

NARA at the end of the GHW Bush administration in 1993 and were used to restore emails and related records pursuant to the *Armstrong* case, along with 32 additional unclassified *Armstrong* backup tapes. NARA will permanently retain the restored Presidential and Federal records from these media, including PROFS notes, documents, and calendars, as well as email and cables from the All-in-One electronic system and the WHSSS and the WHSR electronic systems, on different electronic media.

#### Details About the Records

These backups were maintained for the PROFS, the All-in-One, and on systems maintained by WHSSS and WHSR. Four White House entities maintained these backups—the White House Communications Agency (WHCA), WHSSS, and WHSR, on behalf of the National Security Council (NSC), and the Office of Administration (OA) on behalf of components of the Executive Office of the President.

These tapes include 3,039 original classified backup tapes originally preserved under court orders entered in the *Armstrong* case and transferred to NARA at the end of the GHW Bush administration in 1993. These backup tapes were created by WHCA and WHSSS staff, on behalf of the NSC, during the Reagan and GHW Bush administrations, and by WHSR staff during the Bush administration. The original backup media consist of a variety of formats, including, but not limited to, open-reel tapes, 3480-class cartridge tapes, hard drives, 8mm tapes, 4mm tapes, DEC cartridges, removable disc packs, and a floppy disk. During the Clinton administration, WHCA, WHSSS, and WHSR administrative staff, on behalf of the NSC, conducted tape restoration projects to restore records from these backup tapes. All of these backup media have been duplicated in two or more preservation copy sets (not necessarily using the same media) created subsequently. NARA will permanently retain the restored Presidential and Federal records from these media, including PROFS notes, documents, and calendars, as well as email and cables from the All-in-One electronic system and the WHSSS and WHSR electronic systems, in an electronic format as part of the permanent record collections of the Reagan and GHW Bush administrations.

#### Tape Restoration Projects and Retained Records

During the Reagan and GHW Bush administrations, NSC staff conducted business using two electronic

communication systems. The first system was known as PROFS, which was an IBM proprietary office management tool available to NSC staff and supported by WHCA. WHCA captured stored electronic information on open reel tapes, created to sustain disaster recovery ability, during scheduled backup periods. During the Clinton administration, WHCA used copies of PROFS system backup tapes to conduct a tape restoration project (WHCA TRP) of all PROFS notes, documents, calendars, and other partial or residual data on the tapes from the Reagan and GHW Bush administrations, in response to stipulations and orders entered in the *Armstrong* case. We will continue to retain these restored records.

The second system used by NSC staff during the Reagan administration, and increasingly during the GHW Bush administration, was the All-in-One system, which also allowed for transmission of electronic mail, calendars, and cables. The All-in-One system maintained by WHCA and WHSSS was connected to the IBM PROFS system so that mail could be sent and received between NSC staff. After September 1992, WHSR staff began using a new system for electronic mail (CCMail) instead of All-in-One.

WHSSS staff conducted a second tape restoration project (WHSSS TRP) on the backup media from each of the above systems, also in response to stipulations and orders entered in the *Armstrong* case. From the Reagan administration, all WHCA All-in-One email and cables, and WHSSS All-in-One email, calendars, and cables, were restored as part of the WHSSS TRP. From the GHW Bush administration, all WHCA All-in-One email, calendars, and cables, WHSSS All-in-One email, calendars, and cables, and WHSR CCMail email, calendars, and cables, were restored as part of the WHSSS TRP. We will continue to retain these records.

The records restored pursuant to the WHCA and WHSSS TRPs are currently classified and are otherwise subject to access restrictions imposed by the Presidential Records Act (44 U.S.C. 2204(a)). NARA will be able to respond to future access requests for the PROFS notes, documents, and calendars, as well as All-in-One and CCMail electronic mail, calendars, and cables. In light of the extensive past restoration efforts to obtain these records, we believe the original backup media and subsequent preservation copies do not warrant permanent retention and are disposable.

