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# DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Submission for OMB Review; **Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Institute of Standards and Technology, U.S. Department of Commerce.

Title: Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Safety and Health Data.

OMB Control Number: 0693-XXXX. Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission, new information collection.

Number of Respondents: 450 Average Hours per Response: 5 minutes per response.

Burden Hours: 37.5

Needs and Uses: The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) has identified a need for OMB approval for a myriad of health and safety forms. NIST is a unique federal campus which hosts daily a range of non-federal individuals. In order to provide these individuals with proper care and health and safety documentation, NIST is pursuing a general clearance for these forms.

Affected Public: Some associates, volunteers, and visitors to NIST. Frequency: As needed.

Respondent's Obligation: Many of the forms will be voluntarily completed on an as needed basis by non-federal individuals. For example, if a visitor falls ill while visiting campus, they may seek care at the health unit and may opt in or out of completing the forms. NIST, however, does have some instances where the completion of forms will be mandatory due to potential high level public safety issues. There may also be documentation based on requirements for OSHA compliance.

This information collection request may be viewed at *reginfo.gov*. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA Submission@ omb.eop.gov or fax to (202) 395-5806.

#### Sheleen Dumas,

Departmental PRA Lead, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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#### **DENALI COMMISSION**

### **Denali Commission Fiscal Year 2018 Draft Work Plan**

**AGENCY:** Denali Commission. **ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Denali Commission (Commission) is an independent Federal agency based on an innovative federalstate partnership designed to provide critical utilities, infrastructure and support for economic development and training in Alaska by delivering federal services in the most cost-effective manner possible. The Commission was created in 1998 with passage of the October 21, 1998 Denali Commission Act (Act) (Title III of Pub. L. 105-277). The Act requires that the Commission develop proposed work plans for future spending and that the annual work plan be published in the Federal Register, providing an opportunity for a 30-day period of public review and written comment. This Federal Register notice serves to announce the 30-day opportunity for public comment on the Denali Commission Draft Work Plan for Federal Fiscal Year 2018 (FY 2018). **DATES:** Comments and related material

to be received by October 30, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments to the Denali Commission, Attention: Corrine Eilo, 510 L Street, Suite 410, Anchorage, AK 99501.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Corrine Eilo, Denali Commission, 510 L Street, Suite 410, Anchorage, AK 99501. Telephone: (907) 271–1414. Email: ceilo@denali.gov.

Background: The Denali Commission's mission is to partner with tribal, federal, state, and local governments and collaborate with all Alaskans to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of government services, to build and ensure the operation and maintenance of Alaska's basic infrastructure, and to develop a welltrained labor force employed in a diversified and sustainable economy.

By creating the Commission, Congress mandated that all parties involved partner together to find new and innovative solutions to the unique infrastructure and economic development challenges in America's most remote communities. Pursuant to the Act, the Commission determines its own basic operating principles and funding criteria on an annual federal fiscal year (October 1 to September 30) basis. The Commission outlines these priorities and funding recommendations in an annual work plan. The FY 2018 Work Plan was developed in the following manner.

- A workgroup comprised of Denali Commissioners and Commission staff developed a preliminary draft work plan.
- The preliminary draft work plan was published on *Denali.gov* for review by the public in advance of public testimony.
- · A public hearing was held to record public comments and recommendations on the preliminary draft work plan.
- Written comments on the preliminary draft work plan were accepted for another two weeks after the public hearing.
- All public hearing comments and written comments were provided to Commissioners for their review and consideration.
- · Commissioners discussed the preliminary draft work plan in a public meeting and then voted on the work plan during the meeting.

 The Commissioners forwarded their recommended work plan to the Federal Co-Chair, who then prepared the draft work plan for publication in the Federal **Register** providing a 30-day period for public review and written comment. During this time, the draft work plan will also be disseminated to Commission program partners including, but not limited to, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Economic Development Administration (EDA), Department of Agriculture—Rural Utilities Service (USDA/RUS), and the State of Alaska.

