

*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:* Request Voucher for Grant Payment and Line of Credit Control System (LOCCS) Voice Response System Access Authorization.

*OMB control number, if applicable:* 2535-0102.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* Payment request vouchers for distribution of grant funds using the automated Voice Response System (VRS). An

authorization form is submitted to establish access to the voice activated payment system.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* HUD-27053, HUD-27054.

*Members of affected public:* Not-for-profit institutions, State, Local or Tribal government.

*Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:*

*Frequency of submission:* On occasion.

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden .....	2,420	116		0.170		47,722

*Total estimated burden hours:* 47,722.  
*Status of the proposed information collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Authority:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 18, 2010.

**Leroy McKinney Jr.,**

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5376-N-18]

**Notice of Proposed Information; Collection: Comment Request; HUD Initiative for the Removal of Regulatory Barriers**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be 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.

**DATES:** *Comments due: May 24, 2010.*

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding

this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number (2535-0120) and should be sent to: Leroy McKinney Jr., Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410; telephone: 202-402-5564, (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail Mr. McKinney at [Leroy.McKinneyJr@HUD.gov](mailto:Leroy.McKinneyJr@HUD.gov) for a copy of the proposed form and other available information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Leroy McKinney Jr., Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410; telephone: 202-402-5564, (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail Mr. McKinney at [Leroy.McKinneyJr@HUD.gov](mailto:Leroy.McKinneyJr@HUD.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

*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:* HUD Initiative for the Removal of Regulatory Barriers.

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* 2535-0120.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* This information is to be submitted by grant applicants to obtain higher rating points based on association with successful efforts to remove regulatory barriers which may impede the production of affordable housing.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* HUD-27300.

*Members of Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, Not-for-profit institutions, State, Local or Tribal government.

*Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:*

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden: .....	8,500	1			3	25,500

*Total Estimated Burden Hours:*  
25,500.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Authority:* Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: March 18, 2010.

**Leroy McKinney Jr.,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

#### Notice of Proposed Renewal of Information Collection: OMB Control Number 1093-0004, Take Pride in America Program

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Secretary, Department of the Interior (DOI), announces that it has submitted a request for proposed extension of an information collection to the Office of Management and Budget and requests public comments on this submission.

**DATES:** OMB has up to 60 days to approve or disapprove the information collection request, but may respond after 30 days; therefore, public comments should be submitted to OMB by *April 26, 2010*, in order to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your written comments by facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or e-mail (*OIRA\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov*) to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Department of the Interior Desk Officer (1093-0004). Also, please send a copy of your comments to U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Take Pride in America, Attn. Lisa Young, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Mailstop 3559 MIB, Washington, DC 20240, or via e-mail to *lisa\_young@ios.doi.gov*. Individuals providing comments should reference OMB control number 1093-0004, "Take Pride in America National Awards Application/Nomination Process."

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information on

this information collection should be directed to Lisa Young at U.S.

Department of the Interior, Office of the Secretary, Take Pride in America, 1849 C Street, NW., Mailstop 3559 MIB, Washington, DC 20240. You may also request further information by e-mail at *lisa\_young@ios.doi.gov* or call (202) 208-7586.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320, which implement the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13), require that interested members of the public and affected parties have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection activity that the Office of the Secretary, Take Pride in America has submitted to OMB for renewal.

*Under the Take Pride in America Program Act (the Act), 16 U.S.C. 46-01-4608, the Secretary of the Interior is to:* (1) "Conduct a national awards program to honor those individuals and entities which, in the opinion of the Secretary \* \* \* have distinguished themselves in activities" under the purposes of the Act, and also to (2) "establish and maintain a public awareness campaign in cooperation with public and private organizations and individuals—(A) To instill in the public the importance of the appropriate use of, and appreciation for Federal, State and local lands, facilities, and natural and cultural resources; (B) to encourage an attitude of stewardship and responsibility towards these lands, facilities, and resources; and (C) to promote participation by individuals, organizations, and communities of a conservation ethic in caring for these lands, facilities, and resources." The Act states that "[t]he Secretary is authorized \* \* \* generally to do any and all lawful acts necessary or appropriate to further the purposes of the TPIA Program."

If this information were not collected from the public, Take Pride in America awards would be limited to individuals and organizations nominated by Federal agencies based on projects within their sphere of influence. This would effectively block many worthy individuals and organizations from being considered for these awards. The TPIA Program was launched in April of 2003 with the stated intent of honoring the best in the Nation, without restriction. It would reflect poorly on the Department and on the President if only volunteers to Federal agencies

could be honored for their service to America.

The OMB granted a three-year extension on March 22, 2007. This Office is now planning to extend the information collection approval authority in order to enable the Department of the Interior to continue to comply with the Take Pride in America Act, 16 U.S.C. 4601-4608.

##### II. Data

(1) *Title:* Take Pride in America National Awards; Application/Nomination Process.

*OMB Control Number:* 1093-0004.

*Current Expiration Date:* March 31, 2010.

*Type of Review:* Information Collection Renewal.

*Affected Entities:* Individuals or households. Businesses and other institutions. State, local and tribal Governments.

*Estimated annual number of respondents:* 130.

*Frequency of response:* On occasion.

(2) *Annual reporting and record keeping burden:*

*Average annual reporting burden per respondent:* 1 hour

*Total annual reporting:* 130 hours.

(3) *Description of the need and use of the information:* The statutorily required information is needed to provide the Office of the Secretary with a vehicle to collect the information needed to include individuals and organizations nominated by the public in applicant pools for TPIA National Awards and to recognize them for the valuable contributions that they make in support of the stewardship of America's lands, facilities, and cultural and natural resources.

(4) As required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), a **Federal Register** notice soliciting comments on the information collection was published on October 16, 2009 (74 FR 53288). One comment was received. This comment was not directed at the information collection, and thus resulted in no change. This notice provides the public with an additional 30 days in which to comment on the proposed information collection activity.

##### III. Request for Comments

The Department of the Interior invites comments on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection and the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;