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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

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 FGMB123109CITY0 (212); OMB Control  
 Number 1018-NEW]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Urban Bird Treaty Program Requirements

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

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection;  
 request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the  
 Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we,  
 the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
 (Service), are proposing an existing  
 collection in use without an Office of  
 Management and Budget control  
 number.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to  
 submit comments on or before  
 November 26, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and  
 recommendations for the proposed  
 information collection should be sent  
 within 30 days of publication of this  
 notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/  
 PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular  
 information collection by selecting  
 “Currently under Review—Open for  
 Public Comments” or by using the  
 search function. Please provide a copy  
 of your comments to the Service  
 Information Collection Clearance  
 Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service,  
 MS: PRB (JAO/3W), 5275 Leesburg Pike,  
 Falls Church, VA 22041-3803 (mail); or  
 by email to [Info\\_Coll@fws.gov](mailto:Info_Coll@fws.gov). Please  
 reference “1018-UBT” in the subject  
 line of your comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
 Madonna L. Baucum, Service  
 Information Collection Clearance  
 Officer, by email at [Info\\_Coll@fws.gov](mailto:Info_Coll@fws.gov),  
 or by telephone at (703) 358-2503.  
 Individuals who are hearing or speech  
 impaired may call the Federal Relay  
 Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY  
 assistance. You may also view the  
 information collection request (ICR) at  
[http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/  
 PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In  
 accordance with the Paperwork  
 Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA, 44 U.S.C.

3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 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.

On June 11, 2021, we published in the  
**Federal Register** (86 FR 31336) a notice  
 of our intent to request that the Office  
 of Management and Budget (OMB)  
 approve this information collection. In  
 that notice, we solicited comments for  
 60 days, ending on August 10, 2021.  
 The Service shared the notice with  
 current and prospective UBT program  
 partners to encourage participation in  
 the public commenting process. We did  
 not receive any comments in response  
 to that notice.

As part of our continuing effort to  
 reduce paperwork and respondent  
 burdens, we are again soliciting  
 comments from the public and other  
 Federal agencies on the proposed ICR  
 that is described below. We are  
 especially interested in public comment  
 addressing the following:

- (1) Whether or not the collection of  
 information is necessary for the proper  
 performance of the functions of the  
 agency, including whether or not the  
 information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of our estimate of the  
 burden for this collection of  
 information, including the validity of  
 the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality,  
 utility, and clarity of the information to  
 be collected; and
- (4) How might the agency 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 response.

Comments that you submit in  
 response to this notice are a matter of  
 public record. 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 Urban Bird Treaty  
 Program (UBT Program) is administered  
 through the Service’s Migratory Bird  
 Program, under the authority of the Fish  
 and Wildlife Coordination Act (16  
 U.S.C. 661–667e). The UBT Program  
 aims to support partnerships of public  
 and private organizations and  
 individuals working to conserve  
 migratory birds and their habitats in  
 urban areas for the benefit of these  
 species and the people that live in urban  
 areas. The UBT partners’ habitat  
 conservation activities help to ensure  
 that more natural areas, including  
 forests, grasslands, wetlands, and  
 meadows, are available in urban areas,  
 so that historically excluded and  
 underserved communities can have  
 improved access to green space and  
 opportunities to engage in habitat  
 restoration and community science as  
 well as bird-related recreation and  
 educational programs. These habitat  
 restoration activities, especially urban  
 forest conservation, also contribute to  
 climate resiliency by reducing the  
 amount of carbon dioxide in the  
 atmosphere. Lights-out programs in  
 UBT cities help reduce energy costs and  
 greenhouse gas emissions by reducing  
 the use of electricity when people and  
 businesses turn off their lights between  
 dusk and dawn during the fall and  
 spring periods of bird migration in order  
 to reduce bird collisions with building  
 glass.

The Service designates Urban Bird  
 Treaty cities or municipalities through a  
 process in which applicants submit a  
 nomination package, including a letter  
 of intention and an implementation  
 plan, for approval by the Service’s  
 Migratory Bird Program. Within 3  
 months, the Service reviews the  
 package, makes any necessary  
 recommendations for changes, and then  
 decides to either approve or reject the  
 package. If rejected, the city can reapply  
 the following year. In most cases, when  
 the Service designates a new city  
 partner, the Service and the new city  
 partner hold a signing ceremony, during  
 which a representative from both the  
 Service and the city sign a nonbinding  
 document that states the importance of  
 conserving birds and their habitats to  
 the health and well-being of people that  
 live in and visit the city. To maintain  
 this city partner designation, the city  
 must submit information on the  
 activities it has carried out to meet the  
 goals of the UBT program, including  
 those related to bird habitat  
 conservation, bird hazard reduction,  
 and bird-related community education  
 and engagement. By helping make cities  
 healthier places for birds and people,

the UBT Program contributes to the Administration’s priorities of justice and racial equity, climate resiliency, and the President’s Executive Order 14008 to protect 30 percent of the Nation’s land and 30 percent of its ocean areas by 2030.

The UBT program benefits city partners in many ways, including:

- Helps city partners achieve their goals for making cities healthier places for birds and people.
- Provides opportunities to share and learn from other city partners’ tools, tactics, successes, and challenges, to advance city partners’ urban bird conservation efforts.
- Strengthens the cohesion and effectiveness of the partnerships by coming together and working under the banner of the UBT program.
- Gives city partners improved access to funding through the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation’s Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration grant program, as UBT cities receive priority in this program.
- Helps partners garner additional funds through other urban conservation grant programs that have shared goals and objectives.
- Achieve green building credits, reduced energy costs, green space requirements, environmental equity, and other sustainability goals.
- Promotes the livability and sustainability of partner cities by spreading the word about the city’s UBT Federal designation and all the benefits of a green and bird-friendly city.

