

existing housing. Removing barriers to HUD programs and enhancing HUD programs, such as the FHA 203(k) Program, can help support HUD's goal of increasing the available supply of affordable housing in underserved communities.

The 203(k) Program is used to finance the rehabilitation of an existing one-to-four unit structure⁵ that will be used primarily for residential purposes. Mortgages insured through the 203(k) Program can be used to rehabilitate an eligible structure and refinance outstanding indebtedness on the structure and the real property on which it is located; purchase and rehabilitate a structure and purchase the real Property on which the structure is located; or rehabilitate the interior space of an eligible Condominium Unit excluding areas that are the responsibility of a Condominium Association.

The 203(k) Program is an important tool for community and neighborhood revitalization and the expansion of homeownership opportunities for owner-occupant homebuyers.

There are two types of 203(k) Rehabilitation Mortgages: Standard 203(k) Mortgage and the Limited 203(k) Mortgage. The Standard 203(k) Mortgage Insurance Program may be used for remodeling and major repairs, has a minimum repair cost of \$5,000, and requires the use of a 203(k) Consultant. The Limited 203(k) Mortgage Insurance Program is used for minor remodeling and non-structural repairs, has a maximum repair cost of \$35,000, except for properties located in Qualified Opportunity Zones⁶ (QOZs) where the maximum repair cost is \$50,000, and does not require the use of a 203(k) Consultant.

A 203(k) Mortgage may also be used in conjunction with any of FHA's energy efficient programs including the Energy Efficient Mortgages (EEM), Weatherization, and Solar and Wind Technologies programs to finance the costs of energy efficient improvements to an existing Property at the time of purchase or refinance, or to upgrade such energy efficient improvements to exceed the established residential building code for New Construction.

II. Purpose of This Request for Information

The purpose of this RFI is to solicit information regarding barriers to the

⁵ This type of structure refers to a building that has a roof and walls, stands permanently in one place, and contains single or multiple housing units that are used for human habitation.

⁶ QOZ only applies to the first 15,000 Mortgages per calendar year from 2019 to 2028. See HUD Handbook 4000.1, Section II.A.8.(a)(i)(A)(2).

origination of mortgages under the FHA 203(k) Program and to obtain feedback on ways FHA could improve its policies and programs to expand the preservation, renovation, and expansion of housing through its rehabilitation mortgage programs and policies.

III. Specific Information Requested

HUD welcomes all comments relevant to expanding the 203(k) Program. HUD is particularly interested in receiving input from interested parties on the questions below.

1. What information can you provide regarding ways in which the FHA 203(k) Program does or does not meet the needs of borrowers seeking to renovate or rehabilitate their homes?

2. What policies or processes governing the 203(k) Program could be streamlined, modified, or eliminated to enhance your experience with the 203(k) Program?

3. How could FHA increase participation in the 203(k) Program?

4. The Standard 203(k) Program relies on a 203(k) Consultant to determine if a property meets the requirements of the program. What changes would you recommend to FHA's 203(k) Consultant requirements to enhance the program while ensuring a subject property would, after improvements, meet FHA's Minimum Property Requirements (MPR) or Minimum Property Standards (MPS)?

5. What methods would you recommend HUD use to increase stakeholders' awareness about FHA's 203(k) Program?

6. Supporting local authorities' efforts to preserve and expand single-family housing is an important goal of HUD's strategic plan. Please describe how HUD could better support local authorities' efforts to increase the stock of available and affordable single family housing using the 203(k) Program, especially in underserved communities. What role could the program play in improving the supply of available housing in underserved communities?

7. How can the 203(k) Program or other energy efficiency programs (Weatherization, Solar and Wind Technologies, and FHA's EEM) better align with existing federal, state, or local energy efficiency programs?

8. What state or local regulations impact the use of FHA's 203(k) Program?

9. The 203(k) Program parameters limit the types of eligible properties and improvements. Please describe any rehabilitation needs not served or underserved due to the existing program requirements and how could the 203(k) Program be enhanced to address those needs.

10. The 203(k) Program is currently underutilized by nonprofits and governmental entities. What type of changes would encourage more nonprofits and governmental entities to increase their participation in the program?

11. What are the benefits or drawbacks to re-opening the 203(k) Program to other parties that acquire and rehabilitate distressed single-family properties in underserved communities?

12. What technology solutions could improve the availability of, or facilitate, the 203(k) Program?

13. Currently, HUD-approved housing counseling agencies provide advice about FHA-insured loans to potential and current homeowners. Should housing counseling agencies play a more significant role in educating consumers about the FHA 203(k) program?

14. What are the advantages and disadvantages of the 203(k) Program compared to other sources of rehabilitation financing? Are there changes to the program you recommend in light of these?

15. Are there any requirements of the 203(k) program that might restrict utilization by any underserved groups of borrowers and what changes could HUD make to the program to encourage more utilization by these groups?

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Assistant Secretary for Housing—FHA Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-7076-N-02]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Public Housing Capital Fund Program; OMB Control No.: 2577-0157

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing (PIH), 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:* April 17, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection can be sent within 60 days of publication of this notice to *OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov* or *www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain*. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 60-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

Interested persons are also invited to submit comments regarding this proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and can be sent to: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, REE, 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* for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Erica Mahoney, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives, PIH, Department of Housing and Urban

Development, 451 7th Street SW, (L’Enfant Plaza, Room 2206), Washington, DC 20410; telephone 202–402–4109, (this is not a toll-free number). HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals with speech or communication disabilities. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, please visit <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Mahoney.