Staff in OA conducted a third tape restoration project to restore

unclassified Reagan-era PROFS notes, documents, and calendars residing on OA's separate unclassified PROFS system for components of the Executive Office of the President, also in response to stipulations and orders entered in the *Armstrong* case. NARA now proposes to dispose of 32 unclassified open-reel backup tapes created during the Reagan administration and used by OA staff for this third TRP. OA created separate sets of output tapes, labeled the "Presidential Tape Set," and the "Federal Tape Set," containing PROFS notes, documents, and calendars covered under the Presidential Records Act and the Federal Records Act, respectively. We will continue to retain these records. In light of OA's restoration efforts, we believe that these 32 original backup media and subsequent preservation copies also do not warrant permanent retention and are disposable.

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**Susan K. Donius,**

*Director, Office of Presidential Libraries.*

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## NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

### Notice of Continuance for General Clearance for Guidelines, Applications and Reporting Forms

**AGENCY:** Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Foundation for the Arts and Humanities.

**ACTION:** Notice, request for comments, collection of information.

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**SUMMARY:** The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). This pre-clearance consultation program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. By this notice, IMLS is soliciting comments on IMLS program guidelines and reporting requirements.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by

contacting the individual listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section below on or before April 6, 2015.

The IMLS is particularly interested in comments which:

- 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;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

**ADDRESSES:** For a copy of the documents contact: Kim A. Miller, Management Analyst, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 1800 M Street NW., 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20036. Ms. Miller can be reached by telephone: 202-653-4762; fax: 202-653-4600; email: [kmiller@imls.gov](mailto:kmiller@imls.gov) or by *teletype* (TTY/TDD) for persons with hearing difficulty at 202-653-4614.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the Nation's 123,000 libraries and 35,000 museums. The Institute's mission is to inspire libraries and museums to advance innovation, learning and civic engagement. We provide leadership through research, policy development, and grant making. IMLS provides a variety of grant programs to assist the Nation's museums and libraries in improving their operations and enhancing their services to the public. (20 U.S.C. 9101 *et seq.*).

**II. Current Actions**

To administer these programs of grants, cooperative agreements and contracts, IMLS must develop application guidelines and reporting forms.

*Agency:* Institute of Museum and Library Services.

*Title:* IMLS Guidelines, and Applications and Reporting Forms.

*OMB Number:* 3137-0029, 3137-0071.

*Agency Number:* 3137.

*Frequency:* Annually, Semi-annually.

*Affected Public:* State Library Administrative Agencies, museums, libraries, institutions of higher education, library and museum professional associations, and museum and library professionals, Indian tribes (including any Alaska native village, regional corporation, or village corporation), and organizations that primarily serve and represent Native Hawaiians.

*Number of Respondents:* 10,037.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* .08-90 hours.

*Total Burden Hours:* 63,085.

*Total Annualized capital/startup costs:* 0.

*Total Annual Costs:* \$1,745,562.

*Public Comments Invited:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Miller, Management Analyst, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 1800 M Street NW., 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20036. Ms. Miller can be reached by telephone: 202-653-4762; fax: 202-653-4600; or email: [kmiller@imls.gov](mailto:kmiller@imls.gov).

Dated: February 3, 2015.

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**NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**

**Comment Request: National Science Foundation Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide**

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request renewed clearance of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action.

After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting OMB clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information

is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received by April 7, 2015 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 1265, Arlington, VA 22230, or by email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Suzanne Plimpton on (703) 292-7556 or send email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* "National Sciences Foundation Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide."

*OMB Approval Number:* 3145-0058.

*Expiration Date of Approval:*

November 30, 2017.

*Type of Request:* Intent to seek approval to extend with revision an information collection for three years.

*Proposed Project:* The National Science Foundation Act of 1950 (Pub. L. 81-507) set forth NSF's mission and purpose:

"To promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense. . . ."

The Act authorized and directed NSF to initiate and support:

- Basic scientific research and research fundamental to the engineering process;
- Programs to strengthen scientific and engineering research potential;
- Science and engineering education programs at all levels and in all the various fields of science and engineering;