U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), the National Materials and Minerals Policy, Research and Development Act of 1980 (30 U.S.C. 1601 *et seq.*), the National Mining and Minerals Policy Act of 1970 (30 U.S.C. 21(a)), the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. 98 *et seq.*), and the Defense Production Act (50 U.S.C. 2061 *et seq.*).

Michael Magyar,

Acting Director, National Minerals Information Center, U.S. Geological Survey. [FR Doc. 2020–23990 Filed 10–28–20; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

U.S. Geological Survey

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Agency Information Collection Activities: The William T. Pecora Award; Application and Nomination Process

AGENCY: U.S. Geological Survey, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Information

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) are proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 28, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on this information collection request (ICR) by mail to U.S. Geological Survey, Information Collections Officer, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive MS 159, Reston, VA 20192; or by email to gs-info_collections@usgs.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1028–0101 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Sarah Cook by email at scook@usgs.gov, or by telephone at (703) 648–6136.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

We are soliciting comments on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is the collection necessary to the proper functions of the USGS; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the USGS enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the USGS minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Abstract: The William T. Pecora Award is presented annually to individuals or teams using satellite or aerial remote sensing that make outstanding contributions toward understanding the Earth (land, oceans and air), educating the next generation of scientists, informing decision makers or supporting natural or human-induced disaster response. The award is sponsored jointly by the Department of the Interior (DOI) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

The award was established in 1974 to honor the memory of Dr. William T. Pecora, former Director of the U.S. Geological Survey and Under Secretary, Department of the Interior. Dr. Pecora was a motivating force behind the establishment of a program for civil remote sensing of the Earth from space. His early vision and support helped establish what we know today as the Landsat satellite program. The purpose of the award is to recognize individuals or groups working in the field of remote sensing of the earth. National and international nominations are accepted from the public and private sector individuals, teams, organizations, and professional societies.

Nomination packages include three sections: (A) Cover Sheet, (B) Summary Statement, and (C) Supplemental Materials. The cover sheet includes

professional contact information. The Summary Statement is limited to two pages and describes the nominee's achievements in the scientific and technical remote sensing community, contributions leading to successful practical applications of remote sensing, and/or major breakthroughs in remote sensing science or technology. Nominations may include up to 12 pages of supplemental information such as resume, publications list, and/or letters of endorsement.

Title of Collection: The Pecora Award; Application and Nomination Process. OMB Control Number: 1028–0101.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals; Businesses and other academic and non-profit institutions; State, local and tribal governments.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 12.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 12.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: 6 hours.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 100.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary. Frequency of Collection: Annually. Total Estimated Annual Non-hour Burden Cost: There are no "non-hour cost" burdens associated with this IC.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*).

Timothy Newman,

Program Coordinator, National Land Imaging Program, USGS.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

United States Geological Survey

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Request for Nominations for Members To Serve on the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC), and the National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council (NEPEC)

AGENCY: United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior. **ACTION:** Request for Nominations.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Interior is seeking nominations to serve

on the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC), and the National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council (NEPEC). The SESAC advises the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the USGS's participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program. The NEPEC provides advice and recommendations to the Director of the USGS on earthquake predictions and related scientific research.

DATES: Nominations for the SESAC and NEPEC must be received by November 30, 2020.

ADDRESSES: SESAC nominations can be sent to Dr. Gavin Hayes at ghayes@ usgs.gov. Additional information about SESAC may be found at https://www.usgs.gov/natural-hazards/earthquake-hazards/scientific-earthquake-studies-advisory-committee-sesac. NEPEC nominations can be sent to Dr. Michael Blanpied at mblanpied@ usgs.gov. Additional information about the NEPEC may be found at https://www.usgs.gov/natural-hazards/earthquake-hazards/national-earthquake-prediction-evaluation-council-nepec.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquiries regarding SESAC can be directed to Dr. Gavin Hayes, Senior Science Advisor for Earthquake and Geologic Hazards and Designated Federal Officer, ghayes@usgs.gov, 303–273–8421. Inquiries regarding NEPEC can be directed to Dr. Michael Blanpied, Associate Coordinator, Earthquake Hazards Program and Designated Federal Officer, mblanpied@usgs.gov, 703–648–6696.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

