

Dated: December 9, 2014.

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Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5752-N-107]

**30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality**

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

**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:* January 14, 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 October 10, 2014.

**A. Overview of Information Collection**

*Title of Information Collection:* Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2506-0177.

*Type of Request:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Form Number:* None.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* HUD

requests its applicants to supply environmental information that is not otherwise available to HUD staff for the environmental review on an applicant's proposal for HUD financial assistance to develop or improve housing or community facilities. HUD itself must perform an environmental review for the purpose of compliance with its environmental regulations found at 24 CFR part 50, Protection and Enhancement of Environmental Quality. Part 50 implements the National Environmental Policy Act and implementing procedures of the Council on Environmental Quality, as well as the related federal environmental laws and executive orders. HUD's agency-wide provisions—24 CFR 50.3(h)(1) and 50.32 [copy attached]—regulate how individual HUD program staffs are to utilize such collected data when HUD itself prepares the environmental review and compliance. Separately, individual HUD programs each have their own regulations and guidance implementing environmental and related collection responsibilities. For the next three years, this approved collection will continue unchanged under this OMB control number to assure adequate coverage for all HUD programs subject to Part 50.

*Respondents:* Businesses, not-for-profit institutions, and local governments receiving HUD funding.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
Total .....	2,600	1	2,600	2	5,200	\$52	\$270,400

**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.

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Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5752-N-105]

**30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Pre-Purchase Homeownership Counseling Demonstration and Impact Evaluation**

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

**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:* January 14, 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](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov).

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**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 March 10, 2014.

**A. Overview of Information Collection**

*Title of Information Collection:* Pre-Purchase Homeownership Counseling Demonstration and Impact Evaluation.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2528-0293.

*Type of Request:* Revision.

*Form Number:* None.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is conducting an important national study of the effectiveness of pre-purchase homeownership counseling services. This request covers several data collection activities: (a) Administering an interim survey to study participants; (b) recruiting study participants to participate in focus groups and conducting the focus groups to collect qualitative data;<sup>1</sup> (c) collecting consent

from co-borrowers of study participants;<sup>2</sup> (d) continuing to collect loan origination and servicing data from lenders and service tracking data from counseling agencies; and (e) continuing to collect updated tracking information from study participants. The interim survey will be administered 12 months after participants complete the baseline survey. The interim survey will provide the first comparison of study participants' characteristics from the baseline survey. The information collected through the focus groups will be used to support the implementation analysis and to collect qualitative information about study participants' experiences with pre-purchase homeownership counseling services. The collection of consent from study participants' co-borrowers is necessary to allow the study to collect data related to the characteristics and performance of study participants' mortgage loans. As part of OMB approval # 2528-0293, the study collects data from participating counseling agencies on services that study participants receive. The study also collects study participants' loan origination and service tracking data from the study's three participating lenders for loans that do not have a co-borrower. Lastly, the study collects updated study participant contact information and other tracking data in order locate study participants for the interim survey and for future surveys. Maintaining contact with study participants over time is critical to minimizing attrition and ensuring high response rates to the follow-up surveys. We study seek to continue the collection of service tracking data, loan origination and servicing data, and tracking information past the # 2528-0293 expiration date.

*Respondents:* i.e. affected public): Up to 6,000 study participants; approximately 1,800 co-borrowers; 64 counseling organizations; and, staff at 3 lenders. The average time per study participant (up to 6,000 study participants) to complete the interim survey is 35 minutes. A total of up to 144 study participants will participate

