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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-7011-N-21]

**Notice of Emergency Approval of an Information Collection: National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) Demonstration**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, HUD has requested from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) emergency approval of the information collection described in this notice.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* June 6, 2019.

**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).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; email 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.

**A. Overview of Information Collection**

*Title of Information Collection:* National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE) Demonstration.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2577-Pending.

*Type of Request:* New Collection.  
*Form Number:* N/A.

*Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use:* HUD's Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) has developed a new inspection model entitled the National Standards for the Physical Inspection of Real Estate (NSPIRE). Prior to nationwide implementation, REAC will test NSPIRE through a multistage Demonstration to identify potential adjustments to standards, protocols, and processes. HUD will ask public housing agencies (PHAs), and owners and agents (OA) (collectively referred to as POAs) to participate in this Demonstration through a voluntary application process and plans to test this model with approximately 4,500 properties.

HUD is developing a standardized electronic system and data exchange standard for this collection and will distribute self-inspection software for properties to collect and submit this data electronically. Within the scope of this collection, HUD requests the following information from participating POAs: An annual self-inspection report or work order receipts, a property profile, copies of building system certificates, local code violations over the rolling calendar year, and participation in feedback sessions.

1. Many POAs have statutory, regulatory, or housing program contractual requirements to conduct annual self-inspections on all dwelling units. POAs will be provided with self-inspection software that will enable them to easily document and submit deficiencies that are present within dwelling units across the rolling calendar year. In lieu of submitting a self-inspection report, POAs can electronically submit work order receipts from across the rolling calendar

year. This data provides reasonable assurance that every dwelling unit was evaluated for deficiencies and maintenance needs.

2. POAs will submit a property profile documenting the: Owner/company name, physical address, type of housing (e.g., section 8), structure type, number of buildings, number of floors, number of units, existence of an attached garage, types of fuel-burning appliances, and an updated floor plan.

3. POAs will submit an electronic copy of the building system certificates, including elevators, fire alarm systems, sprinkler systems, boilers (HVAC or domestic water), and lead-based paint inspection reports. HUD believes that it is important for POAs to provide this information annually as the inoperability of these systems can have a substantial effect on residents.

4. POAs will submit a list of local code violations for which the property was cited over the rolling calendar year. HUD regulations at 24 CFR 5.703(g), requires HUD housing to adhere to local code. HUD believes that compliance (or non-compliance) with local code can serve as an important indicator as to whether a property is conducting regular maintenance and whether it is providing acceptable basic housing conditions.

5. Finally, HUD will ask 900 POAs to provide Demonstration feedback via one in-person listening session. With this information, HUD will be better able to refine inspection standards and protocols ensuring resident housing is decent, safe, sanitary, and in good repair.

Without the information on POA-conducted physical inspections, HUD's interests will not be protected, and HUD will not be able to easily identify risks due to neglected maintenance. Analyzing self-inspection data will allow HUD to better identify these risks and improve the accuracy of property assessments, the consistency of inspections, and ultimately to provide residents with quality affordable housing.

*Respondents:* POAs participating in the NSPIRE Demonstration.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
	60,000	Annually .....	4,500	2.7 hours/property	12,150	\$22.76	\$276,534

**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 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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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Endangered and Threatened Species;  
Receipt of Recovery Permit  
Applications**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of permit applications; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, have received applications for permits to conduct activities intended to enhance the propagation or survival of endangered or threatened species under the Endangered Species Act. We invite the

public and local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies to comment on these applications. Before issuing any of the requested permits, we will take into consideration any information that we receive during the public comment period.

**DATES:** We must receive your written comments on or before June 24, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** *Document availability and comment submission:* Submit requests for copies of the applications and related documents and submit any comments by one of the following methods. All requests and comments should specify the applicant name(s) and application number(s) (e.g., TXXXXXX).

- *Email:* [permits8es@fws.gov](mailto:permits8es@fws.gov).
- *U.S. Mail:* Daniel Marquez, Endangered Species Program Manager, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Region 8, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W-2606, Sacramento, CA 95825.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Daniel Marquez, via phone at 760-431-9440, via email at [permits8es@fws.gov](mailto:permits8es@fws.gov), or via the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY assistance.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on applications for permits under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). The requested permits would allow the applicants to conduct activities intended to promote recovery of species that are listed as endangered or threatened under the ESA.

**Background**

With some exceptions, the ESA prohibits activities that constitute take

of listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activity. The ESA's definition of "take" includes such activities as pursuing, harassing, trapping, capturing, or collecting in addition to hunting, shooting, harming, wounding, or killing.

A recovery permit issued by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA authorizes the permittee to conduct activities with endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes that promote recovery or for enhancement of propagation or survival of the species. These activities often include such prohibited actions as capture and collection. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) for these permits are found in the Code of Federal Regulations at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.32 for threatened wildlife species, 50 CFR 17.62 for endangered plant species, and 50 CFR 17.72 for threatened plant species.

**Permit Applications Available for Review and Comment**

Proposed activities in the following permit requests are for the recovery and enhancement of propagation or survival of the species in the wild. The ESA requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits. Accordingly, we invite local, State, Tribal, and Federal agencies and the public to submit written data, views, or arguments with respect to these applications. The comments and recommendations that will be most useful and likely to influence agency decisions are those supported by quantitative information or studies.

Application No.	Applicant, city, state	Species	Location	Activity	Type of take	Permit action
TE-86906B .....	Yosemite National Park, El Portal, California.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog (<i>Rana sierrae</i>).</li> </ul>	CA	Educational activities	Capture, handle, and release.	Amend.
TE-37598D .....	Ivan Parr, Oakland, California.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conservancy fairy shrimp (<i>Branchinecta conservatio</i>),</li> <li>• Longhorn fairy shrimp (<i>Branchinecta longiantenna</i>),</li> <li>• San Diego fairy shrimp (<i>Branchinecta sandiegonensis</i>),</li> <li>• Riverside fairy shrimp (<i>Streptocephalus woottoni</i>),</li> <li>• Vernal pool tadpole shrimp (<i>Lepidurus packardii</i>),</li> <li>• California tiger salamander (Santa Barbara County and Sonoma County Distinct Population Segments (DPSs)) (<i>Ambystoma californiense</i>)</li> </ul>	CA	Survey .....	Capture, handle, release, and collect vouchers.	New.
TE-09375A .....	Laura Eliassen, Bradley, California.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conservancy fairy shrimp (<i>Branchinecta conservatio</i>),</li> <li>• Longhorn fairy shrimp (<i>Branchinecta longiantenna</i>),</li> <li>• San Diego fairy shrimp (<i>Branchinecta sandiegonensis</i>),</li> <li>• Riverside fairy shrimp (<i>Streptocephalus woottoni</i>),</li> </ul>	CA	Survey .....	Capture, handle, release, and collect vouchers.	Renew.