

information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

### C. Authority

Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35.

#### Steven Durham,

*Acting Chief, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-6389-N-01]

### Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Program; Reduction to the Upfront and Annual Loan Guarantee Fees

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Section 184 Indian Housing Loan Guarantee program (“Section 184 program”) is a home mortgage program specifically designed for American Indian and Alaska Native families, Alaska villages, Tribes, or Tribally Designated Housing Entities. Congress established this program in 1992 to facilitate homeownership and increase access to capital in Native American communities. Based on the Section 184 program’s strong performance and low default rate, HUD has determined that the fees charged to the borrower can be reduced without risk to the overall performance of the program. HUD is hereby exercising its authority to decrease the upfront loan guarantee fee from 1.50 to 1.00 percent and the annual loan guarantee fee from 0.25 to 0.00 percent for all new or updated Section 184 Firm Commitments as of the effective date of this Notice, including refinances.

**DATES:** *Applicable Date:* July 1, 2023.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Heidi J. Frechette, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Native American Programs, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 4108, Washington, DC 20410; telephone number 202-401-7914 (this is not a toll-free number). HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals

with speech or communication disabilities. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, please visit <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Background

Section 184 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-550, approved October 28, 1992), as amended, established the Section 184 program to provide access to sources of private mortgage financing to Indian families, Indian housing authorities, and Indian tribes. Congress established this program in 1992 to facilitate homeownership and increase access to capital in Native American Communities. The Section 184 program addresses obstacles to mortgage financing on trust land and in other Indian and Alaska Native areas by giving HUD the authority to guarantee loans to eligible persons and entities to construct, acquire, refinance, or rehabilitate one- to four-family dwellings in these areas.

The Section 184 program is funded by a combination of annual appropriations and upfront and annual fees collected from the borrower. Program costs include amounts for claims, contracts, and other expenses related to foreclosure. To ensure the program has enough funding, pursuant to 12 U.S.C. 1715z-13a(d) and 24 CFR 1005.109, HUD has the authority to establish an upfront loan guarantee fee in an amount not exceeding 3.00 percent of the principal obligation of the loan and an annual loan guarantee fee in an amount not exceeding 1.00 percent of the remaining guaranteed balance.

On March 5, 2014, HUD issued a Notice increasing the upfront loan guarantee fee from 1.00 to 1.50 percent. (79 FR 12520). The new loan guarantee fee became effective on April 4, 2014.

On October 7, 2014, HUD issued a Notice exercising its statutory authority to implement an annual loan guarantee fee to the borrower in the amount of 0.15 percent. (79 FR 60492). The new annual loan guarantee fee became effective on November 15, 2014.

On November 1, 2016, HUD issued a second Notice increasing the annual loan guarantee fee from 0.15 to 0.25 percent. (81 FR 75836). The new annual loan guarantee fee became effective on December 1, 2016.

Since 2016, the Section 184 program has consistently experienced a very low default rate. Lenders are doing a better job of underwriting and servicing the loans, and Tribes continue to proactively provide housing counseling

and support in an effort to keep Native American families in their homes. These factors have strengthened the financial performance of the Section 184 program. As a result, the program can support a reduction of loan guarantee fees to Native American borrowers without increasing financial risk to the Fund.

The reduction in fees will make Section 184 loans more affordable to Native American families and help remove barriers to private financial capital. Reducing the upfront and annual loan guarantee fees will have a positive financial impact on a typical borrower. Under the revised fee structure, the average family could save almost \$5,700 over the course of the loan, which is a meaningful savings for an average Native American family.

##### II. Reduction of the Upfront and Annual Loan Guarantee Fee

This Notice reduces the Section 184 program upfront loan guarantee fee from 1.50 to 1.00 percent and the annual loan guarantee fee from 0.25 to 0.00 percent. This reduction will apply to all Section 184 program applicants receiving a new or updated Section 184 Firm Commitment as of the applicable date of this Notice, including refinances. This reduction will not apply to loans currently guaranteed by this program.

##### III. Environmental Impact

This Notice involves the establishment of a rate or cost determination that does 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 (U.S.C. 4321).

#### Dominique Blom,

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-7075-N-05]

### 60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Application for Distressed Cities Technical Assistance NOFO; OMB Control No.: 2528-0326

**AGENCY:** Office of Policy Development and Research, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* July 3, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection can be sent within 60 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain). Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 60-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function. Interested persons are also invited to submit comments regarding this proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and can be sent to: Anna Guido, Reports Management Officer, REE, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 8210, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone 202–402–5535 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at [PaperworkReductionActOffice@hud.gov](mailto:PaperworkReductionActOffice@hud.gov) for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anna Guido, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20410; email Anna Guido at [Anna.P.Guido@hud.gov](mailto:Anna.P.Guido@hud.gov), telephone 202–402–5535 (this is not a toll-free number). HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals with speech or communication disabilities. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, please visit <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Guido.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in section A.

#### A. Overview of Information Collection

*Title of Information Collection:* Application for Distressed Cities Technical Assistance NOFO.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2528–0326.

*Type of Request:* Renewal of an existing collection.

*Form Number:* SF–424, SF–LLL, HUD–2880. HUD–424–B.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* Application information is needed to determine the competition winners, *i.e.*, the technical assistance providers best able to help distressed communities adopt effective, efficient, and sustainable financial management practices, build capacity for financial management, economic revitalization, affordable housing, and disaster recovery, and improve knowledge of federal development programs.

*Respondents:* Organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 10.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 44 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* 1.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 440 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost:* \$11,000.

*Legal Authority:* Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35.

#### B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in section A on the following:

- (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- (2) The accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected, and
- (4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

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#### C. Authority

Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507.

**Todd M. Richardson,**

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Office of the Secretary

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### Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Interior.

**ACTION:** Rescindment of a system of records notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Interior (Interior, Department) is issuing a public notice of its intent to rescind the Privacy Act system of records notice (SORN) for INTERIOR/DOI–88, Travel Management: FBMS, because agency travel program records are covered by two government-wide SORNs published by the General Services Administration (GSA). This rescindment will promote the overall streamlining and management of Interior’s Privacy Act systems of records.

**DATES:** These changes take effect on May 4, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments identified by docket number [DOI–2023–0004] by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for sending comments.

- *Email:* [DOI\\_Privacy@ios.doi.gov](mailto:DOI_Privacy@ios.doi.gov). Include docket number [DOI–2023–0004] in the subject line of the message.

- *U.S. mail or hand-delivery:* Teri Barnett, Departmental Privacy Officer, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, Room 7112, Washington, DC 20240.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number [DOI–2023–0004]. All comments received will be posted without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

*Docket:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>.

You should be aware your entire comment including your personally identifiable information, such as your address, phone number, email address, or any other personal information in your comment, may be made publicly available at any time. While you may request to withhold your personally identifiable information from public review, we cannot guarantee we will be able to do so.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Teri Barnett, Departmental Privacy Officer, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C