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Comments may be sent by the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and, in the "Search" box, type in the Docket No. located at the beginning of this notice. A link to the Notice will appear. You may submit a comment here by selecting the "Comment" button or you can access the "Docket" tab, select the "Notice," and go to the "Browse & Comment on Documents" Tab. Here you may view comments that have been submitted as well as submit a comment. To submit a comment, select the "Comment" button, complete the required information, and select the "Submit Comment" button at the bottom. Information on using [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov), including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site's "FAQ" link at the bottom.

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Title: Telecommunications System Construction Policies and Procedures.

OMB Control Number: 0572-0059.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: In order to facilitate the programmatic interest of the RE Act, and, in order to assure that loans made or guaranteed by the Agency are

adequately secured, the Agency, as a secured lender, has established certain forms for materials, equipment and construction of electric and telecommunications systems. The use of standard forms, construction contracts, and procurement procedures helps assure the Agency that appropriate standards and specifications are maintained, the Agency's loan security is not adversely affected; and the loan response. In an effort to improve customer service provided to RUS rural borrowers, the Agency continues to revise, consolidate, and/or streamline its current contracts and contracting procedures.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.32 hours per response.

Respondents: Public bodies, not for profits or Indian Tribes.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,435.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 3,337.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.33.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 7,705 Hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Pamela Bennett, Rural Development Innovation Center—Regulations Management Division, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, South Building, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Email: pamela.bennett@usda.gov.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Andrew Berke,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

[Docket No. RUS-24-WATER-0018]

Notice of Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 the Rural Utilities Service (RUS or Agency), an agency within the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Development (RD), announces its intention to request a revision to a currently approved information collection package for Water and Waste

Disposal Loans and Grants (WWLG), Water and Waste Facility Loans and Grants to Alleviate Health Risks for Colonias, Water and Waste Facility Loans and Grants to Alleviate Health Risks on Tribal Lands, Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (ECWAG), and Grants for Rural Alaskan Village (RAVG) programs. The Agency invites comments on this information collection for which it intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by October 15, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katherine Anne Mathis, RD Innovation Center—Regulations Management Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250, Telephone: 202-713-7565, email: Katherine.mathis@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OMB regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that the Agency is submitting to OMB for extension.

Comments are invited on (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to 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.

Comments may be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal, [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). In the "Search for dockets and documents on agency actions" box enter the Docket No. RUS-24-WATER-0018 and click the "Search" button. From the search results, click on or locate the document title: "Notice of Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection" and select the "Comment" button. Before inputting comments, commenters may

review the “Commenter’s Checklist” (optional). To submit a comment: Insert comments under the “Comment” title, click “Browse” to attach files (if available), input email address, select box to opt to receive email confirmation of submission and tracking (optional), select the box “I’m not a robot,” and then select “Submit Comment.” Information on using *Regulations.gov*, including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site’s “FAQ” link. All comments will be available for public inspection online at the Federal eRulemaking Portal (*regulations.gov*).

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Title: Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants, Water and Waste Facility Loans and Grants to Alleviate Health Risks for Colonias, Water and Waste Facility Loans and Grants to Alleviate Health Risks on Tribal Lands, Emergency Community Water Assistance Grants (ECWAG), and Grants for Rural Alaskan Village (RAVG) programs

OMB Control Number: 0572–0121.

Type of Request: Update of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The WWLG program provides funding for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas. The Water and Waste Disposal Predevelopment Planning Grants (PPG) help eligible low-income communities plan and develop applications for proposed water or waste disposal projects. WWLG and PPG programs are implemented through 7 CFR part 1780.

The Water and Waste Facility Loans and Grants to Alleviate Health Risks programs are for Colonias or on Tribal Lands. These programs help get safe, reliable drinking water and waste disposal to low-income communities that face significant health risks. These programs are implemented through 7 CFR part 1777.

The ECWAG program helps eligible communities prepare, or recover from, an emergency that threatens the availability of safe, reliable drinking water. This program is implemented through 7 CFR part 1778.

The RAVG programs helps remote Alaskan villages provide safe, reliable drinking water and waste disposal systems for households and businesses. This program is implemented through 7 CFR part 1784.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3.625 hours per response.

Respondents: For all programs except RAVG—public bodies, nonprofits, Federally-recognized tribes. For RAVG—Rural Alaskan Villages, State of Alaska for the benefit of a rural Alaskan Village or hub.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 656.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 45.893.

Estimated Number of Responses: 30,106.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 109,127 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Katherine Anne Mathis, RD Innovation Center—Regulations Management Division, Telephone: 202–713–7565, email: Katherine.mathis@usda.gov.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Andrew Berke,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA Rural Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Census Scientific Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Census Bureau, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public virtual meeting.

SUMMARY: The Census Bureau is giving notice of a virtual meeting of the Census Scientific Advisory Committee (CSAC or Committee). The Committee will address policy, research, and technical issues relating to a full range of Census Bureau programs and activities, including decennial, economic, field operations, information technology, and statistics. Last minute changes to the schedule are possible, which could

prevent giving advance public notice of schedule adjustments.

DATES: The virtual meeting will be held on:

- Thursday, September 19, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT, and
- Friday, September 20, 2024, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: Please visit the Census Advisory Committee website at <https://www.census.gov/about/cac/sac/meetings/2024-09-meeting.html>, for the CSAC meeting information, including the agenda, and how to join the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shana Banks, Advisory Committee Branch Chief, Office of Program, Performance and Stakeholder Integration (PPSI), shana.j.banks@census.gov, Department of Commerce, Census Bureau, telephone 301–763–3815. For TTY callers, please use the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee provides scientific and technical expertise to address Census Bureau program needs and objectives. The members of the CSAC are appointed by the Director of the Census Bureau. The Committee has been established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Title 5, United States Code, App).

All meetings are open to the public. Public comments will be accepted in writing only to shana.j.banks@census.gov (subject line “2024 CSAC Fall Virtual Meeting Public Comment”). A brief period will be set aside during the meeting to read public comments received in advance of 12:00 p.m. EDT, September 19, 2024. Any public comments received after the deadline will be posted to the website listed in the **ADDRESSES** section.

Robert L. Santos, Director, Census Bureau, approved the publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 7, 2024.

Shannon Wink,

Program Analyst, Policy Coordination Office, U.S. Census Bureau.

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