

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA–2011–0021]

NIMS Public Works Resources: Typed Resource Definitions (FEMA 508–7)

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is requesting public comments on the *NIMS Public Works Resources: Typed Resource Definitions (FEMA 508–7)*.

DATES: Comments must be received by November 3, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be identified by Docket ID FEMA–2011–0021 and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. Please note that this proposed policy is not a rulemaking and the Federal eRulemaking Portal is being utilized only as a mechanism for receiving comments.

Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier: Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Room 840, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Forgy, Branch Chief; 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463; 202–646–2840 (phone); michael.forgy@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice, which can be viewed by clicking on the “Privacy Notice” link in the footer of <http://www.regulations.gov>.

You may submit your comments and material by the methods specified in the **ADDRESSES** section. Please submit your comments and any supporting material by only one means to avoid the receipt and review of duplicate submissions.

Docket: The proposed policy is available in docket ID FEMA–2011–

0021. For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. Submitted comments may also be inspected at FEMA, Office of Chief Counsel, Room 840, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

II. Background

The National Incident Management System (NIMS) provides a consistent nationwide template to enable Federal, State, Tribal, and local governments, nongovernmental organizations, and the private sector to work together to prevent, protect against, respond to, recover from, and mitigate the effects of incidents, regardless of cause, size, location, or complexity. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is requesting public comments on the *NIMS Public Works Resources: Typed Resource Definitions (FEMA 508–7)*. This document supports the Resource Management Component of NIMS. Emergency management and incident response activities require carefully managed resources (personnel, teams, facilities, equipment, and/or supplies) to meet incident needs. Utilization of the standardized resource management concepts such as typing, inventorying, organizing, and tracking will facilitate the dispatch, deployment, and recovery of resources before, during, and after an incident.

Resource typing is defined as categorizing, by capability, the resources requested, deployed, and used in incidents. Resource users at all levels use these standards to identify and inventory resources. Resource kinds may be divided into subcategories (e.g. Public Works) to define more precisely the capabilities needed to meet specific requirements.

FEMA seeks comment on the proposed policy. Based on the comments received, FEMA may make appropriate revisions to the proposed policy. Although FEMA will consider any comments received in the drafting of the final policy, FEMA will not provide a response to comments document. When or if FEMA issues a final policy, FEMA will publish a notice of availability in the **Federal Register** and make the final policy available at <http://www.regulations.gov> and it will be posted to the NIMS Resource Center at <http://www.fema.gov/nims>. The final policy will not have the force or effect of law.

Authority: 6 U.S.C. 312; Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD)—5.

Dated: September 20, 2011.

W. Craig Fugate,

Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5486–N–22]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment: Tribal Colleges and University Programs

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Development and Research, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comment Due Date:* December 5, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Susan Brunson, Office of University Partnerships, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410–6000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Housing and Urban Development will submit the proposed extension of information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate 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) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Tribal College and Universities Program.

OMB Control Number: 2528-0215.

Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use: The information is being collected to monitor performance of grantees to

ensure they meet statutory and program goals and requirements.

Agency Form Numbers: HUD_96010.

Members of the Affected Public: Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCU) that meet the definition of a TCU established in Title III of the 1998 Amendments to Higher Education Act of 1965 (Pub. L. 105-244, approved October 7, 1998).

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: Information pursuant to grant award will be submitted once a year. The following chart details the respondent burden on an annual and semi-annual basis:

	Number of respondents	Total annual responses	Hours per response	Total hours
Applicants	0	0	0	0
Quarterly Reports	15	60	10	600
Final Reports	5	1	15	75
Recordkeeping	15	1	5	75
Total			59	750

Status of the proposed information collection: Pending OMB approval.

Authority: Pub. L. 105-244.

Dated: September 24, 2011.

Raphael W. Bostic,

Assistant Secretary for Policy Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5374-N-33]

Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111-05, approved February 17, 2009) (Recovery Act), and implementing guidance of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), this notice advises that certain exceptions to the Buy American requirement of the Recovery Act have been determined applicable for work using Capital Fund Recovery Formula and Competition (CFRFC) grant funds. Specifically, exceptions were granted to the Cambridge Housing Authority of Cambridge, MA for the purchase and installation of Venstar ColorTouch programmable limiting thermostats for the Harry S. Truman Apartments project, and to the Denver Housing Authority for the purchase and installation of refrigerators and microwave ovens for its 1099 Osage Apartments project.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donald J. LaVoy, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Office of Field Operations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4112, Washington, DC 20410-4000, telephone number 202-402-8500 (this is not a toll-free number); or Dominique G. Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing Investments, Office of Public Housing Investments, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4130, Washington, DC 20410-4000, telephone number 202-402-8500 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1605(a) of the Recovery Act provides that none of the funds appropriated or made available by the Recovery Act may be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States. Section 1605(b) provides that the Buy American requirement shall not apply in any case or category in which the head of a Federal department or agency finds that: (1) Applying the Buy American requirement would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality, or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods will increase

the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Section 1605(c) provides that if the head of a Federal department or agency makes a determination pursuant to section 1605(b), the head of the department or agency shall publish a detailed written justification in the **Federal Register**.

In accordance with section 1605(c) of the Recovery Act and OMB's implementing guidance published on April 23, 2009 (74 FR 18449), this notice advises the public that, on August 19, 2011, the following exceptions were granted:

1. *Cambridge Housing Authority.* Upon request of the Cambridge Housing Authority, HUD granted an exception to applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, in connection with the Harry S. Truman Apartments project. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods, Venstar ColorTouch programmable limiting thermostats, are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

2. *Denver Housing Authority.* Upon request of the Denver Housing Authority, HUD granted an exception to applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, in connection with its 1099 Osage Apartments project. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods (refrigerators and microwaves) are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.