

general permit will be effective March 1, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the general permit, 2022 fact sheet, 2023 fact sheet addendum, and response to comments document are available online: <https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/npdes-general-permit-federal-aquaculture-facilities-and-aquaculture-facilities-located>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Requests may be made to Audrey Washington at (206) 553-0523. Requests may also be electronically mailed to: [washington.audrey@epa.gov](mailto:washington.audrey@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

On September 7, 2022, EPA Region 10 proposed to reissue the general permit (87 FR 54688). In response to requests from the regulated community, EPA Region 10 extended the end of the public comment period from November 7 to December 22, 2022 (87 FR 66178). On July 18, 2023, EPA Region 10 initiated a second public comment period focused exclusively on four changes made to the General Permit (88 FR 45901). Eligible facilities include Concentrated Aquatic Animal Production (CAAP) facilities, non-CAAP facilities, aquaculture research facilities, and dam fish passage facilities. Currently, there are 32 facilities covered under the existing administratively continued general permit. Existing aquaculture facilities may request authorization to discharge under the general permit by submitting a Notice of Intent (NOI) no more than ninety (90) days following the effective date of the general permit. New facilities that begin operations after the effective date of the general permit must submit a NOI at least 180 days prior to initiation of operations. Upon receipt, EPA will review the NOI to ensure that all permit requirements are met. If determined appropriate by EPA, a discharger will be granted coverage under the general permit upon the date that EPA provides written notification.

Please see the general permit and fact sheet.

**Other Legal Requirements**

This action is not a significant regulatory action and was therefore not submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review.

In accordance with National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), an Environmental Assessment (EA) and associated Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for a proposed facility at Cassimer Bar was available for review and comment along with this general permit.

Compliance with Endangered Species Act, Essential Fish Habitat, Paperwork Reduction Act, and other requirements are discussed in the 2022 fact sheet to the general permit.

**Appeal of Permit:** Any interested person may appeal the final permit action on or before May 7, 2024 (i.e., 120 days from the issuance date of this permit) in the Federal Court of Appeals in accordance with section 509(b)(1) of the CWA, 33 U.S.C. 1369(b)(1).

**Caleb Shaffer,**

*Acting Director, Water Division, Region 10.*

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY**

**[EPA-HQ-OEJECR-2023-0531; FRL-11583-01-OEJECR]**

**Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Information Collection Request; Comment Request; Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking (TCGM) Program: Post-Award Reporting and Public Outreach Information Collections**

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is planning to submit an information collection request (ICR), Environmental Justice Thriving Communities Grantmaking (TCGM) Program: Post-Award Reporting and Public Outreach Information Collections (EPA ICR Number 2795.01, OMB Control Number 2035-NEW) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. Before doing so, EPA is soliciting public comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below. This is a request for approval of a new collection. This notice allows for 60 days for public comments.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before March 8, 2024.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OEJECR-2023-0531, to EPA online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), by email to [Docket\\_OMS@epa.gov](mailto:Docket_OMS@epa.gov), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460. EPA's policy is that all comments received will be

included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Aarti Iyer, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; email address: [iyer.aarti@epa.gov](mailto:iyer.aarti@epa.gov); phone: 202-564-0214.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a request for approval of a new collection. 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.

This notice allows 60 days for public comments. Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA is soliciting comments and information to enable it to: (i) evaluate 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; (ii) evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (iii) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (iv) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate forms of information technology. EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB.

