**SUPPORTING STATEMENT PART B.**

**Evaluation of the Pacific Islands Managed and Protected Area Community (PIMPAC)**

**OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-xxxx**

**B. COLLECTIONS OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS**

*(If your collection does not employ statistical methods, just say that and delete the following five questions from the format.)*

**1. Describe (including a numerical estimate) the potential respondent universe and any sampling or other respondent selection method used. Provide data on the number of entities (e.g., establishments, State and local governmental units, households, or persons) in the universe and the corresponding sample in tabular form. The tabulation must also include expected response rates for the collection as a whole. If the collection has been conducted before, provide the actual response rate achieved.**

Below is a list of the individuals we plan to interview. We are using purposeful sampling.

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| **PIMPAC Interview List: Expected Response Rate=90-100%** |
| **Location** | **Organization** | **number of identified respondents** |
| Palau | NGO | 7 |
| *Palau* | Local Government | *1* |
| Guam | NGO | *3* |
| Guam | Local Government | *2* |
| Guam | Federal | *1*  |
| Guam | contractor | *1* |
| CNMI | NGO | *3* |
| CNMI | Federal | *2* |
| Chuuk | NGO | *1* |
| Chuuk | Local Government | *2* |
| Yap | NGO | 6 |
| Pohnpei | NGO | 10 |
| Pohnpei | NGO | Vanessa |
| Kosrae | NGO | 4 |
| RMI | NGO | 4 |
| RMI | Local Government | 1 |
| Hawaii | NGO | 7 |
| Hawaii | Local Government | 3 |
| Hawaii | Federal | 2 |
| Hawaii | contractor | 1 |
|  |  |  |
| American Samoa | Local Government | 2 |
| American Samoa | Federal | 1 |
| American Samoa | contractor | 1 |
| Other | NGO | 6 |
| Other | Local Government | 3 |
| Other | Federal | 3 |

**2. Describe the procedures for the collection, including: the statistical methodology for stratification and sample selection; the estimation procedure; the degree of accuracy needed for the purpose described in the justification; any unusual problems requiring specialized sampling procedures; and any use of periodic (less frequent than annual) data collection cycles to reduce burden.**

Enumerators will contact the individuals listed in the table above, set up a time for an in person interview or an interview over the phone for Skype. Responses to the questions will be recorded on a laptop in Microsoft Word. No statistics will be used during collection. There is no a required accuracy. We will work with the response rate we receive. Because of the simplicity of the survey design, just being interviews, we do not anticipate any unusual problems requiring specialized sampling procedures or any use of periodic (less frequent than annual) data collection cycles to reduce burden.

**3. Describe the methods used to maximize response rates and to deal with nonresponse. The accuracy and reliability of the information collected must be shown to be adequate for the intended uses. For collections based on sampling, a special justification must be provided if they will not yield "reliable" data that can be generalized to the universe studied.**

To maximize response rates, we will schedule meetings as far in advance as possible and also try to remain flexible with scheduling to accommodate to unexpected interview cancelations/delays. If an in person interview is missed we will try to reschedule the interview over the phone or via Skype.

We are using purposeful sampling and are confident it will result in reliable data.

**4. Describe any tests of procedures or methods to be undertaken. Tests are encouraged as effective means to refine collections, but if ten or more test respondents are involved OMB must give prior approval.**

Pre-tests of the survey will be conducted with 2 individuals, in person, in Hawaii, one individual in Palau and two individuals based on the Federated States of Micronesia over the phone.

**5. Provide the name and telephone number of individuals consulted on the statistical aspects of the design, and the name of the agency unit, contractor(s), grantee(s), or other person(s) who will actually collect and/or analyze the information for the agency.**

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