in 12 focus groups of 8-12 participants each. Each focus group will take approximately 120 minutes. Prior to the focus groups, the study team will contact eligible study participants in three cities to request participation in a focus group and confirm eligibility information. The recruitment calls are estimated to take approximately 5 minutes per person. The study's enrollment projections suggest that the three largest study sites will include approximately 720 eligible study participants, although recruitment will end sooner if the available focus group slots are filled. The collection of co-borrower consent involves including the co-borrower consent form in the study's regular tracking letters, along with a request for the co-borrower to review, sign, and return the written consent form. For co-borrowers who do not return the written form, the study will also be able to collect consent verbally at the time of the interim survey and during phone calls with the co-borrower. The study estimates that approximately 1,800 study participants will have co-borrowers. The co-borrowers' review of the co-borrower consent information and completion of the consent process is estimated to require approximately 5 minutes per co-borrower. The average time per client for counseling agencies to document the services provided to study participants is 10 minutes, with responses required for both the educational component and for the counseling services. The average time for lenders to prepare study participants' loan origination and performance data for the study team is 60 minutes. The study team will ask for this data at 6 points during the next 3 years from each lender. The study mails study tracking letters 2-3 times per year. The average time for study participants' review of the letters and return of the tracking form is 5 minutes. The total burden for the study is 9,666 hours: 8,348 hours for study participants, 150 hours for co-borrowers, 1,150 hours for counseling agencies, and 18 hours for lenders.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden minutes per response	Total burden hours	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
Interim Survey .....	6,000	1	1	35	3,500	3,500	\$35	\$210,000
Focus group recruitment calls .....	720	1	1	5	60	60	25	1,500
Focus groups .....	144	1	1	120	288	288	25	7,200
Co-borrower consent form .....	1,800	1	1	5	150	150	25	3,750

<sup>1</sup> This activity has been modified from OMB Approval #2528-0293. The study requests to conduct focus groups with study participants instead of individual telephone interviews.

<sup>2</sup> This activity has been modified from OMB Approval #2528-0293. The study has revised the co-borrower consent form and requests approval for the revised form.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden minutes per response	Total burden hours	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
Loan origination and performance data: Lenders .....	3	6	2	60	18	6	35	630
Service tracking information: Housing counseling agencies .....	3,450	2	1	10	1,150	1,150	25	28,750
Tracking Letter .....	6,000	9	3	5	4,500	1,500	5	270,000
Total .....	18,117	21	10	.....	9,666	6,654	.....	521,830

## 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.

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

Date: December 9, 2014

**Colette Pollard,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5800-FA-07]

### Announcement of Funding Awards HOPE VI Main Street Grant Program Fiscal Year (FY) 2014

**AGENCY:** Office of the Acting Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD

**ACTION:** Announcement of funding awards.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development

Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department in a competition for funding under the FY 2014 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the HOPE VI Main Street Program. This announcement contains the name and address of the award recipient under said NOFA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions concerning the HOPE VI Main Street Program awards, contact Lawrence Gnessin, HOPE VI Main Street Program Manager, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410, email [lawrence.gnessin@hud.gov](mailto:lawrence.gnessin@hud.gov), and telephone (202) 402-2676. Hearing or speech-impaired individuals may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the HOPE VI Main Street program is to provide grants to small communities to assist in the rejuvenation of an historic or traditional central business district or "Main Street" area by replacing unused commercial space in buildings with affordable housing units. The objectives of the program are to redevelop Main Street areas; preserve historic or traditional architecture or design features in Main Street areas; enhance economic development efforts in Main Street areas; and provide affordable housing in Main Street areas.

The FY 2014 award announced in this Notice was selected for funding in a NOFA competition posted on the <http://www.grants.gov> Web site on July 4, 2014. Applicants to this Notice were eligible for awards in FY 2014, but HUD reserved the right to award one FY 2015 grant to applicants from this FY 2014 NOFA. In addition, HUD intends to award FY 2015 funds to an FY 2014 applicant if funding becomes available. That process will be announced separately.

The amount allotted to fund the HOPE VI Main Street grant were from appropriations for Section 24 of the

Housing Act of 1937, as amended. The amount allotted for FY2014 was \$500,000. The HOPE VI Main Street grantee information is as follows:

Town of Kit Carson  
301 Main Street  
Kit Carson, CO 80825-0375

In accordance with Section 102

(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat.1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing the name, address, and amount of the award made under FY 2014 HOPE VI Main Street NOFA.

Dated: December 5, 2014.

**Jemine Bryon,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

[FWS-R8-ES-2014-N209; FF08ESMF00-FXES1112080000F2-145]

### Proposed Habitat Conservation Plan/ Natural Community Conservation Plan for the Counties of Yuba and Sutter, CA; Scoping for Environmental Impact Statement

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

**ACTION:** Notice of intent; notice of public scoping meeting; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** Under the National Environmental Policy Act, we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, intend to prepare a draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the proposed habitat conservation plan/natural community conservation plan for the Counties of Yuba and Sutter, hereafter referred to as the Yuba-Sutter Regional Conservation Plan (YSRCP). The YSRCP would provide a regional approach for the long-term conservation of covered species plan area, while allowing for compatible future land use and development under county and city