SESAC

The SESAC was established in accordance with the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Authorization Act of 1977. The SESAC advises the Director of the USGS on matters relating to the USGS's participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP), including its roles, goals and objectives within that program, its capabilities and research needs, guidance on achieving major objectives, and establishing and measuring performance goals. Membership is composed of non-Federal experts who are qualified in the seismic sciences and other appropriate fields. The USGS Director will give due consideration to recommendations from organizations and societies that may include: National Academy of Sciences; Geological Society of America; Seismological Society of America; American Society of Civil Engineers; American Geophysical Union; Earthquake Engineering Research Institute. Nominees should have established records of distinguished service, be familiar with relevant areas of seismic science and related fields and have at least a general familiarity with USGS programmatic activities relating to its participation in NEHRP.

NEPEC

The NEPEC was established under the Earthquake Hazards Reduction Authorization Act of 1977 and provides advice and recommendations to the Director of the USGS on earthquake predictions, forecasts, advisories, and related scientific research. The Director of the USGS appoints members who are experts in the scientific disciplines that bear on earthquake prediction or other relevant disciplines involved in forecasting natural hazards or public response to such forecasts. Nominations are sought from the private and public sectors and nominees should have established records of distinguished service, be familiar with relevant areas of seismic science and related fields and have at least a general familiarity with USGS programmatic activities relating to its participation in NEHRP.

SESAC and NEPEC nominations should include a resume providing adequate description of the nominee's qualifications, including information that would enable the Department of the Interior to make an informed decision regarding meeting the membership requirements of the SESAC and NEPEC, and permit the Department of the Interior to contact a potential member. Nominations are to be sent to the email address listed under ADDRESSES.

Non-Federal members of the SESAC and NEPEC serve without compensation. However, while away from their homes or regular places of business, non-Federal SESAC and NEPEC members engaged in SESAC and NEPEC business, approved by the Designed Federal Officer, may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently in Government service under 5 U.S.C. 5703.

As appropriate, certain SESAC and NEPEC members may be appointed as special Government employees (SGEs). Please be aware that applicants selected to serve as SGEs will be required, prior to appointment, to file a Confidential Financial Disclosure Report in order to avoid involvement in real or apparent conflicts of interest. You may find a copy of the Confidential Financial Disclosure Report at the following

website: https://www.doi.gov/ethics/ special-government-employees/ financial-disclosure.

Additionally, after appointment, members appointed as SGEs will be required to meet applicable financial disclosure and ethics training requirements. Please contact 202–208–7960 or DOI_Ethics@sol.doi.gov with any questions about the ethics requirements for members appointed as SGEs.

Authority: 5 U.S.C. Appendix 2.

Linda Huev,

Program Specialist, USGS Natural Hazards Mission Area.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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HEARTH Act Approval of Manzanita Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Manzanita Reservation, California Leasing Ordinance

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) approved the Manzanita Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Manzanita Reservation, California (Tribe) leasing regulations under the Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Homeownership Act of 2012 (HEARTH Act). With this approval, the Tribe is authorized to enter into business, agricultural, residential leases, wind energy evaluation leases, and wind and solar resource leases without further BIA approval.

DATES: BIA issued the approval on October 26, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Sharlene Round Face, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Real Estate Services, sharelene.roundface@bia.gov, (505) 563–3132.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Summary of the HEARTH Act

The HEARTH Act makes a voluntary, alternative land leasing process available to Tribes, by amending the Indian Long-Term Leasing Act of 1955, 25 U.S.C. 415. The HEARTH Act authorizes Tribes to negotiate and enter into agricultural and business leases of Tribal trust lands with a primary term of 25 years, and up to two renewal terms