

**SUMMARY:** We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce our intention to conduct a 5-year status review under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, for the Eskimo curlew. A 5-year status review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review. We are requesting submission of any new information that has become available since the last review of the species in 2016.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, we must receive your comments and information by September 27, 2021. However, we will accept information about the species at any time.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit your information by one of the following methods:

- *Email:* Daniel\_Rizzolo@fws.gov; or
- *U.S. mail:* U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Attention: Dan Rizzolo, Fisheries and Ecological Services, 101 12th Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.

For more about submitting information, see Request for Information in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dan Rizzolo, by telephone at 907-456-0227. Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800-877-8339 for TTY assistance.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** We are initiating a 5-year status review under the ESA for the Eskimo curlew (*Numenius borealis*). A 5-year status review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any new information on this species that has become available since the last 5-year review was conducted in 2016.

#### Why do we conduct 5-year reviews?

Under the ESA, we maintain Lists of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants (which we collectively refer to as the List) in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.11 (for animals) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the ESA requires us to review each listed species' status at least once every 5 years. Further, our regulations at 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing those species under active review. For additional information about 5-year reviews, go to <http://www.fws.gov/endangered/what-we-do/recovery-overview.html>.

#### What information do we consider in our reviews?

In conducting these reviews, we consider the best scientific and commercial data that have become available since the listing determination or most recent status review, such as:

- (1) The biology of the species, including but not limited to population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics;
- (2) Habitat conditions, including but not limited to amount, distribution, and suitability;
- (3) Conservation measures that have been implemented that benefit the species;
- (4) Threat status and trends in relation to the five listing factors (as defined in section 4(a)(1) of the ESA); and
- (5) Other new information, data, or corrections, including but not limited to taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, identification of erroneous information contained in the List, and improved analytical methods.

Any new information will be considered during the 5-year review and will also be useful in evaluating the ongoing recovery programs for the species.

In the case of the Eskimo curlew, we concluded in our 2016 5-year review that the probability that the species remained extant was extremely low based on the scarcity of recent sightings and the length of time that has passed since the last sighting that was confirmed with physical evidence. We will therefore focus this 5-year review upon reported sightings or other recent information on the species' possible existence. Thus, we ask, in particular, for information on recent sightings, including indication as to whether corroborating evidence (such as photographs) is available.

#### Species Under Review

*Entity listed:* Eskimo curlew (*Numenius borealis*).

- *Where listed:* Wherever found.
- *Classification:* Endangered.
- *Date listed (publication date for final listing rule):* March 11, 1967, under the Endangered Species Preservation Act of 1966.
- *Federal Register citation for final listing rule:* 32 FR 4001.

#### Request for Information

To ensure that a 5-year review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we request new information from all sources. See What Information Do We Consider in Our Review? for specific criteria. If you

submit information, please support it with documentation such as maps, bibliographic references, methods used to gather and analyze the data, and/or copies of any pertinent publications, reports, or letters by knowledgeable sources.

#### Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, 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.

#### Completed and Active Reviews

A list of all completed and currently active 5-year status reviews addressing species for which the Alaska Region of the Service has the lead responsibility is available at <https://www.fws.gov/alaska/pages/endangered-species-program/recovery-endangered-species>.

#### Authority

This document is published under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

#### Peter Fasbender,

*Assistant Regional Director, Fisheries and Ecological Services, Alaska Region.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Number 1076-0169]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Probate of Indian Estates, Except for Members of the Osage Nation and Five Civilized Tribes

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

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

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

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before August 27, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments on this information collection request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget's Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior by email at [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov); or via facsimile to (202) 395-5806. Please provide a copy of your comments to Ms. Charlene Toledo, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Trust Services, Division of Probate Services 1001 Indian School Road MS 44, Albuquerque NM 87104; or email to [Charlene.Toledo@bia.gov](mailto:Charlene.Toledo@bia.gov). Please reference OMB Control Number 1076-0169 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. You may also view the ICR at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

**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.

A **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day public comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on April 19, 2021 (86 FR 20402). No comments were received.

We are again 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. 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 Secretary of the Interior probates the estates of individual Indians owning trust or restricted property in accordance with 25 U.S.C. 372-373. In order to compile the probate file, the BIA must obtain the family heirship data regarding the deceased from individuals and the tribe. This section contains the procedures that the Secretary of the Interior follows to initiate the probate of the trust estate for a deceased person who owns an interest in trust or restricted property. The Secretary must perform the necessary research of family heirship data collection requests in this part to obtain the information necessary to compile an accurate and complete probate file. This file will be forwarded to the Office of Hearing and Appeals (OHA) for disposition. Responses to these information collection requests are required to create a probate file for the decedent's estate so that OHA can determine the heirs of the decedent and order distribution of the trust assets in the decedent's estate.

**Title of Collection:** Probate of Indian Estates, Except for Members of the Osage Nation and Five Civilized Tribes.

**OMB Control Number:** 1076-0169.

**Form Number:** None.

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

**Respondents/Affected Public:** Indians, businesses, and tribal authorities.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents:** 36,906 per year.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:** 41,139 per year.

**Estimated Completion Time per Response:** Varies from 0.5 hours to 45 hours.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 617,486 per year.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Required to Obtain a Benefit.

**Frequency of Collection:** Once per respondent per year.

**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

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

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### Indian Gaming; Approval of Tribal-State Class III Gaming Compact in the State of Louisiana

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice publishes the approval of the Amendment to the Tribal-State Compact for the Conduct of Class III Gaming between the Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana (Tribe) and the State of Louisiana (State).

**DATES:** The compact takes effect on July 28, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Paula L. Hart, Director, Office of Indian Gaming, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary—Policy and Economic Development, Washington, DC 20240, [paula.hart@bia.gov](mailto:paula.hart@bia.gov), (202) 219-4066.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under section 11 of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA), Public Law 100-497, 25 U.S.C. 2701 *et seq.*, the Secretary of the Interior shall publish in the **Federal Register** notice of approved Tribal-State compacts for the purpose of engaging in Class III gaming activities on Indian lands. As required by 25 CFR 293.4, all compacts and amendments are subject to review and approval by the Secretary. The Compact extends the term of the compact to 30 years, with automatic renewals, and increases the licensing threshold for non-gaming vendors to \$500,000. The Compact is approved.

**Bryan Newland,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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