We collect the following information from prospective and successful applicants in conjunction with the UBT Program:

- Nomination Letter—Prospective applicants must submit a letter of intention from the city’s partnership that details its commitment to urban bird conservation and community engagement in bird-related education, recreation, conservation, science, and monitoring. Support and involvement by the city government is required.

- Implementation Plan—The required implementation plan should contain the following (see the UBT Program Guidebook—<https://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/pdf/grants/UrbanBirdTreatyV3.pdf>—for full descriptions of requirements):

- Detailed description of the importance of the city to migrating, nesting, and overwintering birds; bird habitats; human population size of the city; and socioeconomic profile of the human communities present and those targeted for education and engagement programs.
- Map of the geographic area that is being nominated for designation.
- List of individuals and organizations, and their contact information, that are active in the partnership.
- The mission, goals, and objectives of the partnership applying for designation, organized by the three UBT goal categories.
- Description of accomplishments (e.g., activities, products, outcomes) that have been completed over the last 2–3 years, the audiences and communities reached/engaged through those activities, and the partner organizations that have achieved them, organized by UBT goal categories.
- Description of strategies, actions, tools/products that are being planned for the next 3–5 years under the UBT designation, the objectives to be accomplished, the audiences and communities targeted for engagement, and the partners who will complete the work, organized by UBT goal categories.

- Ad Hoc Reports—The Service will also request information updates on UBT city points of contact, activities and events, and other information on an ongoing basis for urban bird conservation in the city, as needed by the Service for storytelling, promotion, and internal programmatic communications, education, and outreach.

- Biennial Reporting—The Service requires city partners to provide biennial metrics as well as written and photographic descriptions of activities for each goal category. City partners are required to submit this information to maintain their city’s designation by ensuring that they are actively working to achieve the goals of the UBT Program.

We will use the information collected for storytelling purposes to promote the urban bird conservation work of city partners, and to enable the Migratory Bird Program to develop UBT Program accomplishment reports and other communications tools to share with the public and the conservation community at large. The reporting requirement ensures that the UBT city designation is meaningful and that city partners are accountable for the efforts that they agreed to undertake to earn their designation. Additionally, we will use the information to promote the UBT program to other interested city partners and the benefits of urban bird conservation generally. For more information, please see the UBT Program Guidebook at the following link: <https://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/pdf/grants/UrbanBirdTreatyV3.pdf>.

*Title of Collection:* Urban Bird Treaty Designation, Updates, and Reporting Requirements.

*OMB Control Number:* 1018–NEW.  
*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Existing collection in use without an OMB control number.

*Respondents/Affected Public:* Nonprofits; colleges, universities, and schools; museums, zoos, and aquaria; local community groups; private businesses; and municipal, State, and Tribal governments involved in urban bird conservation in UBT cities.

*Respondent’s Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

*Frequency of Collection:* One-time submission of nomination letter; one-time submission of implementation plan; on occasion for information updates; and biennial reporting.

| Requirement                                     | Average number of annual respondents | Average number of responses each | Average number of annual responses | Average completion time per response (hours) | Estimated annual burden hours |
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| <b>Nomination Letter</b>                        |                                      |                                  |                                    |  |                               |
| Private Sector .....                            | 2                                    | 1                                | 2                                  | 4  | 8                             |
| Government .....                                | 1                                    | 1                                | 1                                  | 4  | 4                             |
| <b>Implementation Plan (Initial Submission)</b> |                                      |                                  |                                    |  |                               |
| Private Sector .....                            | 2                                    | 1                                | 2                                  | 40   | 80                            |
| Government .....                                | 1                                    | 1                                | 1                                  | 20   | 20                            |

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|
| <b>Ad Hoc Reports</b>     |                                      |                                  |                                    |  |                               |
| Private Sector .....      | 19                                   | 4                                | 76                                 | 3  | 228                           |
| Government .....          | 3                                    | 4                                | 12                                 | 3  | 36                            |
| <b>Biennial Reporting</b> |                                      |                                  |                                    |  |                               |
| Private Sector .....      | 9                                    | 1                                | 9                                  | 80   | 720                           |
| Government .....          | 2                                    | 1                                | 2                                  | 80   | 160                           |
| <i>Totals:</i> .....      | 39                                   | .....                            | 105                                | .....  | 1,256                         |

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.*).

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Native Youth Community Adaptation and Leadership Congress**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are proposing to revise a currently approved information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 26, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under Review—Open for

Public Comments” or by using the search function. Please provide a copy of your comments to the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, MS: PRB (JAO/3W), 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803 (mail); or by email to [Info\\_Coll@fws.gov](mailto:Info_Coll@fws.gov). Please reference “1018-0176” in the subject line of your comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Madonna L. Baucum, Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, by email at [Info\\_Coll@fws.gov](mailto:Info_Coll@fws.gov), or by telephone at (703) 358-2503. Individuals who are hearing or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 for TTY assistance. You may also view the information collection request (ICR) at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 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.

On July 19, 2021, we published in the **Federal Register** (86 FR 38111) a notice of our intent to request that OMB approve a revision to this information collection. In that notice, we solicited comments for 60 days, ending on September 17, 2021. No comments were received in response to that notice.

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we are again soliciting comments from the public and other Federal agencies on the proposed ICR that is described below. We are

especially interested in public comment addressing the following:

(1) Whether or not the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;

(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) How might the agency 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 response.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. 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 Service offers eligible Native American, Alaskan Native, and Pacific Islander high school students the opportunity to apply for the Native Youth Community Adaptation and Leadership Congress (Congress). The mission of the Congress is to develop future conservation leaders with the skills, knowledge, and tools to address environmental change and conservation challenges to better serve their schools and home communities. The Congress