

Succession supersedes the Order of Succession for the Assistant Secretary for Administration published on October 18, 2006.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* October 28, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Michelle Gaston, Director, Office of Budget and Management Support, Office of Administration, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 6210, Washington, DC 20410-3000, telephone number 202-708-1583. (This is not a toll-free number.) For individuals with speech or hearing impairments, this number may be accessed through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service number at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Assistant Secretary for Administration is issuing this Order of Succession of officials authorized to perform the duties and functions of the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration when, by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in the office, the Assistant Secretary for Administration is not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of the office. This Order of Succession is subject to the provisions of the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d). This publication supersedes the Order of Succession notice published on October 18, 2006 (71 FR 61498).

Accordingly, the Assistant Secretary for Administration designates the following Order of Succession:

**Section A. Order of Succession**

Subject to the provisions of the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998, during any period when, by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office, the Assistant Secretary for Administration is not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration, the following officials within the Office of Administration are hereby designated to exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Assistant Secretary for Administration:

- (1) General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration;
- (2) Deputy Assistant Secretary for Human Resource Management;
- (3) Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget and Management Support;
- (4) Director, Office of Security and Emergency Planning;
- (5) Director, Office of Human Resource Management;
- (6) Director, Office of Field Administrative Resources.

The officials shall perform the functions and duties of this office in the

order specified herein, and no official shall serve unless all the other officials whose position titles precede his or hers in this order, are unable to act by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office.

**Section B. Authority Superseded**

This Order of Succession supersedes the Order of Succession for the Assistant Secretary for Administration published on October 18, 2006 (71 FR 61498).

**Authority:** Section 7(d), Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(d)).

Dated: October 28, 2008.

**Keith A. Nelson,**

*Assistant Secretary for Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5187-N-61]

**Public Housing Capital Fund Program**

**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.

Each year Congress appropriates funds to approximately 3,200 Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) for modernization, development, financing, and management improvements. The funds are allocated based on a complex formula. The forms in this collection are used to appropriately disburse and utilize the funds provided to PHAs. Additionally, these forms provide the information necessary to approve a financing transaction in addition to any Mixed-Finance and Capital Fund Financing transactions. Respondents include the approximately 3,200 PHA receiving Capital Funds and other PHAs wishing to pursue financing.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* December 15, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Approval Number (2577-0157) and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New

Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202-395-6974.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lillian Deitzer, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Lillian.Deitzer@HUD.gov or *Lillian L. Deitzer@HUD.gov* or telephone (202) 402-8048. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Deitzer.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the Information collection described below. This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate 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) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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.

This notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Public Housing Capital Fund Program.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2577-0157.

*Form Numbers:* HUD-50029, HUD-50030, HUD-5084, HUD-5087, HUD-51000, HUD-51001, HUD-51002, HUD-51003, HUD-51004, HUD-51915, HUD-51915-A, HUD-51971-1, HUD-51971-1I, HUD-52396, HUD-52427, HUD-52482, HUD-52483-A, HUD-52484, HUD-52485, HUD-52651-A, HUD 52829, HUD-52830, HUD-52832, HUD-52833, HUD-52845, HUD-52846, HUD-52847, HUD-52849, HUD-53001, HUD-53015, HUD-5370, HUD-5370-EZ, HUD-5370-C, HUD-5372, HUD-5378, HUD-5460.

*Description of the Need for the Information and its Proposed Use:* Each year Congress appropriates funds to approximately 3,200 Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) for modernization, development, financing, and management improvements. The funds are allocated based on a complex formula. The forms in this collection are

used to appropriately disburse and utilize the funds provided to PHAs. Additionally, these forms provide the information necessary to approve a

financing transaction in addition to any Mixed-Finance and Capital Fund Financing transactions. Respondents include the approximately 3,200 PHA

receiving Capital Funds and other PHAs wishing to pursue financing.  
*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion, monthly, annually.

