

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD has submitted the proposed information collection requirement described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The purpose of this notice is to allow for an additional 30 days of public comment.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* March 9, 2015.

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: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202-395-5806. Email: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov or telephone 202-402-3400. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the information collection described in Section A.

The **Federal Register** notice that solicited public comment on the information collection for a period of 60 days was published on August 22, 2014.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: 2015 American Housing Survey.

OMB Approval Number: 2528-0017.

Type of Request: Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection.

Form Number: None.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The purpose of the American Housing Survey (AHS) is to supply the public with detailed and timely information about housing quality, housing costs, and neighborhood assets, in support of effective housing policy, programs, and markets. Title 12, United States Code, Sections 1701Z-1, 1701Z-2(g), and 1710Z-10a mandates the collection of this information.

Like the previous surveys, the 2015 AHS will collect “core” data on subjects

such as the amount and types of changes in the housing inventory, the physical condition of the housing inventory, the characteristics of the occupants, housing costs for owners and renters, the persons eligible for and beneficiaries of assisted housing, remodeling and repair frequency, reasons for moving, the number and characteristics of vacancies, and characteristics of resident's neighborhood.

In addition to the “core” data, HUD plans to collect “topical” data using a series of topical modules. The topics include: Potential health and safety hazards in the home, modifications made to assist occupants living with disabilities, food insecurity, the use of housing counseling services, and the presence of arts and cultural opportunities in the community.

For the first time since 1985, HUD will draw new national and metropolitan area longitudinal samples for the AHS. The national longitudinal sample will consist of approximately 82,950 housing units, and will include oversample from the largest 15 metropolitan areas and approximately 5,250 HUD-assisted housing units. In addition to the national longitudinal sample, HUD plans to conduct 25 metropolitan area samples, each with approximately 3,000 housing units (for a total 75,000 housing units). Lastly, HUD plans to conduct a “bridge” sample of 9,000 households from the 2013 AHS. The bridge sample will allow for estimation of longitudinal changes between 2013 and 2015, and facilitates analyses of the impact of survey design changes on 2015 AHS estimates. Policy analysts, program managers, budget analysts, and Congressional staff use AHS data to advise executive and legislative branches about housing conditions and the suitability of public policy initiatives. Academic researchers and private organizations also use AHS data in efforts of specific interest and concern to their respective communities.

HUD needs the AHS data for two important uses.

1. With the data, policy analysts can monitor the interaction among housing needs, demand and supply, as well as changes in housing conditions and costs, to aid in the development of housing policies and the design of housing programs appropriate for different target groups, such as first-time home buyers and the elderly.

2. With the data, HUD can evaluate, monitor, and design HUD programs to improve efficiency and effectiveness.

Members of affected public: Households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 166,950.

Estimated Time Per Response: 40 minutes.

Frequency of Response: One time every two years.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 111,300.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The only cost to respondents is that of their time. The total estimated cost is \$64,500,000.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13 U.S.C. Section 9(a), and Title 12, U.S.C., Section 1701z-1 *et seq.*

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: January 28, 2015.

Colette Pollard,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

[FWS-HQ-IA-2015-N030;
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Endangered Species; Receipt of Applications for Permit

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of receipt of applications for permit.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless Federal authorization is acquired that allows such activities.

DATES: We must receive comments or requests for documents on or before March 9, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Division of Management Authority, Branch of Permits, MS: IA, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041; fax (703) 358-2281; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Tapia, (703) 358-2104 (telephone); (703) 358-2281 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Comment Procedures

A. How Do I Request Copies of Applications or Comment on Submitted Applications?

Send your request for copies of applications or comments and materials concerning any of the applications to the contact listed under **ADDRESSES**. Please include the **Federal Register** notice publication date, the PRT-number, and the name of the applicant in your request or submission. We will not consider requests or comments sent to an email or address not listed under **ADDRESSES**. If you provide an email address in your request for copies of applications, we will attempt to respond to your request electronically.

Please make your requests or comments as specific as possible. Please confine your comments to issues for which we seek comments in this notice, and explain the basis for your comments. Include sufficient information with your comments to allow us to authenticate any scientific or commercial data you include.

The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are: (1) Those supported by quantitative information or studies; and (2) Those that include citations to, and analyses of, the applicable laws and regulations. We will not consider or include in our administrative record comments we receive after the close of the comment period (see **DATES**) or comments delivered to an address other than those listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

B. May I Review Comments Submitted by Others?

Comments, including names and street addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the street address listed under **ADDRESSES**. The public may review documents and other information applicants have sent in support of the application unless our allowing viewing would violate the Privacy Act or Freedom of Information Act. 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 can 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.

II. Background

To help us carry out our conservation responsibilities for affected species, and in consideration of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), along with Executive Order 13576, “Delivering an Efficient, Effective, and Accountable Government,” and the President’s Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Departments and Agencies of January 21, 2009—Transparency and Open Government (74 FR 4685; January 26, 2009), which call on all Federal agencies to promote openness and transparency in Government by disclosing information to the public, we invite public comment on these permit applications before final action is taken.

III. Permit Applications

A. Endangered Species

Applicant: Natural Encounters, Winter Haven, FL; PRT-37015B

The applicant requests a permit to export one captive-bred female Andean condor (*Vultur gryphus*) for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species through captive propagation.

Applicant: Honolulu Zoo, Honolulu, HI; PRT-43192B

The applicant requests a permit to import 20 captive-born Chinese giant salamander (*Andrias davidianus*) for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 1-year period.

