

are expanded, but with differing management approaches.

Alternative B: Increased Research and Management via Partnerships

Alternative B proposes increased research and management capability, primarily through the use of cooperative partnerships and outside funding, with a modest increase of staff (three positions for the Complex). Research would be enhanced beyond priority, high-profile imperiled species. Because much baseline data are needed beyond the current surveying and monitoring protocols, this alternative would seek to initiate studies of a broader suite of species and to document noted declines of refuge habitat and species (waterfowl) and climate-change impacts. Since the refuge is accessible mostly by water from off-site, non-Service-owned ramps, we would provide more complete information to help the public locate the refuge via water. Studies would be conducted to assess visitor and commercial use effects on refuge resources; further, in Citrus County, commercial uses would require a special use permit issued by the refuge. A volunteer coordinator position is proposed to expand the volunteer corps and programs and to train and use volunteers to promote interpretation, voluntary compliance with refuge regulations, and the new environmental education programs of the refuge.

Alternative C: Adaptive Management (Proposed Alternative)

Alternative C would also heavily rely on our extensive partnerships and promote some new ones. We would rely on and use a volunteer corps for every program area and investigate the use of prison crews for maintenance work. This alternative assumes Service funding above current levels for research studies and facilities development and proposes additional staffing (eight positions for the Complex), to provide optimal resource protection and management capability. Research would include a broader suite of species, as well as habitat studies to adaptively manage for wildlife populations. The impacts of commercial and visitor use and external threats to the refuge would be studied and the results of those studies applied to refuge management and public use. Upland uses would be promoted through the development of improved facilities and access, and an observation platform and kayak landing would be added to the Dog Island facility, accessed by boat. The addition of key positions, such as a law enforcement officer, a volunteer coordinator, and biological and

computer-mapping technicians, would allow for greater resource study, mapping, data analysis, and enforcement. The hiring of a wildlife refuge specialist and office assistant would support staff and provide a dedicated outreach coordinator. Refuge facilities would be improved for both visitor services and personnel, including projects to replace the headquarters office (to reduce flooding potential) and build a pole barn and make other smaller improvements to the maintenance area and shop. For all alternatives, "green" options, materials, and energy efficiency would be included in the design and construction of new facilities and in equipment replacement.

Next Step

After the comment period ends, we will analyze the comments and address them.

Public Availability of Comments

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.

Authority

This notice is published under the authority of the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 668dd et seq.).

Dated: April 17, 2012.

Mark J. Musaus,

Acting Regional Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Bureau of Indian Education 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 seeking comments on renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

approval for the collection of information for the Tribal Colleges and Universities Application for Grants, authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0018, and the Tribal Colleges and Universities Annual Report Form, authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0105. Both of these information collections expire September 30, 2012.

DATES: Submit comments on or before July 10, 2012.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collection to Juanita Keesing, 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, (202) 208-3559.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Each tribally-controlled college or university requesting financial assistance under the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act of 1978, as amended, 25 U.S.C. 1801 et seq. (Act) is required by 25 U.S.C. 1807(a) and 25 CFR 41.8 to provide information for the purpose of securing a grant. Similarly, each tribally-controlled college or university that receives financial assistance under the Act is required by 25 U.S.C. 1808(c)(1) and 25 CFR 41.9 to provide a report on the use of funds received.

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: 1076–0018.

Title: Tribal Colleges and Universities Application for Grants Form.

Brief Description of Collection:

Collection of the information is mandatory under the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act of 1978, as amended, 25 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*, for the respondent to receive or maintain a benefit.

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

Respondents: Tribal college and university administrators.

Number of Respondents: 26 per year, on average.

Total Number of Responses: 26 per year, on average.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 26 hours.

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OMB Control Number: 1076–0105.

Title: Tribal Colleges and Universities Annual Report Form.

Brief Description of Collection:

Collection of the information is mandatory under the Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities Assistance Act of 1978, as amended, 25 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*, for the respondent to receive or maintain a benefit, specifically an operating grant.

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

Respondents: Tribal college and university administrators.

Number of Respondents: 26 per year, on average.

Frequency of Response: Annually.

Estimated Time per Response: 3 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 78 hours.

Dated: May 4, 2012.

Alvin Foster,

Assistant Director for Information Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Arizona

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Filing of Plats of Survey; Arizona.

SUMMARY: The plats of survey of the described lands were officially filed in the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, Phoenix, Arizona, on dates indicated.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

The plat (in 6 sheets) representing the dependent resurvey, subdivision of sections 25 & 33 and metes-and-bounds survey of the Wabayuma Peak Wilderness Boundary, Township 19 North, Range 16 West, accepted April 26, 2012, and officially filed May 1, 2012, for Group 983, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Land Management.

A person or party who wishes to protest against any of these surveys must file a written protest with the Arizona State Director, Bureau of Land Management, stating that they wish to protest.

A statement of reasons for a protest may be filed with the notice of protest to the State Director, or the statement of reasons must be filed with the State Director within thirty (30) days after the protest is filed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

These plats will be available for inspection in the Arizona State Office, Bureau of Land Management, One North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, Arizona, 85004–4427. Persons who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

Stephen K. Hansen,

Chief Cadastral Surveyor of Arizona.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Gila and Salt River Meridian, Arizona

The plat representing a dependent resurvey and metes-and-bounds surveys in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ and in the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 26, Township 3 North, Range 5 East, accepted April 23, 2012, and officially filed April 25, 2012, for Group 1102, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Reclamation.

The plat representing a dependent resurvey, subdivision of section and metes-and-bounds surveys in Sections 25 and 36, Township 5 North, Range 2 East, accepted April 23, 2012, and officially filed April 25, 2012, for Group 1102, Arizona.

This plat was prepared at the request of the Bureau of Reclamation.

A person or party who wishes to protest against any of these surveys must file a written protest with the Arizona State Director, Bureau of Land Management, stating that they wish to protest.

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