- At the conclusion of the **Federal Register** Public comment period
  Commission staff provides the Federal
  Co-Chair with a summary of public
  comments and recommendations, if any,
  on the draft work plan.
- If no revisions are made to the draft, the Federal Co-Chair provides notice of approval of the work plan to the Commissioners, and forwards the work plan to the Secretary of Commerce for approval; or, if there are revisions the Federal Co-Chair provides notice of modifications to the Commissioners for their consideration and approval, and upon receipt of approval from Commissioners, forwards the work plan to the Secretary of Commerce for approval.
- The Secretary of Commerce approves the work plan.
- The Federal Co-Chair then approves grants and contracts based upon the approved work plan.

# **FY 2018 Appropriations Summary**

The Commission has historically received federal funding from several sources. The two primary sources at this

time include the Energy & Water Appropriation Bill ("base" or "discretionary" funds) and an annual allocation from the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Liability (TAPL) fund. The proposed FY 2018 Work Plan assumes the Commission will receive \$15,000,000 of base funds, which is the amount referenced in the reauthorization of the Commission passed by Congress in 2016 (ref: Pub. L. 114-322), and a \$1,900,000 TAPL allocation based on discussions with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Approximately \$4,000,000 of the base funds will be used for administrative expenses and non-project program support, leaving \$11,000,000 available for program activities. The total base funding shown in the Work Plan also includes an amount typically available from project closeouts and other de-obligations that occur in any given year. Approximately \$200,000 of the TAPL funds will be utilized for administrative expenses and non-project program support, leaving \$1,700,000 available for program activities. Absent any new specific direction or limitations

- provided by Congress in the current Energy & Water Appropriations Bill, these funding sources are governed by the following general principles, either by statute or by language in the Work Plan itself:
- Funds from the Energy & Water Appropriation are eligible for use in all programs.
- TAPL funds can only be used for bulk fuel related projects and activities.
- Appropriated funds may be reduced due to Congressional action, rescissions by OMB, and other federal agency actions.
- All Energy & Water and TAPL investment amounts identified in the work plan, are "up to" amounts, and may be reassigned to other programs included in the current year work plan, if they are not fully expended in a program component area or a specific project.
- Energy & Water and TAPL funds set aside for administrative expenses that subsequently become available, may be used for program activities included in the current year work plan.

#### DENALI COMMISSION FY2018 FUNDING SUMMARY

Source	Available for program activities
Energy & Water Funds	
FY 2018 Energy & Water Appropriation <sup>1</sup> Prior Year Funds	\$11,000,000 1,000,000
Subtotal	12,000,000
TAPL Funds	
FY 2018 Annual Allocation	1,700,000
Subtotal	1,700,000
U.S. Department of Transportation	
Prior Year Funds	1,200,000
Subtotal	1,200,000
Grand Total	14,900,000

#### Notes:

1 If the final appropriation is less than \$15 million the Federal Co-Chair shall reduce investments to balance the FY 2018 Work Plan.

#### DENALI COMMISSION FY2018 WORKPLAN

Program and type of investment	Energy & water	TAPL	USDOT	Total		
Energy Reliability and Security						
Diesel Power Plants	\$3,800,000 500,000 2,200,000 300,000			\$3,800,000 500,000 2,200,000 300,000		
Subtotal	6,800,000			6,800,000		

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Program and type of investment	Energy & water	TAPL	USDOT	Total
Bulk Fuel Safety a	nd Security			
New/Refurbished Facilities	200,000	1,200,000 300,000 200,000		1,200,000 300,000 400,000
Subtotal	200,000	1,700,000		1,900,000
Transportation System	Improvements			
Maintenance and Improvements			1,200,000	1,200,000
Subtotal			1,200,000	1,200,000
Village Infrastructur	e Protection			
Mertarvik	2,500,000 1,500,000 250,000 250,000 500,000			2,500,000 1,500,000 250,000 250,000 500,000
Subtotal	5,000,000			5,000,000
Totals	12,000,000	1,700,000	1,200,000	14,900,000

#### **Energy and Bulk Fuel Programs**

FY 2018 Denali Commission investments in Energy and Bulk Fuel may include:

- Remote Power System Upgrade (RPSU) projects at locations selected based on need in consultation with the Alaska Energy Authority (AEA) and Alaska Village Electric Cooperative (AVEC).
- Bulk Fuel Upgrade (BFU) projects at locations selected based on need in consultation with AEA and AVEC.
- Rural power system and bulk fuel facility Maintenance and Improvement (M&I) projects at locations selected based on need in consultation with AEA and AVEC.
- Continued support of the rural power system and bulk fuel facility operator training programs managed by AEA.
- Continued support of the Sanitation Energy Efficiency Program at the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC).

