

Frequency: Annual.
Average Time Per Response: 30 minutes.
Estimated Total Burden Hours: 200.
Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): None.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 7, 2001.

David B. Rymph,

Acting Director, Department of Evaluation and Effective Practices.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Notice of Deadline for Submission of Donation Application for the Harbor Tug Ex-HOGA (YTM 146)

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy hereby gives notice of the deadline of June 13, 2002 for submission of a donation application for the harbor tug Ex-HOGA (YTM 146), a National Historic Landmark. Ex-HOGA is located at Suisun Bay National Defense Reserve Fleet, Benicia, CA.

The donation of Naval vessels to qualified organizations is authorized by Title 10, section 7306 of the United States Code. A qualified organization is: (1) Any state, commonwealth, or possession of the United States or any municipal corporation or political subdivision thereof; (2) the District of Columbia; (3) any nonprofit entity organized pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. By law, the transfer of a Navy ship for donation must occur at no cost to the United States Government. The successful applicant will be required to place Ex-HOGA on static display as a maritime museum/memorial and to maintain the vessel in a condition that is satisfactory to the Secretary of the Navy.

A qualified organization wishing to apply for Ex-HOGA must submit a comprehensive donation application to the Navy that addresses the following areas:

Financial Plan: The Financial Plan will estimate the start-up and operating costs, and provide detailed evidence of firm financing adequate to cover these

costs. Start-up costs include towing, mooring (this includes but not limited to the cost of building, leasing, and improving dock and/or shore facilities, and dredging), maintenance, museum development, and meeting environmental requirements (including permitting fees and expenses). Operating costs are those associated with operating and maintaining the vessel as a museum and memorial, including rent, utilities, personnel, insurance, etc.

Firm financing means available funding to ensure the first five years of operation and future stability for long-term operation. This can include pledges, loans, gifts, bonds, funds on deposit at a financial institution, or any combination of the above. The applicant must also provide income projections from sources such as individual and group admissions, facility rental fees and gift shop revenues sufficient to cover the estimated operating expenses.

Technical: The technical area is comprised of four equally weighted plans: Towing, Mooring, Maintenance, and Environmental.

The Towing Plan describes how Ex-HOGA will be towed from the Suisun Bay National Defense Reserve Fleet in Benicia, CA, to the permanent display site proposed by the applicant. The Towing Plan must comply with all Navy Tow Manual requirements.

The Mooring Plan describes how Ex-HOGA will be secured at its permanent display site during normal and extreme weather conditions (including the 100-year storm event) to prevent damage to the ship, its mooring system, the pier, and surrounding facilities. The mooring location must be acceptable to the Navy, and not obstruct or interfere with navigation.

The Environmental Plan describes how the applicant will comply with all Local, State, Federal environmental and public health and safety regulations and permitting requirements. The applicant must also provide information necessary for the Navy to complete an environmental assessment of the donation as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), including the impact of the donation on the natural and man-made environment, local infrastructure, and evaluation of the socio-economic consequences of the donation.

The Maintenance Plan must describe plans for long-term, short-term, and daily maintenance of the vessel, including ship preservation and maintenance schedule, underwater hull inspections, emergency response and fire/flood/intrusion control, pest control, security, periodic dry-docking,

and qualifications of the maintenance team.

Curatorial: The applicant must describe in the Curatorial/Museum Plan the qualifications for a professional curator (and curator staff, if necessary). The plan should also establish a Collections Management Plan that describes how the museum will collect and manage artifacts, including a statement of purpose and description of access, authority, and collection management responsibilities.

The Curatorial Plan must also include a Historic Management Plan that describes how the museum will display the vessel and exhibits, including a description of the historical context of the ship, historical subject matter that will be displayed with the ship, and exhibit display plans.

If the Navy receives more than one application for donation of Ex-HOGA, a two-step evaluation process will be utilized. Phase I is a screening process to determine if applications meet minimum requirements. Phase II is a comparative analysis of the applications to determine the best-qualified applicant. Where two or more application meet minimum requirements, the Navy may consider additional criteria. This criterion may include submitting information on community support and benefit to the Navy.

Community Support: Includes evidence of local support such as letters of support from individuals, organizations, newspapers articles or editorials, letters of endorsement from the city and/or local Government, and written approval of the local Port Authority (this is essential). Evidence of regional support should also be provided. This includes letters of endorsement from adjacent communities and counties, cities or states. Also describe how the location of the ship will encourage public visitation and tourism, become an integral part of the community, and how the ship will enhance community development.

Benefit to the Navy: Describe how the donee may support Navy recruiting efforts. Other areas of benefit to the Navy include a connection between the Navy and the proposed berthing location, how veterans associations in the area are willing to support the vessel, how the donee will honor veterans' contributions to the United States, and how the exhibit will commemorate those contributions and showcase Naval traditions.

The relative importance for each of the areas that must be addressed in the donation application are as follows:

Financial and technical are the most important criteria and are equal in importance. Benefit to the Navy is next in importance. Curatorial and Community are less important than Benefit to the Navy and are equal in importance.

The Secretary of the Navy will make the final decision as to the donation of Ex-HOGA. After the decision to donate the ship is made, the Navy notifies Congress and Congress has 30 days of continuous session to consider the decision.

A detailed description of all donation application criteria and donation application information can be obtained from the Navy Donation Program Web Site at <http://www.navsea.navy.mil/ndp/>, or from the contact person listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Commander, Naval Sea Systems Command, ATTN: Ms. Gloria Carvalho (PMS 333G), 1333 Isaac Hull Avenue SE., Stop 2701, Washington Navy Yard, DC 20376-2701, telephone (202) 781-0485.

Dated: December 7, 2001.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 11, 2002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader,

Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

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

Dated: December 7, 2001.

John Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Student Financial Assistance

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL), Direct Loan, and Perkins Loan Discharge Applications.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 70,200.

Burden Hours: 35,100.

Abstract: These forms will serve as the means of collecting the information necessary to determine whether a FFEL or Direct Loan borrower qualifies for a loan discharge based on total and permanent disability, school closure, false certification of student eligibility, or unauthorized signature. The school closure discharge application may also be used by Perkins Loan borrowers applying for a closed school discharge.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be

electronically mailed to the Internet address OCIO.RIMG@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his Internet address Joe.Schubart@ed.gov.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for Transportation of Low-Level Radioactive Waste From the Oak Ridge Reservation to Off-Site Treatment or Disposal Facilities

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), announces the availability of the Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for Transportation of Low-Level Radioactive Waste from the Oak Ridge Reservation to Off-Site Treatment or Disposal Facilities (DOE/EA-1315) for public review and comment. The EA has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 as amended (NEPA); Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing NEPA, 40 CFR parts 1500-1508; and DOE NEPA Implementing Procedures.

DATES: The review period for the EA/FONSI begins with publication of this notice and extends for 30 days. Comments postmarked after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the EA/FONSI may be submitted by mail: Mr. William G. McMillan, U.S. Department of Energy, Oak Ridge Operations Office, PO Box 2001, Oak Ridge, Tennessee 37831, or by telephone (1-865-241-6426), or by fax (1-865-576-6074), or electronically at McMillanWG@oro.doe.gov, or by submitting comments to the NEPA e-mail box at NEPA@oro.doe.gov.

Copies of the Draft EA may also be obtained by contacting Mr. William McMillan by any of the means described