

persons in rural areas who are not receiving central station service. The RE Act also authorizes and empowers the Administrator of the Agency to provide financial assistance to borrowers for purposes provided in the RE Act by accommodating or subordinating loans made by the national Rural Utilities Cooperative Finance Corporation, the Federal Financing Bank, and other lending agencies. Title 7 CFR part 1717, subparts R & S sets forth policy and procedures to facilitate and support borrowers' efforts to obtain private sector financing of their capital needs, to allow borrowers greater flexibility in the management of their business affairs without compromising RUS loan security, and to reduce the cost to borrowers, in terms of time, expenses and paperwork, of obtaining lien accommodations and subordinations. The information required to be submitted is limited to necessary information that would allow the Agency to make a determination on the borrower's request to subordinate and accommodate their lien with other lenders.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public Reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 19 hours per response.

*Respondents:* Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for profit.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 21.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 290 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Michele Brooks, Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, at (202) 690-1078. FAX: (202) 720-8435. Email: [michele.brooks@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:michele.brooks@wdc.usda.gov).

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 2, 2012.

**Jonathan Adelstein,**

*Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, and the Federal Advisory

Committee Act (FACA), that a planning meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 2 p.m. (CDT) on Tuesday, July 24, 2012, at the River Room, Fargo City Hall, 200 N. 3rd Street, Fargo, ND 58102.

The purpose of the planning meeting is to discuss civil rights issues in the state and to select a project topic.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days of the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 999 18th Street, Suite 1380 South, Denver, CO 80202. They may be faxed to (303) 866-1050 or emailed to [ebohor@usccr.gov](mailto:ebohor@usccr.gov). Persons who desire additional information may contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at (303) 866-1040.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's Web site, [www.usccr.gov](http://www.usccr.gov), or to contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at the above email or street address.

Deaf or hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Rocky Mountain Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission and FACA.

Dated in Washington, DC, on July 3, 2012.

**Peter Minarik,**

*Acting Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

*Agency:* National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

*Title:* Report of Whaling Operations.

*OMB Control Number:* 0648-0311.

*Form Number(s):* NA.

*Type of Request:* Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

*Number of Respondents:* 51.

*Average Hours per Response:* Captains' reports, 30 minutes; whaling commission reports, 35 minutes.

*Burden Hours:* 45.

*Needs and Uses:* This request is for extension of a current information collection.

Native Americans may conduct certain aboriginal subsistence whaling in accordance with the provisions of the International Whaling Commission (IWC). In order to respond to obligations under the International Convention for the Regulation of Whaling, and the IWC, captains participating in these operations must submit certain information to the relevant Native American whaling organization about strikes on and catch of whales. Anyone retrieving a dead whale is also required to report. Captains must place a distinctive permanent identification mark on any harpoon, lance, or explosive dart used, and must also provide information on the mark and self-identification information. The relevant Native American whaling organization receives the reports, compiles them, and submits the information to NOAA.

The information is used to monitor the hunt and to ensure that quotas are not exceeded. The information is also provided to the IWC, which uses it to monitor compliance with its requirements.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Frequency:* Annually, monthly and on occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*OMB Desk Officer:*  
[OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov).

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [JJessup@doc.gov](mailto:JJessup@doc.gov)).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov).