

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Bureau of Indian Affairs**

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1076-0122]

**Agency Information Collection
Activities; Submission to the Office of
Management and Budget for Review
and Approval; Data Elements for
Bureau-Funded Schools**

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 Education (BIE) are
proposing to renew an information
collection with revisions.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to
submit comments on or before June 30,
2023.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and
recommendations for the proposed
information collection request (ICR)
should be sent within 30 days of
publication of this notice to the Office
of Information and Regulatory Affairs
(OIRA) through https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRA/ICRPublicCommentRequest?ref_nbr=202301-1076-001 or by visiting
<https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain> and selecting “Currently
under Review—Open for Public
Comments” and then scrolling down to
the “Department of the Interior.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Steven Mullen, Information Collection
Clearance Officer, by email at
comments@bia.gov or telephone at (202)
924-2650. Individuals in the United
States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of
hearing, or have a speech disability may
dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to
access telecommunications relay
services. You may also view the ICR at
[https://www.reginfo.gov/public/
Forward?SearchTarget=PRA&textfield=
1076-0122](https://www.reginfo.gov/public/Forward?SearchTarget=PRA&textfield=1076-0122).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In
accordance with the Paperwork
Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA, 44 U.S.C.
3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 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 March 2,
2023 (88 FR 13145). BIE received one
comment.

Comment: Commentor opposes the
BIE proposal for a referral intake form
to facilitate virtual counseling and crisis
services and believes the new form
would place undue burden on schools,
especially those without a counselor on
staff.

Agency Response to Comment: BIE
wholeheartedly appreciates schools are
limited in both capacity and resources.
To clarify, BIE’s program seeks to
connect schools to federally-funded
virtual counseling and crisis services.
The proposed action would not create a
regulatory requirement for schools to
provide counseling services; and it
would not require Tribal schools/
organizations to have a counselor on
staff. BIE’s Behavioral Health and
Wellness Program (BHWP) is an
optional resource for students and staff
at all Bureau-funded programs,
departments, and institutions—
including Bureau operated schools,
Tribally controlled schools, post-
secondary institutions, and Tribal
colleges and universities. The purpose
of the referral intake form is to collect
information necessary to facilitate
virtual counseling and crisis services.

As part of our continuing effort to
reduce paperwork and respondent
burdens, we are again soliciting
comments from the public and other
Federal agencies on the proposed ICR
that is described below. We are
especially interested in public comment
addressing the following:

(1) Whether or not the collection of
information is necessary for the proper
performance of the functions of the
agency, including whether or not the
information will have practical utility;
(2) The accuracy of our estimate of the
burden for this collection of
information, including the validity of
the methodology and assumptions used;
(3) Ways to enhance the quality,
utility, and clarity of the information to
be collected; and

(4) How might the agency minimize
the burden of the collection of
information on those who are to
respond, including through the use of
appropriate automated, electronic,
mechanical, or other technological
collection techniques or other forms of
information technology, *e.g.*, permitting
electronic submission of response.

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.

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Abstract: The Secretary of the Interior,
through the Bureau of Indian Education
(BIE), is required by the Snyder Act (25
U.S.C. 13), Indian Self-Determination
and Education Assistance Act of 1975
(25 U.S.C. 5301), Education
Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2001),
Augustus F. Hawkins-Robert T. Stafford
Elementary and Secondary School
Improvement Amendments of 1988 (20
U.S.C. 6301 *et seq.*), and Every Student
Succeeds Act (20 U.S.C. 6301) to
provide educational services to federally
recognized Indians and Alaska Natives.
In addition, 25 CFR 43, Maintenance
and Control of Student Records in
Bureau Schools, contain regulations
governing the maintenance, control, and
accessibility of student records.

BIE’s Student Enrollment Application
is utilized by schools operated or
funded by BIE. The information is
collected by school registrars to
determine the student’s eligibility for
enrollment in a bureau-operated school,
and if eligible, is shared with
appropriate school officials to identify
the student’s base and supplemental
educational and/or residential program
needs. The information is compiled into
a national database by the Bureau of
Indian Education to facilitate budget
requests and the allocation of
congressionally appropriated funds.

BIE’s Behavioral Health and Wellness
Program (BHWP) is focused on
providing indigenous focused,
evidence-based, and trauma-informed
behavioral health and wellness services/
resources for students and staff at all
Bureau-funded programs, departments,
and institutions including Bureau
operated schools, Tribally controlled
schools, post-secondary institutions,
and Tribal colleges and universities.

Proposed Revisions

BIE proposes a referral intake form to
facilitate federally-funded virtual
counseling and crisis services. All data
collected for the BHWP will only be
utilized for establishing the appropriate
level of care, assessing client safety,
ensuring services are individualized to
meet the client’s specific needs, and
providing clients with external referrals,

as needed. The BHWP counseling and crisis services are optional—BIE regulations do not require a school to participate in the BHWP.

Title of Collection: Data Elements for Bureau-Funded Schools.

OMB Control Number: 1076–0122.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals, Contract and Grant schools, and Bureau-funded schools.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Respondents: 49,000 per year, on average.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 49,000 per year, on average.

Estimated Completion Time per Response: 15 to 30 minutes.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 12,500 hours.

Frequency of Collection: Occasionally, required to obtain a benefit.

Total Estimated Annual Nonhour Burden Cost: \$0.

Authority

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.*).

Steven Mullen,

*Information Collection Clearance Officer,
Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative
Action—Indian Affairs.*

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Receipt of Documented Petition for Federal Acknowledgment as an American Indian Tribe

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Interior (Department) gives notice that the group known as the Butte Tribe of Bayou Bourbeaux has filed a documented petition for Federal acknowledgment as an American Indian Tribe with the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs. The Department seeks comment and evidence from the public on the petition.

DATES: Comments and evidence must be postmarked by September 28, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the narrative portion of the documented petition, as submitted by the petitioner (with any redactions appropriate under 25 CFR 83.21(b)), and other information are available at OFA's website: www.bia.gov/as-ia/ofa. Submit any comments or evidence to: Department of the Interior, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Attention: Office of Federal Acknowledgment, Mail Stop 4071 MIB, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240, or by email to: lee.fleming@bia.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. R. Lee Fleming, OFA Director, Office of the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, telephone: (202) 513–7650.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 31, 2015, the Department's revisions to 25 CFR part 83 became final and effective (80 FR 37861). A key goal of the revisions was to improve transparency through increased notice of petitions and providing improved public access to petitions. Today the Department informs the public that a complete documented petition has been submitted under the current regulations, that portions of that petition are publicly available on the website identified above for easy access, and that we are seeking public comment early in the process on this petition.

Under 25 CFR 83.22(b)(1), OFA publishes notice that the following group has filed a documented petition for Federal acknowledgment as an American Indian Tribe to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs: Butte Tribe of Bayou Bourbeaux c/o Mr. Rodger Collum, 1458 Highway 1226, Natchitoches, Louisiana 71457.

Also, under 25 CFR 83.22(b)(1), OFA publishes on its website the following:

- i. The narrative portion of the documented petition, as submitted by the petitioner (with any redactions appropriate under 25 CFR 83.21(b));
- ii. The name, location, and mailing address of the petitioner and other information to identify the entity;
- iii. The date of receipt;
- iv. The opportunity for individuals and entities to submit comments and evidence supporting or opposing the petitioner's request for acknowledgment within 120 days of the date of the website posting; and
- v. The opportunity for individuals and entities to request to be kept informed of general actions regarding a specific petitioner.

The Department publishes this notice and request for comment in the exercise of authority delegated by the Secretary

of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Bryan Newland,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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HEARTH Act Approval of Pueblo of Santa Clara, New Mexico Business and Residential Leasing Ordinance

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) approved the Pueblo of Santa Clara's Leasing Ordinance under the Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Homeownership Act of 2012 (HEARTH Act). With this approval, the Tribe is authorized to enter into business and residential leases without further BIA approval.

DATES: BIA issued the approval on May 24, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Carla Clark, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Real Estate Services, 1001 Indian School Road NW, Albuquerque, NM 87104, carla.clark@bia.gov, (702) 484–3233.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Summary of the HEARTH Act

The HEARTH Act makes a voluntary, alternative land leasing process available to Tribes, by amending the Indian Long-Term Leasing Act of 1955, 25 U.S.C. 415. The HEARTH Act authorizes Tribes to negotiate and enter into business leases of Tribal trust lands with a primary term of 25 years, and up to two renewal terms of 25 years each, without the approval of the Secretary of the Interior (Secretary). The HEARTH Act also authorizes Tribes to enter into leases for residential, recreational, religious or educational purposes for a primary term of up to 75 years without the approval of the Secretary. Participating Tribes develop Tribal Leasing regulations, including an environmental review process, and then must obtain the Secretary's approval of those regulations prior to entering into leases. The HEARTH Act requires the Secretary to approve Tribal regulations if the Tribal regulations are consistent with the Department of the Interior's (Department) leasing regulations at 25