Applicant: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta GA; PRT-42312B

The applicant requests a permit to import common chimpanzee (*Pan troglodytes*) biological samples from wild species for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 1-year period.

Applicant: Fauna & Flora International, Inc., Washington, DC; PRT-46740B

The applicant requests a permit to import wild Siamese crocodile (*Crocodylus siamensis*) samples for the purpose of scientific research. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Application: Caldwell Zoo, Tyler, TX; PRT-MA678171

The applicant request renewal of a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following families and species to enhance the species’ propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Families

Equidae
Felidae
Lemuridae
Rhinocerotidae
Tapiridae

Species

Asian elephant (*Elephas maximus*)
Golden parakeet (*Guarouba guarouba*)
Galapagos giant tortoise (*Chelonoidis nigra*)

Application: Tonya Bryson, Winston, GA; PRT-42334B

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for radiated tortoise (*Astrochelys radiata*) to enhance the species propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Don Do, Daly City, CA; PRT-47211A

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for Galapagos Giant tortoise (*Chelonoidis nigra*) and radiated tortoise (*Astrochelys radiata*) to enhance the species’ propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Applicant: Wildlife in Need & Wildlife in Deed, Inc., Charlestown, IN; PRT-51552B

The applicant requests a captive-bred wildlife registration under 50 CFR 17.21(g) for the following species to enhance the species' propagation or survival. This notification covers activities to be conducted by the applicant over a 5-year period.

Species

Black and white ruffed lemur (*Varecia variegata*)
 Red ruffed lemur (*Varecia rubra*)
 Brown lemur (*Eulemur fulvus*)
 Ring-tailed lemur (*Lemur catta*)
 Cottontop tamarin (*Saguinus oedipus*)
 Lar gibbon (*Hylobates lar*)
 Leopard (*Panthera pardus*)

Multiple Applicants

The following applicants each request a permit to import the sport-hunted trophy of one male bontebok (*Damaliscus pygargus pygargus*) culled from a captive herd maintained under the management program of the Republic of South Africa, for the purpose of enhancement of the survival of the species.

Applicant: Nello Cooper, Fairbanks, AK; PRT-46638B

Applicant: Albert Seeno, Concord, CA; PRT-53980B

Applicant: Janice Simpson, Fort Worth, TX; PRT-56026B

Applicant: James DeBlasio, Boise, ID; PRT-55130B

Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Public Meeting, Eastern Montana Resource Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (FACA), the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Eastern Montana Resource Advisory Council (RAC) will meet as indicated below.

DATES: The Eastern Montana Resource Advisory Council meeting will be held on March 12, 2015 in Billings, Montana. The meeting will start at 8:00 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Billings Hampton Inn, 5110 Southgate Drive, Billings, MT 59101.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Jacobsen, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM Eastern Montana/Dakotas District, 111 Garryowen Road, Miles City, Montana, 59301; (406) 233-2831; mjacobse@blm.gov. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-677-8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week to leave a message or a question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 15-member Eastern Montana Resource Advisory Council advises the Secretary of the Interior through the BLM on a variety of planning and management issues associated with public land management in Montana. At this meeting the agenda will include: RAC member and BLM staff introductions, a Pumpkin Creek subcommittee progress report, a report on the February RAC chair meeting, individual RAC member reports to BLM managers, Eastern Montana/Dakotas District, Miles City Field Office and Billings Field Office progress reports and other issues the RAC may choose to discuss during the course of the meeting. This meeting is open to the public and will have time allocated for hearing public comments. The public may also present written comments to the council. Depending on the number of persons wishing to comment and the time available, the time for individual oral comments may be limited. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance, such as sign language interpretation, tour transportation or other reasonable accommodations should contact the BLM as provided above.

Authority: 43 CFR 1784.4-2.

Diane M. Friez,

Eastern Montana/Dakotas District Manager.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

[NPS-WASO-NAGPRA-17330; PPWOCRADNO-PCU00RP14.R50000]

Notice of Intent To Repatriate Cultural Items: Beneski Museum of Natural History, Amherst College, Amherst, MA

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Beneski Museum of Natural History, Amherst College (formerly the Pratt Museum of Natural History), in consultation with the appropriate Indian tribes or Native Hawaiian organizations, has determined that the cultural items listed in this notice meet the definition of unassociated funerary objects. Lineal descendants or representatives of any Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to claim these cultural items should submit a written request to the Beneski Museum of Natural History, Amherst College. If no additional claimants come forward, transfer of control of the cultural items to the lineal descendants, Indian tribes, or Native Hawaiian organizations stated in this notice may proceed.

DATES: Lineal descendants or representatives of any Indian tribe or Native Hawaiian organization not identified in this notice that wish to claim these cultural items should submit a written request with information in support of the claim to the Beneski Museum of Natural History, Amherst College at the address in this notice by March 9, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Tekla A. Harms, NAGPRA Coordinator, Beneski Museum of Natural History, Amherst College, Amherst, MA 01002, telephone (413) 542-2233, email taharms@amherst.edu.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is here given in accordance with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 25 U.S.C. 3005, of the intent to repatriate cultural items under the control of the Beneski Museum of Natural History, Amherst College that meet the definition of unassociated funerary objects under 25 U.S.C. 3001.

This notice is published as part of the National Park Service's administrative responsibilities under NAGPRA, 25 U.S.C. 3003(d)(3). The determinations in this notice are the sole responsibility of the museum, institution, or Federal agency that has control of the Native American cultural items. The National Park Service is not responsible for the determinations in this notice.