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(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.

Dated: September 28, 2015.

**Edward L. Golding,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5832-N-10]

**60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Application for Rural Capacity Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing NOFA**

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection

described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

**DATES: Comments Due Date:** December 1, 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: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410-5000; telephone 202-402-3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at [Colette.Pollard@hud.gov](mailto:Colette.Pollard@hud.gov) for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven K. Washington, Director, Office of Policy Development and Coordination, CPD, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email Steven K. Washington at [Steven.K.Washington@hud.gov](mailto:Steven.K.Washington@hud.gov) or telephone 202-402-4142. This is not a toll-free number. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the

information collection described in section A.

**A. Overview of Information Collection**

*Title of Information Collection:* Application for Rural Capacity Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing NOFA.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2506-0195.

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

*Form Number:* N/A.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The Rural Capacity Building for Community Development and Affordable Housing (RCB) program and the funding made available have been authorized by the Annual Appropriations Acts each year since Fiscal Year 2012. The competitive funds are awarded to national not-for-profit organizations through a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) to carry out eligible activities related to community development and affordable housing projects and programs. Applicants are required to submit certain information as part of their application for assistance. Without this information, it would be impossible to determine which applicants were eligible for award.

*Respondents (i.e. affected public):* National organizations with expertise in rural housing and community development, including experience working with rural housing development organizations, community development corporations (CDCs), community housing development organizations (CHDOs), local governments, and Indian tribes.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 30.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 1.

*Frequency of Response:* Annual.

*Average Hours per Response:* 40.

*Total Estimated Burdens:* 1200 hours.

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 .....	30	1	1	40	1200	\$45	\$54,000

**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:

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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.

Dated: September 23, 2015.

**Harriet Tregoning,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.*

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