreement (GDA) via form HUD 51999	265	651	24.34	15,845
6. Request to terminate GDA	107	202	24.34	4,917
7. ACC revisions to change year end dates	23	257	24.34	6,255
8. ACC to consolidate PHAS	18	217	24.34	5,282
9. ACC revision to transfer programs	43	391	24.34	9,517
10. Request review of Conflict of interest	102	951	24.34	23,147
11. Request pooling of insurance	5	97	24.34	2,361
12. Request for new Declaration of Trust (DOT) via form HUD 52190-A and B	142	1,249	24.34	30,400
13. Request DOT amendment or termination	221	2,031	24.34	49,435
14. Amend ACC for Capital Fund Finance via form HUD 52840-A	73	788	24.34	19,180
15. Amend ACC for Mixed Finance Supplementary Legal Document	94	1,981	50	99,050
16. Amend ACC for Capital Grant	2,820	11,070	24.34	269,443
17. Amend ACC for Emergency Capital Fund Grant	38	100	24.34	2,434
18. Amend ACC Capital Fund for Safety and Security	75	96	24.34	2,337
19. Amend ACC to Recapture Capital Fund Grant	123	643	24.34	15,650
20. Amend ACC for Energy Performance Contract	38	192	24.34	4,673
21. Amend ACC for Community Facilities Grants	13	28	24.34	682
22. Demo Disposition Approvals and Removing Units form ACC-HUD Form 52860	162	1,746	24.34	42,498
23. Chicago Special Applications Center Approval for Inventory Removal Applications	851	6,010	33.06	225,072
24. Supplementary Document: Unique Legal Document used by HQ Staff Mixed-Finance Amendment to the ACC	60	1,440	50	72,000
Totals	6,765	34,944	927,423

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

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(2) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

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information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

Date: February 23, 2016.

Merrie Nichols-Dixon,

Deputy Director, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

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Agency Information Collection

Activities: Request for Comments

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Interior.

ACTION: Notice of an extension of an information collection (1028-0051).

SUMMARY: We (the U.S. Geological Survey) are notifying the public that we have submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) the information collection request (ICR) 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 ICR. This collection is scheduled to expire on April 30, 2016.

DATE: To ensure that your comments on this ICR are considered, OMB must receive them on or before March 31, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Please submit written comments on this information collection directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior via email: (*OIRA_SUBMISSION@omb.eop.gov*) or fax at 202-395-5806; and identify your submission with 'OMB Control Number 1028-0051 Earthquake Hazards Program Research and Monitoring'. Please also forward a copy of your comments and suggestions 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 *gs-info_collections@usgs.gov* (email). Please reference 'OMB Control Number 1028-0051 Earthquake Hazards Program Research and Monitoring' in all correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Thomas Pratt, Earthquake Hazards Program, U.S. Geological Survey, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Mail Stop 905, Reston, VA 20192 (mail); 703-648-6709 (phone); or *tpratt@usgs.gov* (email). You

may also find information about this ICR at *www.reginfo.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Research and monitoring findings are essential to fulfilling USGS's responsibility under the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Act to develop earthquake hazard assessments and recording earthquake activity nationwide. Residents, emergency responders, and engineers rely on the USGS for this accurate and scientifically sound information. The Earthquake Hazards Program funds external investigators to carry out these important activities. In response to our Program Announcements investigators submit proposals for research and monitoring activities on earthquake hazard assessments, earthquake causes and effects, and earthquake monitoring. This information is used as the basis for selection and award of projects meeting the USGS's Earthquake Hazards Program objectives. Final reports of research and monitoring findings are required for each funded proposal; annual progress reports are required for awards of a two- to five-year duration. Final reports are made available to the public at the Web site *http://earthquake.usgs.gov/research/external/*.

II. Data

OMB Control Number: 1028-0051.

Form Number: N/A.

Title: Earthquake Hazards Program Research and Monitoring.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

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

Frequency of Collection: Annually and once every two to five years.

Description of Respondents: Research scientists, engineers, and the general public.

Estimated Total Number of Annual Responses: 350 responses in total, consisting of 250 applications and narratives and 100 annual and final reports.

Estimated Time per Response: 45 hours per proposal application response and 12 hours per final or annual progress report.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 12,450 (11,250 hours per application and 1200 hours per final or annual progress report).

Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping "Non-Hour Cost" Burden: There are no "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this IC.

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. Until the OMB approves a collection of information, you are not obliged to respond.

Comments: On November 5, 2015, we published a **Federal Register** notice (80 FR 68557) announcing that we would submit this ICR to OMB for approval and soliciting comments. The comment period closed on January 4, 2016. We received no comments.

III. Request for Comments

We again invite comments concerning this ICR 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 comments submitted in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your personal mailing address, phone number, email address, or other personally identifiable information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personally identifiable information, may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us and the OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

William Leith,

Senior Science Advisor for Earthquake and Geologic Hazards.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meetings for the John Day-Snake Resource Advisory Council

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972, and the U.S.