## Village Infrastructure Protection Program

In order to fulfill its role as lead federal coordinating agency the Commission staff, in consultation with State, Federal, and other partners, and the referenced communities in particular, proposes the following investments in support of the new Village Infrastructure Protection (VIP) Program [previously known as the Environmentally Threatened

Community (ETC) Program]. United States Government Accountability Office (GAO) Report 09–551 (http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-09-551) has been instrumental in charting prospective Commission investments under this program.

# Mertarvik

The community of Newtok has initiated its relocation to Mertarvik and has started building infrastructure at Mertarvik. The Commission funds summarized above may be used for the following activities:

- \$1.5 million for housing development.
- Continued support for the existing Community Relocation Coordinator.
- Continued support for professional project management services.
- Infrastructure development at Mertarvik.

## Shishmaref

Shishmaref has voted to relocate and is now working to select a new site. The Commission funds summarized above may be used for the following activities:

- Continued support for the existing Community Relocation Coordinator.
  - New town-site planning and design.
- Professional project management services.

## Shaktoolik

The community of Shaktoolik has decided to protect the community in place for now. The Commission funds summarized above may be used for the following activities:

- Continued support for the existing Community Relocation Coordinator.
- Match/gap funds for other related activities.

# Kivalina

Kivalina is considering relocation and has selected a site for a new school. The Commission funds summarized above may be used for the following activities:

- Continued support for the existing Community Relocation Coordinator.
- Match/gap funds for other related activities.

# Program Development and Support for Other Vulnerable Communities

The \$500,000 referenced above for this line item in the work plan may be used for activities such as the following.

- Continued support for the ETC Grant Writing Center of Excellence at the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium.
- Small project infrastructure protection grants.
- Hazard Mitigation Plan-related initiatives and projects.
- Data/threat analyses related to erosion, flooding and permafrost degradation.
- VIP-related coordination, outreach and partner support.

# Statement Regarding Public Service of Former and Current Commissioners

It has been my honor to serve at the Commission as a program manager from

June 1999 to February 2005, and since January 2010, as the third Federal Co-Chair. I thank the Indian Health Service (IHS) and ANTHC for executing a unique personnel assignment of detailing me from the IHS to ANTHC and then to the Commission in the early years of the agency. I have had the pleasure of working with most, but not all, of the Commissioners since 1999. Their role is not easy, but they are essential in guiding the agency in deploying critical Federal resources to the highest needs found in rural Alaska. As this is the last work plan I will have the pleasure of navigating through the statutorily outlined approval process, I want to publically acknowledge and thank all of the former and current Commissioners.

Governors: Tony Knowles

Frank Murkowski

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Mano Frey

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Gary Brooks

Vince Beltrami

Lastly, my thanks to my predecessors who have been gracious in sharing their time and wisdom with me while I have served at the Commission.

Federal Co-Chairs: Jeffrey Staser

George Cannelos

# Joel Neimeyer,

Federal Co-Chair.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

[Docket No.: ED-2017-ICCD-0121]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Regulatory Requirements

**AGENCY:** Office of Management (OM), Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a revision of an existing information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before November 27, 2017.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2017-ICCD-0121. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http:// www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Room 216-32, Washington, DC 20202-4537.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Ellen Campbell, 202–260–3887.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection

necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) Regulatory Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 1880–0543. Type of Review: A revision of an existing information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments;

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 20,293,021.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 1,914,593.

Abstract: The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) requires that subject educational agencies and institutions notify parents and students of their rights under FERPA and requires that they record disclosures of personally identifiable information from education records, with certain exceptions.

Dated: September 21, 2017.

# Stephanie Valentine,

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

# Agency Information Collection Extension

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, intends to extend for three years, an information collection request with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). All Federal agencies administering programs subject to Davis-Bacon wage provisions are required to submit to the Department of Labor (DOL) a report of all new covered contracts/projects and all compliance and enforcement activities every six months. In order for the DOE to comply with this reporting requirement, it must collect contract and enforcement information from