**Abstract:** To meet the goals and objectives that demonstrate the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

(EPA's) and the Administration's commitment to achieving environmental justice and embedding environmental justice into Agency programs, EPA released the Thriving Communities Grantmaking Program (TCGM) funding opportunity. The Thriving Communities Grantmaking program is a reimagining of the long-standing Environmental Justice (EJ) Small Grants Program specifically designed to address the needs of underserved communities and marginalized groups through the provision of direct funding. Historically, the Agency has managed the EJ Small Grants directly, moving forward EPA plans to award 11+ cooperative agreement(s) to pass-through entities (referred to as Grantmakers) in collaboration with EPA to design and build their own processes to receive and evaluate competitive community project applications. This competitive subawards program called EJ Thriving Communities Subgrants will fund the initial development of community led environmental justice projects. The pass-through model removes the requirement of applying through the federal grants process and decreases the amount of time it takes to award federal funds. With this Information Collection Request (ICR), EPA seeks authorization to collect information to track progress made by the 11+ Grantmakers and their partnerships. Collection of this information enables EPA to assess and manage the TCGM Program, which ensures responsible stewardship of public funds; rigorous evidence-based learning and improvement; and transparent accountability to the American public. This ICR also requests authorization for the Grantmakers to collect input and insights from communities who seek to obtain subawards via the Thriving Communities Subgrant program, as well as stakeholders who have valuable experience and expertise in community engagement and empowerment. These information collections will enable the Grantmakers and their partners to document local priorities, needs, and norms to ensure that they develop useful and relevant outreach efforts and subgrant opportunities regionally and nationwide. Feedback about the accessibility and effectiveness of the subgrant opportunities will enable the Grantmakers to conduct self-assessments of their work and identify best practices and areas for improvement. Furthermore, each Grantmaker will offer specific application standards for a competitive community application for subaward

funding. Lastly, this ICR requests authorization for the Grantmakers to collect information from subrecipients, in order to track progress made in their funded projects.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* To be determined.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory for grant recipients as per reporting requirements included in EPA regulations 2 CFR parts 200 and 1500, and voluntary for public outreach information collections via surveys and focus groups.

*Estimated number of respondents:* To be determined. This data will be available for the next public review period.

*Frequency of response:* To be determined. This data will be available for the next public review period.

*Total estimated burden:* To be determined. This data will be available for the next public review period.

*Total estimated cost:* To be determined. This data will be available for the next public review period.

*Changes in the Estimates:* This is a new collection; therefore there is no change in burden.

**Jacob Burney,**

*Director, Grants Management Division, Office of Community Support, Office of Environmental Justice and External Civil Rights.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meetings

**TIME AND DATE:** Thursday, January 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

**PLACE:** Hybrid Meeting: 1050 First Street, NE Washington, DC (12th Floor) and Virtual.

**Note:** For those attending the meeting in person, current COVID-19 safety protocols for visitors, which are based on the CDC COVID-19 hospital admission level in Washington, DC, will be updated on the Commission's contact page by the Monday before the meeting. See the contact page at <https://www.fec.gov/contact/>. If you would like to virtually access the meeting, see the instructions below.

**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public, subject to the above-referenced guidance regarding the COVID-19 hospital admission level and corresponding health and safety procedures. To access the meeting virtually, go to the Commission's website [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov) and click on the banner to be taken to the meeting page.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:**

Opening Remarks

Draft Advisory Opinion 2023-09:

Senator Catherine Cortez Masto  
Draft Advisory Opinion 2023-10: Sony Pictures Television, Inc.  
Management and Administrative Matters

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:**

Judith Ingram, Press Officer, Telephone: (202) 694-1220.

Individuals who plan to attend in person and who require special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Laura E. Sinram, Secretary and Clerk, at (202) 694-1040 or [secretary@fec.gov](mailto:secretary@fec.gov), at least 72 hours prior to the meeting date.

(Authority: Government in the Sunshine Act, 5 U.S.C. 552b)

**Laura E. Sinram,**

*Secretary and Clerk of the Commission.*

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## FEDERAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS EXAMINATION COUNCIL

[Docket No. AS24-01]

### Renewal and Revision of a Current Information Collection Request; Standardized Instructions and Format To Be Used for Interim and Final Progress Reporting

**AGENCY:** Appraisal Subcommittee of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (ASC).

**ACTION:** Request for public comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the ASC invites public comments on our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval to renew an information collection request entitled "ASC Progress Report Standardized Instructions and Format for Interim and Final Progress Reporting." Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, an information collection unless it displays a currently valid control number issued by OMB. The requirement for grantees to report on performance is OMB's grants policy.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before March 8, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** To view the ASC-PR format, see <https://www.asc-pr/sites/default/files/documents/OtherCorrespondence/Progress%20Report%20Form.pdf>.