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: Public Housing Capital Fund Program.

OMB Approval Number: 2577–0157.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Form Numbers: HUD Form 50075.1, HUD–5084, HUD–5087, HUD–51000, HUD–51001, HUD–51002, HUD–51003, HUD–5104, HUD–51915, HUD–51915–

A, HUD–51971–I–II, HUD–52396, HUD–52427, HUD–52482, HUD–52483–A, HUD–52484, HUD–52485, HUD–52651–A, HUD–52829, HUD–52830, HUD–52833, HUD–52845, HUD–52846, HUD–52847, HUD–52849, HUD–53001, HUD–53015, HUD–5370, HUD–5370EZ, HUD–5370C, HUD–5372, HUD–5378, HUD–5460, HUD–52828, 50071, 5370–C1, 5370–C2.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Each year Congress appropriates funds to approximately 3,015 Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) for modernization, development, financing, and management improvements. The funds are allocated based on a complex formula. The forms in this collection are used to appropriately disburse and utilize the funds provided to PHAs. Additionally, these forms provide the information necessary to approve a financing transaction in addition to any Capital Fund Financing transactions. Respondents include the approximately 3,015 PHA receiving Capital Funds and any other PHAs wishing to pursue financing.

Respondents: Public Housing Authorities.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
HUD–5084	3,015	1	3,015	1.5	4,522.50	\$34	\$153,765
HUD–5087	50	1	50	3	150	56	8,400
HUD–50071	10	1	10	0.5	5	56	280
HUD–50075.1	300	1	300	2.2	660	34	204,600
HUD–51000	590	1	590	1	590	34	20,600
HUD–51001	2,550	12	30,600	3.5	107,100	34	3,641,000
HUD–51002	1,600	5	8,000	1	8,000	34	272,000
HUD–51003	500	2	1,000	1.5	1,500	34	51,000
HUD–51004	500	2	1,000	2.5	2,500	34	85,000
HUD–51915 and HUD–51915–A ...	2,630	1	2,630	3	7,890	34	268,260
HUD–51971–I, II	80	1	80	1.5	120	34	4,080
HUD–52396	96	1	96	2	192	34	6,528
HUD–52427	88	1	88	0.5	44	34	1,496
HUD–52482	40	1	40	2	80	34	2,720
HUD–52483–A	40	1	40	2	80	34	2,720
HUD–52484	532	4	2,128	10	21,280	34	723,520
HUD–52485	40	1	40	1	40	34	1,360
HUD–52651–A	40	1	40	2.5	100	34	3,400
HUD–52829	25	1	25	40	1000	56	56,000
HUD–52830	25	1	25	16	400	56	22,400
HUD–52833	3,015	1	3,015	13	30,915	34	1,332,630
HUD–52836	10	1	10	0.5	56	280
HUD–52845	25	1	25	8	200	56	11,200
HUD–52846	25	1	25	16	400	56	22,400
HUD–52847	25	1	25	8	200	56	11,200
HUD–52849	25	1	25	1	25	56	1,400
HUD–53001	3,015	1	3,015	2.5	7,537	34	256,275
HUD–53015	40	1	40	3	120	34	4,080
HUD–5370, 5370EZ	2,694	1	2,694	1	2,694	34	91,596
HUD–5370C	2,694	1	2,694	1	2,694	34	91,596
HUD–5372	590	1	590	1	590	34	20,060
HUD–5378	158	24	3,792	0.25	948	34	32,232
HUD–5460	40	1	40	1	40	34	1,360
Public Housing Information Center Certification of Accuracy	3,015	1	3,015	2	6,030.00	34	186,000

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
HUD-52828 Physical Needs Assessment form	3,015	1	3,015	15.4	46,431	56	2,600,136
Broadband Feasibility determination	3,015	1	3,015	10	30,150	56	1,688,400
Totals					-293,593.00		11,716,694

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 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.

C. Authority

Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35.

Steven Durham,

Acting Chief, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[Docket No. FWS-HQ-FAC-2023-0002; FXFR131109WFHS0-234-FF09F12000; OMB Control Number 1018-0078]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Injurious Wildlife; Importation Certification for Live Fish and Fish Eggs

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 renew an information collection with revisions.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 17, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the information collection request (ICR) by one of the following methods (please reference 1018-0078 in the subject line of your comments):

- *Internet (preferred):* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on Docket No. FWS-HQ-FAC-2023-0002.

- *Email:* Info_Coll@fws.gov.

- *U.S. mail:* Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5275 Leesburg Pike, MS: PRB (JAO/3W), Falls Church, VA 22041-3803.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Madonna L. Baucum, Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, by email at Info_Coll@fws.gov, or by telephone at (703) 358-2503.

Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and its implementing regulations at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), all information collections require approval under the PRA. We may not conduct or sponsor and you are not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

As part of our continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burdens, we invite the public and other Federal agencies 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 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. 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 Lacey Act (Act; 18 U.S.C. 42) prohibits the importation of any animal deemed to be and prescribed by regulation to be injurious to:

- Human beings;
- The interests of agriculture, horticulture, and forestry; or
- Wildlife or the wildlife resources of the United States.

Implementation and enforcement of the Lacey Act are the responsibility of