

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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Endangered Species; Marine Mammals; Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have issued the following permits to conduct certain

activities with endangered species, marine mammals, or both. We issue these permits under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA).

ADDRESSES: Brenda Tapia, Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358–2280; or email DMAFR@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Tapia, (703) 358–2104 (telephone); (703) 358–2280 (fax); DMAFR@fws.gov (email).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On the dates below, as authorized by the provisions of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), as amended, and/or the MMPA, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), we issued requested permits subject to certain conditions set forth therein. For each permit for an endangered species, we found that (1) The application was filed in good faith, (2) The granted permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) The granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

ENDANGERED SPECIES

Permit No.	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
54893A	Joseph Hand	76 FR 65207; October 20, 2011	November 21, 2011.
59085A	Glen Hudson	76 FR 77006; December 9, 2011	January 17, 2012.
59367A	Ronald Bain	76 FR 77006; December 9, 2011	January 17, 2012.
59496A	James Moses	76 FR 77006; December 9, 2011	January 17, 2012.
57362A	Leonard Voyles	76 FR 77006; December 9, 2011	January 18, 2012.
58509A	Paxton Motheral	76 FR 77006; December 9, 2011	January 18, 2012.
60798A	Terrance Wolosek	76 FR 80384; December 23, 2011	January 31, 2012.
30686A	Donald Hotter	77 FR 2314; January 17, 2012	February 27, 2012.
52937A	Carlos Fernandez	76 FR 61733; October 5, 2011	March 7, 2012.
61192A	Jaqueline Seeno	77 FR 6139; February 7, 2012	March 8, 2012.
50819A	Zoological Society of San Diego	76 FR 77006; December 9, 2011	March 12, 2012.
63627A	Paul Monsen	77 FR 6139; February 7, 2012	March 12, 2012.
61274A	Stanley Coman	77 FR 2314; January 17, 2012	March 12, 2012.
57466A	Metro Richmond Zoo	77 FR 3493; January 24, 2012	March 15, 2012.
694126	National Institutes of Health	76 FR 80384; December 23, 2011	March 15, 2012.
65030A	Robin Thigpen	77 FR 6816; February 9, 2012	March 21, 2012.
63679A	Frank Metzger	77 FR 6139; February 7, 2012	March 21, 2012.
59019A	David Marovitz, University of Michigan ...	76 FR 78308; December 16, 2011	March 21, 2012.
59290A	Theodore Papenfuss, University of California.	76 FR 78308; December 16, 2011	March 21, 2012.
56964A	Jeremy Searle, Cornell University	77 FR 3493; January 24, 2012	March 22, 2012.

MARINE MAMMALS

Permit No.	Applicant	Receipt of application Federal Register notice	Permit issuance date
42872A	University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine.	76 FR 44352; July 25, 2011	03/19/2012.

Availability of Documents

Documents and other information submitted with these applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to: Division of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203; fax (703) 358–2280.

Brenda Tapia,

Program Analyst/Data Administrator, Branch of Permits, Division of Management Authority.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Indian Affairs****Renewal of Agency Information Collection for the Bureau of Indian Education Information Collection Activities; Request for Comments**

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for renewal for the collection of information for the Application for Admission to Haskell

Indian Nations University and to Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute authorized by OMB Control Number 1076–0114, the Student Transportation Form, authorized by OMB Control Number 1076–0134, and the Data Elements for Student Enrollment in Bureau-funded Schools, authorized by OMB Control Number 1076–0122. These information collections expire March 30, 2012.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 30, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collections to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at the Office of Management and

Budget, by facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or you may send an email to: OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov. Please send a copy of your comments to Juanita Keesing, Program Analyst, U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Education, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240; email: Juanita.Keesing@bie.edu.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Juanita Keesing, Program Analyst, (202) 208-3559. You may review the information collection requests online at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Follow the instructions to review Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

These collections help support the educational efforts for American Indian and Alaska Native students from elementary through post-secondary levels.

Application for Admission to Haskell & SIPI

The BIA is requesting renewal of OMB approval for the admission forms for Haskell Indian Nations University and the Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute. These admission forms are used in determining program eligibility of American Indian and Alaska Native students for educational services. These forms are utilized pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 2 and 2007(f). Adjustments were made to the total annual cost burden to accurately reflect the cost to submit the applications, in addition to the filing fee per application for Haskell.

Student Transportation Form

The BIA is requesting renewal of OMB approval for the Student Transportation Form. The Student Transportation regulations in 25 CFR part 39, subpart G, contain the program eligibility and criteria that govern the allocation of transportation funds. Information collected from the schools will be used to determine the rate per mile. The information collection provides transportation mileage for Bureau-funded schools, which determines the allocation of transportation funds. The burden hours has decreased from six to two hours due to the implementation of the Web-based system, NASIS, to collect this information, which has reduced the total annual burden hours from 726 to 366 hours. There is an increase in the average number of respondents to this collection from 121 to 183, to accurately reflect the number of respondents.

Data Elements for Student Enrollment in Bureau-Funded Schools

The BIA is requesting renewal of OMB approval for the Student Enrollment Application in Bureau-funded Schools. School registrars collect information on this form to determine the student's eligibility for enrollment in a Bureau-funded school, and if eligible, to identify the student's base and supplemental educational and/or residential program needs. The Bureau of Indian Education compiles the information into a national database to facilitate budget requests and the allocation of congressionally appropriated funds.

