

Dated: March 8, 2004.

LaVerne Y. Stringfield,

*Director, Office of Federal Advisory
Committee Policy.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-3195-EM]

New York; Emergency and Related Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the State of New York (FEMA-3195-EM), dated March 3, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 3, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated March 3, 2004, the President declared an emergency declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the impact in certain areas of the State of New York, resulting from the record/near record snow on January 28-31, 2004, is of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5206 (Stafford Act). I, therefore, declare that such an emergency exists in the State of New York.

In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes, such amounts as you find necessary for Federal disaster assistance and administrative expenses.

You are authorized to provide emergency protective measures under the Public Assistance program to save lives, protect public health and safety, and property. Other forms of assistance under Title V of the Stafford Act may be added at a later date, as you deem appropriate. You are further authorized to provide this emergency assistance in the affected areas for a period of 48 hours. You may extend the period of assistance, as warranted.

This assistance excludes regular time costs for sub-grantees' regular employees.

Assistance under this emergency is authorized at 75 percent Federal funding for eligible costs.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Under Secretary for Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Marianne C. Jackson, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared emergency.

I do hereby determine the following areas of the State of New York to have been affected adversely by this declared emergency:

Cayuga, Lewis, Oneida, and Oswego counties for emergency protective measures (Category B) under the Public Assistance program for a period of 48 hours.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.036, Disaster Assistance.)

Michael D. Brown,

Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[FEMA-1510-DR]

Oregon; Amendment No. 1 to Notice of a Major Disaster Declaration

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice amends the notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Oregon (FEMA-1510-DR), dated February 19, 2004, and related determinations.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 4, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magda Ruiz, Recovery Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The notice of a major disaster declaration for the State of Oregon is hereby amended to include the following areas among those areas determined to have been adversely affected by the catastrophe declared a major disaster by the President in his declaration of February 19, 2004:

Harney and Wheeler Counties for Public Assistance.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund Program; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services Program; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance; 97.048, Individual and Household Housing; 97.049, Individual and Household Disaster Housing Operations; 97.050 Individual and Household Program-Other Needs; 97.036, Public Assistance Grants; 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.)

Michael D. Brown,

Under Secretary, Emergency Preparedness and Response, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4903-N-11]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB: Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Program—NOFA

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

This is a request for renewal of approval to the collect information through applications for award of grants for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Program and to monitor performance of grantees to ensure they meet statutory and program goals and requirements.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* April 14, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval number (2506-0122) should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; Fax number (202) 395-6974; E-mail Melanie_Kadlic@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management

Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, Southwest, Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Wayne_Eddins@HUD.gov; telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of the proposed forms and other available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department has submitted the proposal for the collection of information, as described below, to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The Notice lists the following information: (1) The title of the information collection proposal; (2) the office of the agency to collect the information; (3) the OMB approval number, if applicable; (4) the description of the need for the

information and its proposed use; (5) the agency form number, if applicable; (6) what members of the public will be affected by the proposal; (7) how frequently information submissions will be required; (8) an estimate of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information submission including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response; (9) whether the proposal is new, an extension, reinstatement, or revision of an information collection requirement; and (10) the contact information of an agency official familiar with the proposal and the OMB Desk Officer for the Department.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Program—NOFA.

OMB Approval Number: 2506-0122.

Form Numbers: SF-424, HUD-414B, HUD-424CB, SF-LLL, HUD-2880, HUD-2990, HUD-2991, HUD-2993, HUD-23004, HUD-2994, HUD-96010, and HUD-40067-HBCU.

Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use: This is a request for renewal of approval to collect information through applications for award of grants for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Program and to monitor performance of grantees to ensure they meet statutory and program goals and requirements.

Respondents: Individuals or household, Not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency of Submission: On occasion, quarterly, semi-annually.

| | Number of respondents | Annual responses | × | Hours per response | = | Burden hours |
|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---|--------------------|---|--------------|
| Reporting Burden | 105 | 5.76 | | 54.54 | | 33,000 |

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 33,000.

Status: Reinstatement, with change, of previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

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

Dated: March 8, 2004.

Wayne Eddins,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Letters of Authorization To Take Marine Mammals

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of Letters of Authorization to take marine mammals incidental to oil and gas industry activities.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 101(a)(5)(A) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service implementing regulations (50 CFR 18.27(f)(3)), notice is hereby given that the following Letters of Authorization to take polar bears incidental to oil and gas industry exploration activities in the Beaufort Sea and adjacent northern coast of Alaska have been issued to the following companies:

| Company | Activity | Location | Date issued |
|----------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Carbon 1 | Dec. 11, 2003. |
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Grandview 2 | Dec. 11, 2003. |
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Kokoda 1 & 2 | Dec. 11, 2003. |
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Powerline 1 | Dec. 11, 2003. |
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Summit 2 | Dec. 11, 2003. |
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Scout 1 | Dec. 11, 2003. |
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Spark 4 & 8 | Dec. 11, 2003. |
| ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc | Exploration | Placer 1, 2, & 3 | Dec. 29, 2003. |
| Fairweather Geophysical | Exploration | Harrison Bay and Nanuq S. | Dec. 29, 2003. |
| TotalFinaElf E&P USA, Inc | Exploration | NPR-A | Dec. 29, 2003. |
| BP Exploration (Alaska) | Production | Greater Prudhoe Bay Units | Dec. 31, 2003. |
| Anadarko Petroleum Corp | Exploration | Hot Ice #1 | Jan. 1, 2004. |

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Craig Perham at the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Marine Mammals Management Office, 1011 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503, (800) 362-5148 or (907) 786-3810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Letter of Authorization is issued in accordance with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Federal Rules and Regulations "Marine Mammals; Incidental Take During Specified Activities (68 FR 66744; November 28, 2003)".

Dated: February 24, 2004.

Rowan W. Gould,

Regional Director.

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