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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Olympic Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Olympic PIEC Advisory Committee will meet on August 2, 1996 at the Northwest Forest Resources Office, 3033 Ingram Street, Hoquiam, Washington. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue until 3 p.m. Agenda topics are: (1) Cooperative Fire Protection; (2) Watershed Restoration Projects and Priority Setting; (3) Rechartering of Province Advisory Committee and New Members; (4) Update on timber and other programs on the Quinault District; (5) Northwest Forest Plan Monitoring Process; (6) Open Forum; and (7) Public Comments. All Olympic Province Advisory Committee Meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct questions regarding this meeting to Kate Snow, Province Liaison, USDA, Quilcene Ranger District, P.O. Box 280, Quilcene, WA 98376, (360) 765-2211 or Ronald R. Humphrey, Forest Supervisor, at (360) 956-2301.

Dated: July 9, 1996.

Ann Stratton,  
Budget and Finance Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Education.

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Information Resources Group, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 13, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U. S. C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Director of the Information Resources Group publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g., new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment at the address specified above. Copies of the requests are available from Patrick J. Sherrill at the address specified above.

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

Dated: July 9, 1996.

Gloria Parker,

Director, Information Resources Group.

Office of Intergovernmental and Interagency Affairs

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Title:* The Exchange Visitor Waiver Review Guidelines—Waiver Board Guidelines.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Affected Public:* Not-for-profit institutions; State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

*Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:* Responses: 25.

Burden Hours: 38.

*Abstract:* The Exchange Visitor Waiver Review Board makes requests to the U.S. Information Agency (USIA) for waiver of the two-year home residency requirement for exchange visitors who have been granted J1 visas. The guidelines and applications, subject to Office of Management and Budget clearance, will be used by educational or rehabilitative institutions or organizations that apply to the Department of ED to act as interested agency and request waiver of the two-year home requirement on behalf of an exchange visitor. Also, as a result of regulation reinvention efforts, the Federal Regulations governing this process will be eliminated October 1, 1996.

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### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

**AGENCY:** Education.

**ACTION:** Submission for OMB review; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Director, Information Resources Group, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 14, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Wendy Taylor, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503. Requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

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Dated: July 9, 1996.  
Gloria Parker,  
*Director, Information Resources Group.*  
Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

*Type of Review:* New.  
*Title:* Application for Grants Under the Innovative Programs Section of the Magnet Schools Assistance Program.  
*Frequency:* Annually.  
*Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal Gov't, SEAs and LEAs.  
*Annual Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden:*

Responses: 150.  
Burden Hours: 3,600.  
*Abstract:* The application is used by local educational agencies to apply for funds to administer innovative programs under the Magnet Schools Program. The proposed projects must involve strategies other than magnet schools, be organized around a special emphasis, theme, or concept, and involve parent and community input.

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#### **Office of Postsecondary Education; Federal Perkins Program Expanded Lending Option**

**AGENCY:** Education.  
**ACTION:** Notice of deadline of submission of institutional agreement for participation in the Federal Perkins Program Expanded Lending Option.

**SUMMARY:** This notice establishes the deadline for submission of the "Institutional Agreement For Participation In the Federal Perkins Loan Program Expanded Lending Option (ELO)" (ELO Participation Agreement) by those eligible institutions that elect to participate in the Federal Perkins Loan Program ELO in the 1996-97 award year (the period from July 1, 1996 through June 30, 1997).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Federal Perkins Loan Program provides low-interest loans to financially needy students attending institutions of higher education to help them pay their educational costs. The ELO is available for the 1996-97 award year for institutions of higher education that participate in the Federal Perkins Loan Program.

To be eligible to participate in the Federal Perkins Loan Program ELO for 1996-97, an institution must have had a Federal Perkins Loan cohort rate of 15 percent or less as of June 30, 1995, and must have participated in the Federal Perkins Loan Program for the two previous award years (1994-95 and

1995-96). In addition, an institution must enter into a special ELO Participation Agreement with the Secretary. An institution that elects to participate in the ELO must complete, sign, date and submit the ELO Participation Agreement by the deadline date to obtain approval.

Institutions that become Federal Perkins Loan Program ELO participants will be required to increase the Institutional Capital Contribution (ICC) to at least a dollar-for-dollar match with any portion of the 1996-97 award year Federal Capital Contribution (FCC) received. Only new FCC received on or after July 1, 1996, would be matched at the increased rate. Institutions would not match funds received prior to July 1, 1996, at the higher rate.

Institutions that become Federal Perkins Loan Program ELO participants may make loans to eligible students at higher maximum annual and aggregate limits than is the case with nonparticipating institutions. ELO participating institutions that do not ultimately make any loans at the higher ELO levels for the 1996-97 award year must still honor the ELO Participation Agreement to deposit in the Federal Perkins Loan Program Fund an ICC at least equal to the 1996-97 award year FCC deposited into the Fund. All other administrative procedures would remain the same as for institutions not participating in the Federal Perkins Loan Program ELO.

**DATES:** *Closing Date for Transmittal of ELO Participation Agreement:* To ensure participation in the Federal Perkins Loan Program ELO in the 1996-97 award year, an eligible institution that elects to participate must submit its ELO Participation Agreement by August 1, 1996.

*ELO Participation Agreement Delivered By Mail:* An ELO Participation Agreement delivered by mail must be addressed to the U.S. Department of Education, Student Financial Assistance Programs, Institutional Financial Management Division, Campus-Based Financial Operations Branch, 600 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 4714 Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-5458.

An institution must show proof of mailing its ELO Participation Agreement by the closing date. Proof of mailing consists of one of the following: (1) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service, (2) a legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark, (3) a dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier, or (4) any other proof of mailing acceptable to the U.S. Secretary of Education.