**Justification for Change**

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**Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO): Collections Assessment for Preservation Program (CAP) – Notice of Funding Opportunity**

IMLS is requesting a change to a previously approved clearance in order to change the Collections Assessment for Preservation Program. This updated grant program clearance is requesting the same expiration date of 07/31/2018.

**Request abstract:**

The information collections in this package include the guidelines and instructions to apply for IMLS support in the Collections Assessment for Preservation Program.

**Justification for the Collections Assessment for Preservation Program**

The Collections Assessment for Preservation Program (CAP) is supported through a cooperative agreement between the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Foundation of the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works, Inc. (FAIC).

The Collections Assessment for Preservation Program will build upon the former CAP program (Conservation Assessment Program) that was funded by IMLS and administered by Heritage Preservation for 24 years, until Heritage Preservation ceased operations in 2015. The new program will continue to support collections assessments for small and medium-sized museums throughout the nation.

FAIC is currently developing the systems and infrastructure needed to run the program, and plans to announce the first call for applications from museums to participate in the program in the fall of 2016 with an early 2017 deadline.

The respondent burden should remain the same.