II. Request for Comments

The BIA requests your comments on these collections concerning: (a) The necessity of this information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Ways we could enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Before including your address, phone number, email address or other personally identifiable information, be advised that your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made public at any time. While you may request that we withhold your personally identifiable information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 1076-0114.

Title: Application for Admission to Haskell Indian Nations University and to Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute.

Brief Description of Collection:

Submission of these eligibility applications forms is mandatory in determining a student's eligibility for educational services. The information is

collected on one of two forms: Application for Admission to Haskell Indian Nations University form and Application for Admission to Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute form.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Students.

Number of Respondents: 4,000 per year, on average.

Total Number of Responses: 4,000 per year, on average.

Frequency of Response: Once per year for Haskell; each trimester for SIPI.

Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes per Haskell application; 30 minutes per SIPI application.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 2,000 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost Burden: \$12,240 is the estimated total annual cost burden. We estimate 1,000 Haskell applications at \$10 filing fee per application. There is no fee to apply to SIPI. The costs for postage and envelopes to submit an application are included for Haskell and SIPI.

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OMB Control Number: 1076-0134.

Title: Student Transportation Form.

Brief Description of Collection: This annual collection provides pertinent data concerning the school's bus transportation mileage and related long distance travel mileage to determine funding levels for school transportation. This information is collected on the Indian School Equalization Program (ISEP) Student Transportation form.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Contract and Grant schools; Bureau-operated schools.

Number of Respondents: 183 per year, on average.

Total Number of Responses: 183 per year, on average.

Frequency of Response: Once per year.

Estimated Time per Response: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 366 hours.

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OMB Control Number: 1076-0122.

Title: Data Elements for Student Enrollment in Bureau-funded Schools.

Brief Description of Collection: This annual collection provides Bureau-funded schools with data about students to determine placement, special needs assessment, and funding for individuals and assists schools in developing a plan for the school year. The information is collected on a Student Enrollment Application form.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Contract and Grant schools; Bureau-operated schools.

Number of Respondents: 48,000 per year, on average.

Total Number of Responses: 48,000 per year, on average.

Frequency of Response: Once per year.

Estimated Time per Response: 15 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 12,000 total burden hours.

Dated: March 26, 2012.

Alvin Foster,

Assistant Director for Information Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Reindeer in Alaska

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for renewal for the collection of information for Reindeer in Alaska. The information collection is currently authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0047, which expires March 30, 2012.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before *April 30, 2012*.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collection to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at the Office of Management and Budget, by facsimile to (202) 395-5806 or you may send an email to: OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov. Please send a copy of your comments to Keith Kahklen, Natural Resources Manager, Bureau of Indian Affairs, P.O. Box 25520 [3rd Floor Federal Building], Juneau, Alaska 99802-5520; email: Keith.Kahklen@bia.gov; facsimile (907) 586-7120.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keith Kahklen, (907) 586-7618. You may review the ICR online at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Follow the instructions to review Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is seeking renewal of the approval for the information collection conducted under 25 CFR part 243, Reindeer in Alaska, which is used to monitor and regulate the possession and use of Alaskan reindeer by non-Natives in Alaska. The information to be provided includes an applicant's name and address, and where an applicant will keep reindeer. The applicant must fill out an application for a permit to get a reindeer for any purpose, and is required to report on the status of reindeer annually or when a change occurs, including changes prior to the date of the annual report. Comments were received in response to the **Federal Register** notice (76 FR 71600) which did not address the information collection; therefore, we have not changed the collection. This renewal does include changes to the burden hours, reducing the number of respondents from 21 to 18. In addition, we have changed the number of forms associated with this collection from two to four to accurately reflect the forms being used to collect this information.

II. Request for Comments

The BIA requests that you send your comments on this collection to the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section. Your comments should address: (a) The necessity of the information collection for the proper performance of the agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of our estimate of the burden (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways we could enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or conduct, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number. Approval for this collection expires March 30, 2012. Response to the information collection is required to obtain a benefit.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the **ADDRESSES** section during the hours of 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday except for legal holidays. Before including your address, phone number, email address or other personally identifiable information, be advised that

your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made public at any time. While you may request that we withhold your personally identifiable information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 1076-0047.

Title: Reindeer in Alaska, 25 CFR part 243.

Brief Description of Collection: There are four forms associated with this information collection, Sale Permit for Alaska Reindeer, Sale Report for Alaska Reindeer, Special Use Permit for Alaska Reindeer, and Special Use Reindeer Report, which require information to be provided to obtain or retain a benefit, namely, a permit to obtain a reindeer.

Type of Review: Extension.

Respondents: Non-Natives who wish to possess Alaskan reindeer.

Total Number of Respondents: 18 per year, on average (8 respondents for the Sale Permit for Alaska Reindeer, 8 respondents for the Sale Report Form for Alaska Reindeer, 1 respondent for the Special Use Permit for Alaska Reindeer, and 1 respondent for the Special Use Reindeer Report).

Frequency of Collection: Once a year.

Estimated Time per Response: 5 minutes for the Sale Permit and Report forms and 10 minutes for the Special Use Permit and Report forms, on average.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Non-hour Burden: \$10.00.

Dated: March 26, 2012.

Alvin Foster,

Assistant Director for Information Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Final Determination Against Federal Acknowledgment of the Central Band of Cherokee

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of final determination.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Department of the Interior (Department) declines to acknowledge that the petitioner known as the "Central Band of Cherokee" (formerly known as the "Cherokees of Lawrence County, Tennessee"), Petitioner #227, is an Indian tribe within the meaning of