

Comments

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ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, Chief, Records Management Branch, Program Services Division, Operations Support Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bruce Hildebrand, Preparedness, Training & Exercises Directorate, Readiness Division, Program Development Branch, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC, or call (202) 646-3114 or email bruce.hildebrand@fema.gov for additional information. Contact Ms. Anderson at (202) 646-2625 or by facsimile number (202) 646-3524 or by email muriel.anderson@fema.gov for copies of the proposed collection of information.

Dated: March 12, 2001.

Reginald Trujillo,

*Director, Program Services Division,
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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed new information collections. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this notice seeks comments concerning a national review of local mitigation planning.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: There are three FEMA programs that provide either direct funding or insurance incentives in order to promote mitigation planning at the local level. They are the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA), the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP), and the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Rating System. Project Impact funds may also be used for local mitigation planning but will be excluded from this evaluation since the program has a separate evaluation instrument with the University of Delaware.

Anecdotal information regarding the value of hazard mitigation planning in

producing viable and effective mitigation actions exists, but this has never been studied in a systematic way. The purpose of this review will be to (1) assess the impact that FEMA's local Mitigation planning initiatives have had on local planning; (2) identify communities with successful mitigation plans and (3) document "best practices" that led to the formulation of successful plans. For example, there is the assumption that the FMA planning requirement promotes successful projects. However, there is a need to objectively evaluate whether this is a true statement, and if so, why. As a result, this objective review will give us a better opportunity to understand planning effectiveness and "best practices".

Collection of Information

Title. Review of Local Mitigation Planning Initiatives and Practices.

Type of Information Collection. New.
OMB Number: NEW.

Abstract. The purpose of this information collection, in the form of a survey, is to support the FEMA Mitigation Directorate and the Office of the Inspector General in conducting a national review of local mitigation planning. The goal of the survey is to determine the extent to which communities are formulating, adopting and adhering to local mitigation plans, and to review the overall quality of these plans. Additional goals are to document the "best practices" and identify characteristics of successful planning programs at the local level.

Affected Public: Local or Tribal Governments.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 563.

Year of FEMA survey	No. of respondent (A) ¹	Annual frequency of survey (B)	No. of questions/average minutes to answer	Burden hours per respondents (C) ²	Annual burden hours (A x B x C)
2001	125	1	36/2.5 minutes	1.50	187.50
2002	125	1	36/2.5 minutes	1.50	187.50
2003	125	1	36/2.5 minutes	1.50	187.50
Total	375	1	³ 1.50	562.50

¹ The audit sampling plan calls for 90 communities to be contacted. However, we anticipate that we may need to interview more than one official per community because a single official may not know the answer to all survey questions. We assumed that less than half of the 90 communities would require a second interview. Even if all 90 communities require a second interview, neither respondent would answer all of the survey questions.

² Burden hours were calculated by: 1. Multiplying the number of questions by the average number of minutes required to answer each question (i.e., 36 questions x 2.5 minutes = 90 minutes) and 2. Dividing the product of 1) by 60 minutes (i.e., 90 minutes/60 minutes = 1.50 hours).

³ The respondents are State or local community officials that hold positions of authority within their organizations. Based on their positions as experts in their field, they are generally expected to offer their professional opinions about Federal programs and initiatives. We anticipate that the interview may take longer than a typical survey because we are not offering the respondent a choice of answers. Our respondents will need time to formulate an answer and explain it.

Estimated Annual Cost to Respondents: \$3,750. We estimate that it will take approximately \$30.00 per respondent per year to complete the survey.

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ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, FEMA Information Collections Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Rosemary Krueger, Program Analyst, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Mitigation Directorate, Program Support Division, Planning Branch, (202) 646-4189 for additional information. For copies of the proposed collection of information contact Ms. Anderson at (202) 646-2625, by facsimile (202) 645-3347, or by e-mail at muriel.anderson@fema.gov.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are

set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than April 2, 2001.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta (Cynthia C. Goodwin, Vice President) 104 Marietta Street, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30303-2713:

1. *William Carl David*; Stephen Paul David; Stephen Paul David, Jr.; William Robert David; Lauren Riche' David; Jeffrey Thomas David; and Joseph Jefferson David, all of New Roads, Louisiana, and Robert Jefferson David, New Orleans, Louisiana; to retain voting shares of Peoples Bancshares of Pointe Coupee Parish, Inc., New Roads, Louisiana, and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of Peoples Bank & Trust Company, New Roads, Louisiana.

2. *Bradley M. Bolton*, Red Bay, Alabama, as trustee; to retain voting powers of The Weatherford Foundation of Red Bay, Inc., Red Bay, Alabama, and thereby indirectly retain voting shares of Independent Bancshares, Inc., and Community Spirit Bank, both of Red Bay, Alabama.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, March 13, 2001.

Robert deV. Frierson

Associate Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies

The companies listed in this notice have applied to the Board for approval, pursuant to the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956 (12 U.S.C. 1841 *et seq.*) (BHC Act), Regulation Y (12 CFR Part 225), and all other applicable statutes and regulations to become a bank holding company and/or to acquire the assets or the ownership of, control of, or the power to vote shares of a bank or bank holding company and all of the banks and nonbanking companies owned by the bank holding company, including the companies listed below.

The applications listed below, as well as other related filings required by the Board, are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The application also will be

available for inspection at the offices of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing on the standards enumerated in the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1842(c)). If the proposal also involves the acquisition of a nonbanking company, the review also includes whether the acquisition of the nonbanking company complies with the standards in section 4 of the BHC Act (12 U.S.C. 1843). Unless otherwise noted, nonbanking activities will be conducted throughout the United States. Additional information on all bank holding companies may be obtained from the National Information Center website at www.ffiec.gov/nic/.

Unless otherwise noted, comments regarding each of these applications must be received at the Reserve Bank indicated or the offices of the Board of Governors not later than April 12, 2001.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of New York (Betsy Buttrill White, Senior Vice President) 33 Liberty Street, New York, New York 10045-0001:

1. *Royal Bank of Canada*, Montreal, Canada, and Rock Merger Subsidiary, Inc., Raleigh, North Carolina; to become bank holding companies by acquiring and merging with Centura Banks, Inc., Rocky Mount, North Carolina, and thereby indirectly acquire Centura Bank, Rocky Mount, North Carolina.

In connection with this proposal, applicants also have applied to engage in lending activities, pursuant to section 225.28(b)(1) of Regulation Y.

B. Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco

(Maria Villanueva, Consumer Regulation Group) 101 Market Street, San Francisco, California 94105-1579:

1. *Evergreen Bancorp, Inc.*, Seattle, Washington; to become a bank holding company by acquiring 100 percent of the voting shares of EvergreenBank, Seattle, Washington.

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Associate Secretary of the Board.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Proposed Modification: Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Publication Policy

AGENCY: Office of Acquisition Policy, Office of Governmentwide Policy, GSA.

ACTION: Notice of revision in publication policy with request for comment.