REPORTING BURDEN

Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
3,105 .....	23.460	....	4.497	....	327,590

*Total Estimated Burden Hours:* 327,590.

*Status:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

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

Dated: November 6, 2008.

**Lillian L. Deitzer,**

*Departmental Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

[FWS-R1-ES-2008-N0115; 10120-1113-0000-C2]

**Revised Recovery Plan for Sihek or Guam Micronesian Kingfisher (*Halcyon cinnamomina cinnamomina*)**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of document availability.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announces the availability of the Revised Recovery Plan for the Sihek or Guam Micronesian Kingfisher (*Halcyon cinnamomina cinnamomina*). This subspecies, which was found only on the island of Guam, was federally listed as endangered in 1984.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the recovery plan are available by request from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife Office, 300 Ala Moana Boulevard, Room 3-122, Box 50088, Honolulu, Hawaii 96850 (phone: 808-792-9400). An electronic copy of the recovery plan is also available at <http://endangered.fws.gov/recovery/index.html#plans>. Printed copies of the recovery plan will be available for distribution in 4 to 6 weeks.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Fred Amidon, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife Office, at the above address.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

Recovery of endangered or threatened animals and plants is a primary goal of the Endangered Species Act (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and our endangered species program. Recovery means improvement of the status of listed species to the point at which listing is no longer required under the criteria in section 4(a)(1) of the Act. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimate time and cost for implementing the measures needed for recovery.

The Act requires the development of recovery plans for endangered or threatened species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of the species. Recovery plans help guide the recovery effort by describing actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, and estimating time and cost for implementing the measures needed for recovery.

Section 4(f) of the Act requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. In fulfillment of this requirement, the Draft Revised Recovery Plan for the Sihek or Guam Micronesian Kingfisher (*Halcyon cinnamomina cinnamomina*) was made available for public comment from April 28 to June 28, 2004 (69 FR 23210). Information provided during the public comment period was considered in our preparation of this revised recovery plan, and is summarized in an appendix to the plan.

The sihek, or Guam Micronesian kingfisher, is federally listed as endangered and is also listed as endangered by the Territory of Guam. Sihek are endemic to the island of Guam in the Mariana archipelago. Sihek were last observed in the wild on Guam in 1988 and are now believed to be extirpated from the wild. Currently, sihek are represented by a captive population of 100 individuals in 17 captive propagation facilities in the mainland United States and Guam.

Sihek utilized a wide variety of habitats including limestone forest, strand forest, ravine forest, agricultural forest, secondary forest, and forest openings. However, mature forests with appropriate nest sites may be an important component of sihek reproductive activities.

Habitat degradation and loss, human persecution, contaminants, and introduced species such as disease organisms, cats (*Felis catus*), rats (*Rattus spp.*), black drongos (*Dicrurus macrocercus*), monitor lizards (*Varanus indicus*), and brown tree snakes (*Boiga irregularis*) have all been suggested as factors in the population decline of this subspecies. However, predation by the brown tree snake is believed to be the overriding factor in the extirpation of sihek. Factors that continue to prevent the recovery of the sihek include poor reproductive success and high mortality in the captive population and the continued presence of brown tree snakes on Guam. Recovery actions in this revised plan are designed to address threats to the sihek to achieve the recovery objectives of downlisting to threatened status and then eventually delisting (removing from the list of endangered and threatened species).

To prevent the extinction of the sihek, the highest priority recovery tasks are to increase the size of the captive population, control brown tree snakes on Guam, and reestablish sihek in the wild on Guam. Increasing the captive population is to be accomplished by expanding the captive propagation program for the subspecies on Guam, genetic management, increasing reproductive success of the captive population, and decreasing juvenile and adult mortality in the captive population. Ideally, reestablishing sihek in the wild on Guam will occur after the captive population has increased further and optimal numbers of sihek are available for release to keep the captive population viable. However, if efforts to either increase the captive population or control brown tree snakes are not successful, it may be necessary to reevaluate the recovery strategy for the sihek. Reintroduction to Guam will