

property. The information is particularly used by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in:

- (a) Instructing an individual in starting the probate process;
- (b) Preparing a probate package for review;
- (c) Filing claims;
- (d) Disbursing assets; and
- (e) Filing appeals for adverse decisions.

#### Request for Comments

A notice requesting comments was published in the **Federal Register** November 1, 2006 (71 FR 64391). No comments were received. The Bureau of Indian Affairs now requests your comments on this collection be sent to the Desk Officer for the Department of Interior at the Office of Management and Budget. Please address the following:

(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 facilitating use of automation for collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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

OMB has 60 days in which to make a decision about this collection but may act after 30 days. Therefore, to ensure maximum consideration of your comments, please send close to the 30 days after publication.

*OMB Control Number:* 1076-0156.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Title:* Probate of Indian Estates, Except for Members of the Five Civilized Tribes, 25 CFR 15.

#### *Brief Description of Collection:*

Information is collected through the probate process when BIA learns of a decedent's death from a neighbor, friend, or any other interested person who provides a copy of decedent's obituary notice from a local newspaper or when BIA receives an affidavit of death prepared by someone who knows about the decedent. BIA also requires other documents to process the probate package. An interested party must

inform BIA if any of the documents or information identified are not available.

*Respondents:* Possible respondents include: Individual tribal members, individual non-Indians, individual tribal member-owned businesses, non-Indian owned businesses, tribal governments, and land owners who are seeking a benefit.

*Number of Responses:* 208,073 annually.

*Annual hours:* 1,129,157.

*Estimated Time per Response:* Varies from 1/2 to 44.25 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* As required.

Dated: February 23, 2007.

**Grayford Payne,**

*Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Documented Petitions for Federal Acknowledgment as an Indian Tribe, Submission to OMB for Renewal

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces that the Information Collection Request for Documented Petitions for Federal Acknowledgment as an Indian Tribe is submitted to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget for extension.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before March 30, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your written comments to Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, either by facsimile to 202-395-6566 or by e-mail to [OIRA\\_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov). Please send a duplicate copy to R. Lee Fleming, Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment, Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., MS-34B SIB, Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection submission should be directed to R. Lee Fleming, Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment, Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., MS-34B SIB, Washington, DC 20240. You may also call (202) 513-7650.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## I. Abstract

The information collection is needed to establish whether a petitioning group has the characteristics necessary to be acknowledged as having a government-to-government relationship with the United States. Federal recognition makes the group eligible for benefits from the Federal government. No respondents made any comments regarding this information collection.

## II. Method of Collection

The acknowledgment regulations at 25 CFR Part 83 contain seven criteria (§ 83.7) which unrecognized groups seeking Federal acknowledgment as Indian tribes must demonstrate that they meet. Information collected from petitioning groups under these regulations provides anthropological, genealogical and historical data used by the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs to establish whether a petitioning group has the characteristics necessary to be acknowledged as having a government-to-government relationship with the United States. BIA forms 8304, 8305, and 8306 are optional in providing a complete list of members of the group seeking recognition. Respondents are not required to retain copies of information submitted to the Department of the Interior but will probably maintain copies for their own use. No periodic reports are required.

## III. Data

*Title:* Documents for Petition for Federal Acknowledgment as an Indian Tribe, 25 CFR Part 83.

*OMB Control Number:* 1076-0104.

*Current Expiration Date:* February 28, 2007.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Entities:* Groups petitioning for Federal acknowledgment as Indian tribes.

*Response:* Respondents are seeking to obtain a benefit.

*Estimated Annual Number of Petitioners:* 10.

*Estimated Time per Petition:* 2,075 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 20,750.

## IV. Request for Comments

You are invited to comment on:

(a) Whether the collection of information is necessary 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 (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of

information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

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

(d) Ways to 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 collection techniques or forms of information technology.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish to request that we consider withholding your name, street address, and other contact information (such as Internet address, FAX, or phone number) from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comment. We will make available for public inspection in their entirety all submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses.

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.

OMB has up to 60 days to make a decision on the submission for renewal, but may make the decision after 30 days. Therefore, to receive the best consideration of your comments, you should submit them closer to 30 days than 60 days.

Dated: February 23, 2007.

**Grayford Payne,**

*Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

#### Privacy Act of 1974, as Amended; Amendment of an Existing System of Records

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

**ACTION:** Proposed amendment of an existing system of records.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a), the Office of the Secretary is issuing public notice of our intent to amend the existing Privacy Act system of records entitled, LLM-2 "Range Management System." The system notice is published in its entirety below. Editorial changes have been made to "Categories of individuals covered by the system" and "Categories of Records in the System" to clarify who is covered and the type of information in the system.

Under "Routine Uses," there are changes in the provisions for "Disclosures outside the Department of the Interior."

Changes are also made to the "Record access procedures" and "Retention and disposal" under "Policies and practices for storing, retrieving, accessing, retaining, and disposing of records in the system."

The Department of the Interior is issuing public notice of its intent to amend portions of an existing Privacy Act system of records subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a). This action is necessary to meet the requirements of the Privacy Act to publish in the **Federal Register** notice of amendment of an existing records system maintained by the agency (5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(4)).

**DATES:** 5 U.S.C. 552a(e)(11) requires that the public be provided a 30-day period in which to comment on the agency's intended use of the information in the system of records. The Office of Management and Budget, in its Circular A-130, requires an additional 10-day period (for a total of 40 days) in which to make these comments. Any persons interested in commenting on this proposed amendment may do so by submitting comments in writing to the Privacy Act Officer, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Washington, DC 20240. Comments received within 40 days of publication in the **Federal Register** will be considered. The system will be effective as proposed at the end of the comment period unless comments are received that would require a contrary

determination. The Department will publish a revised notice if changes are made based upon a review of comments received.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Roudabush, Acting Division Chief, Rangeland Resources Division, 1849 C St., NW., Room 201 LS, Washington, DC 20240, phone number 202-785-6569, or e-mail [Rob\\_Roudabush@blm.gov](mailto:Rob_Roudabush@blm.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The intent of amending this system notice is to align the LLM-2 system more closely with the mission of the BLM Rangeland Management Program, to address administrative changes and the current needs of the bureau, and to correct minor typographical errors. The following changes are being proposed to LLM-2.

The BLM is updating this system notice to delete the overly broad language of a Routine Use disclosure to certain members of the general public. BLM is further rewriting Routine Use (2) to assist Federal, State and local agencies to better manage their activities related to grazing programs.

Under "Categories of individuals covered by the system," "Individuals owning grazing leases and permits issued by BLM" is changed to "Individuals to whom BLM issues grazing leases and permits."

The "Categories of Records in the System" has been rewritten to clarify the types of information in the system and to make explicit that both paper and electronic records are included.

Routine Uses have been renumbered to reflect the deletion of one Routine Use.

A previous Routine Use that stated that the records would be released "to a member of the general public in response to a specific request for pertinent information," did not provide a discernable standard for determining the scope of the Routine Use.

Routine Use (2) has been revised to provide for release of information from the system to Federal, State and local agencies to enable them to adequately manage their activities relating to the BLM's grazing program. The changes to this Routine Use will assist in the efficient administration of Federal, State and local activities related to the BLM grazing program and is therefore compatible with the purpose for which we collected the information.

Under "Retention and disposal," we have updated the BLM manual section reference to the current manual section.

Under "Records Access Procedures," we have deleted the phrase "as specifically as possible." The Access