

III. Findings and Certifications

Environmental Impact

This notice sets forth rate determinations and related external administrative requirements and procedures that do not constitute a development decision affecting the physical condition of specific project areas or building sites. Accordingly, under 24 CFR 50.19(c)(6), this notice is categorically excluded from environmental review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321).

Paperwork Reduction Act

This notice does not impact the information collection requirements already submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520). In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number for this program is 14.195.

Dated: October 27, 2017.

Dana T. Wade,

General Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Housing.

APPENDIX

Operating Cost Adjustment Factors for 2018

State	OCAF (%)
Alabama	2.3
Alaska	2.9
Arizona	2.0
Arkansas	2.2
California	2.4
Colorado	1.9
Connecticut	2.2
Delaware	2.1
District of Columbia	2.0
Florida	2.1
Georgia	2.2
Hawaii	0.9
Idaho	2.4
Illinois	2.2
Indiana	2.1
Iowa	2.5
Kansas	2.4
Kentucky	2.1
Louisiana	2.1
Maine	1.6
Maryland	2.3
Massachusetts	1.9
Michigan	2.2
Minnesota	2.2
Mississippi	2.0
Missouri	1.8

State	OCAF (%)
Montana	1.9
Nebraska	2.2
Nevada	1.8
New Hampshire	2.0
New Jersey	2.4
New Mexico	1.7
New York	2.0
North Carolina	2.1
North Dakota	2.5
Ohio	1.9
Oklahoma	2.1
Oregon	2.3
Pacific Islands	0.9
Pennsylvania	2.1
Puerto Rico	2.0
Rhode Island	1.9
South Carolina	2.3
South Dakota	2.4
Tennessee	2.2
Texas	2.2
Utah	2.2
Vermont	2.2
Virgin Islands	2.0
Virginia	2.1
Washington	2.3
West Virginia	2.8
Wisconsin	2.3
Wyoming	2.1
U.S.	2.2

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

[189A2100DD/AAKC001030/
 AOA501010.999900 253G; OMB Control
 Number 1076–0131]

**Agency Information Collection
 Activities; Indian Child Welfare
 Quarterly and Annual Report**

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 2, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the information collection request (ICR) by mail to Ms. Evangeline Campbell, Chief, Division of Human Services, Office of Indian Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street NW., MS–4513–MIB, Washington, DC 20240; facsimile: (202) 208–5113; email: *Evangeline.Campbell@bia.gov*. Please reference OMB Control Number 1076–

0131 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Ms. Evangeline Campbell, (202) 513–7621.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

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

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. 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.

Abstract: The BIA is seeking to renew the information collection conducted under 25 CFR 23, related to the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). BIA collects information using a consolidated caseload form, which tribal ICWA program directors fill out. BIA uses the information to determine the extent of service needs in local Indian communities, assess ICWA program effectiveness, and provide data for the annual program budget justification. The aggregated report is not considered confidential.

This form must be completed by tribes that operate child protection programs.

Submission of this information by Indian tribes allows BIA to consolidate and review selected data on Indian child welfare cases. The data is useful on a local level, to the tribes and tribal entities that collect it, for case management purposes. The data are useful on a nationwide basis for planning and budget purposes.

Title of Collection: Indian Child Welfare Quarterly and Annual Report.

OMB Control Number: 1076–0131.

Form Number: N/A.

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

Respondents/Affected Public: Indian tribes or tribal entities that are operating programs for Indian tribes.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: Approximately 536 per year, on average, for part A—ICWA Data; approximately 200 per year, on average, for part B—Tribal Child Abuse Neglect Data.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: Approximately 2,144 per year, on average, for part A—ICWA Data; approximately 800 per year, on average, for part B—Tribal Child Abuse Neglect Data.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: Approximately 15 minutes for part A—ICWA Data; approximately 15 minutes for part B—Tribal Child Abuse and Neglect Data.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 736 hours, on average.

Respondent's Obligation: A response is required to obtain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: Four times per year for the part A—ICWA Data; if applicable, four times per year for part B—Tribal Child Abuse Neglect Data.

Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost: \$0.

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.

The authority for this action is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*)

Elizabeth K. Appel,

Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action, Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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Number 1076–0168]**

Agency Information Collection Activities; Tribal Probate Codes

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is proposing to renew an information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before January 2, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Send your comments on the information collection request (ICR) by mail to Ms. Charlene Toledo, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Services, Division of Probate Services, 2600 N Central Ave., STE MS 102, Phoenix, AZ 85004; or email to Charlene.Toledo@bia.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 1076–0168 in the subject line of your comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request additional information about this ICR, contact Ms. Charlene Toledo by telephone at (505) 563–3371.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we provide the general public and other Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on new, proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand our information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format.

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

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of

public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. 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.

Abstract: As sovereignties, federally recognized tribes have the right to establish their own probate codes. When those probate codes govern the descent and distribution of trust or restricted property, they must be approved by the Secretary of the Department of the Interior. The American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004 (AIPRA) amendments to the Indian Land Consolidation Act, 25 U.S.C. 2201 *et seq.*, provides that any tribal probate code, any amendment to a tribal probate code, and any free-standing single heir rule are subject to the approval of the Secretary if they contain provisions governing trust lands. This statute also establishes the basic review and approval of tribal probate codes. This information collection covers tribes' submission of tribal probate codes, amendments, and free-standing single heir rules containing provisions regarding trust lands to the Secretary for approval. Submission of information is required to comply with ILCA, as amended by AIPRA, 25 U.S.C. 2201 *et seq.*, which provides that Indian tribes must obtain Secretarial approval for all tribal probate codes, amendments, and free-standing single heir rules that govern the descent and distribution of trust or restricted lands.

Title of Collection: Tribal Probate Codes.

OMB Control Number: 1076–0168.

Form Number: N/A.

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

Respondents/Affected Public: Indian tribes.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 10 on average.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 10 on average.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: 2 hours.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 20 hours.

Respondent's Obligation: A response is required to obtain a benefit.

Frequency of Collection: One per respondent, on occasion.