

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Migratory Bird Hunting; Service Regulations Committee Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (hereinafter Service) will conduct an open meeting in June 2017 to identify and discuss preliminary issues concerning the 2018-19 migratory bird hunting regulations.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held June 21, 2017. The meeting will commence at approximately 11:00 a.m. and is open to the public.

**ADDRESSES:** The Service Regulations Committee meeting will be in the Rachel Carson conference room at 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 22041.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ron W. Kokel, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, MS: MB, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803; (703) 358-1967.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the authority of the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (16 U.S.C. 703-712), the Service regulates the hunting of migratory game birds. We update the migratory game bird hunting regulations, located in title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations in part 20, annually. Through these regulations, we establish the frameworks, or outside limits, for season lengths, bag limits, and areas for migratory game bird hunting. To help us in this process, we have administratively divided the nation into four Flyways (Atlantic, Mississippi, Central, and Pacific), each of which has a Flyway Council. Representatives from the Service, the Service's Migratory Bird Regulations Committee, and Flyway Council Consultants will meet on June 21, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. to identify preliminary issues concerning the 2018-19 migratory bird hunting regulations for discussion and review by the Flyway Councils at their August and September meetings.

In accordance with Department of the Interior (hereinafter Department) policy regarding meetings of the Service Regulations Committee attended by any person outside the Department, these meetings are open to public observation. The Service is committed to providing

access to this meeting for all participants. Please direct all requests for sign language interpreting services, closed captioning, or other accommodation needs to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, TTY 800-877-8339, with your request by close of business on June 14, 2017.

Dated: May 15, 2017.

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR****Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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**Agency Information Collection Activities: OMB Control Number 1076-0177; Tribal Energy Development Capacity Program**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs is seeking comments on the renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the collection of information for the Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) program authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0177. This information collection expires August 31, 2017.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before August 14, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on the information collection to Mr. Chandler Allen, Division of Energy and Mineral Development, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, 13922 Denver West Parkway, Suite 200, Lakewood, CO 80401; facsimile: (303) 969-5273; email: *Chandler.Allen@bia.gov*.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Chandler Allen, telephone: (720) 407-0607.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Abstract**

The Energy Policy Act of 2005 authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance to Indian Tribes and Tribal energy resource development organizations for energy development and appropriates funds for such projects on a year-to-year basis. *See* 25 U.S.C.

3502. When funding is available, the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED) may solicit proposals for projects for building capacity for Tribal energy resource development on Indian land from Tribal energy resource development organizations and Indian Tribes, including Alaska Native regional and village corporations under the TEDC program. For the purposes of this program, "Indian land" includes: All land within the boundaries of an Indian reservation, pueblo, or rancheria; any land outside those boundaries that is held by the United States in trust for a Tribe or individual Indian or by a Tribe or individual Indian with restrictions on alienation; and land owned by an Alaska Native regional or village corporation.

Those who would like to submit a TEDC project proposal must submit an application that includes certain information and, once funding is received must submit reports on how they are using the funding. A complete application must contain the following:

- A formal signed resolution of the governing body of the Tribe or Tribal energy resource development organization demonstrating authority to apply;
- A proposal describing the planned activities and deliverable products; and
- A detailed budget estimate, including contracted personnel costs, travel estimates, data collection and analysis costs, and other expenses.

The project proposal must include the information about the Tribe or Tribal energy resource development organization sufficient to allow IEED to evaluate the proposal based on the following criteria:

- (a) Energy resource potential;
- (b) Applicant's energy resource development history and current status;
- (c) Applicant's existing energy resource development capabilities;
- (d) Demonstrated willingness of the applicant to establish and maintain an independent energy resource development business entity;
- (e) Intent to develop and retain energy development capacity within the applicant's government or business entities; and
- (f) Applicant commitment of staff, training, or monetary resources.

The IEED requires this information to ensure that it provides funding only to those projects that meet the goals of the TEDC and the purposes for which Congress provides the appropriations.

**II. Request for Comments**

The IEED requests your comments on this collection concerning: (a) The