

moved, in whole or in part, from the affected area to another State or to a labor market area within the same State to continue business. 12. Alternative Requirement for Assistance to Businesses, Including Privately-Owned Utilities. The Department is instituting an alternative requirement to the provisions at 42 U.S.C. 5305(a) as follows: When CDBG–NDR Grantees provide funds to for-profit businesses, such funds may only be provided to a small business, as defined by the SBA under 13 CFR part 121. CDBG–NDR funds may not be used to directly assist a privately owned utility for any purpose. Note that a private utility may be a Partner to the Applicant for purposes of implementing a CDBG–NDR program.

C. Certifications and Collection of Information

1. Certifications Waiver and Alternative Requirement. Sections 91.325 and 91.225 of title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations are waived, and as an alternative requirement, each State or local government that applied for an award under the NOFA are held to the certifications required by Appendix F to the NOFA and submitted with its Phase 1 and its Phase 2 applications as a requirement for funding.

a. As required by the NOFA, an Applicant signing the SF–424 cover page, either through electronic submission or in paper copy submission (for those Applicants granted a waiver to submit in paper), affirms that the certifications and assurances associated with the Application are material representations of the facts upon which the Department will rely when making an award to the Applicant. If it is later determined that the signatory to the application submission knowingly made a false certification or assurance or did not have the authority to make a legally binding commitment for the Applicant, the Applicant may be subject to criminal prosecution, and the Department may terminate the award to the Applicant organization or pursue other available remedies.

b. Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Certification. All activities under this notice shall be carried out in a manner that affirmatively furthers fair housing, as required by section 808(e)(5) of the Fair Housing Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 3608(e)(5)). Each Applicant made the required certification for CDBG–NDR activities included in Appendix F of the NOFA.

Grantees shall adhere to the certifications included in Appendix F of the NOFA and 24 CFR 570.601, and take appropriate actions to support and

document compliance with the certification.

2. Information Collection Approval Note. The information collection requirements contained in this document were approved by OMB under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520) and assigned OMB Control Number [Paperwork Reduction Act Number 2506–0203]. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless the collection displays a currently valid OMB control number. The public reporting burden for the collection of information following the award of funds is estimated to average 56.2 hours per annum, per respondent, for grant set-up and administration. This includes the time for executing the grant agreement, establishing the grant within the DRGR system, voucher submissions, and quarterly reports. The information will be used for monitoring the administration of funds. Response to this request for information is required in order to receive the benefits to be derived.

Section 4: Duration of Funding

CDBG–NDR funds are subject to 31 U.S.C. 1552(a), and, therefore, are to remain available for expenditure for 5 years following the period of availability for obligation. All funds under the Appropriations Act must be expended by September 30, 2022. In addition, the Appropriations Act requires that HUD obligate all CDBG–NDR funds by September 30, 2017. The Appropriations Act (Section 904(c) of title IX in division A) also requires that all funds be expended within 2 years of the date HUD obligates funds. For more information, including information on extensions, see section 3.II of this notice.

Section 5: Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

The primary Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for the disaster recovery grants under this notice is 14.272. Additional supporting CFDA numbers are 14.218 and 14.228.

Section 6: Finding of No Significant Impact

A Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) with respect to the environment was made on the NDRC NOFA, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 50, which implements section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4332(2)(C)). The FONSI

remains applicable to the NDRC and this notice. It is available for public inspection between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., weekdays, in the Regulations Division, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 10276, Washington, DC 20410–0500. Due to security measures at the HUD Headquarters building, an advance appointment to review the docket file must be scheduled by calling the Regulations Division at 202–708–3055 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- or speech-impaired individuals may access this number through TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339 (this is a toll-free number).

Dated: June 1, 2016.

Nani A. Coloretto,
Deputy Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5913–N–12]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Pay for Success Pilot Application Requirements

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner, 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. The Budget-Neutral Demonstration Program for Energy and Water Conservation Improvements at Multifamily Housing Residential Units (Pay for Success Pilot) authorizes HUD to establish a competitive process for selecting one or more qualified intermediaries who will, per agreements with HUD, be responsible for initiating and managing an energy and water conservation retrofit program. These retrofits are authorized at properties participating in the project-based rental assistance (PBRA) program under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937; supportive housing for the elderly program operating under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959; and supportive housing for persons with disabilities under section 811(d)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National

Affordable Housing Act. The documents that are the subject of this notice are those used by applicants applying to participate in this program.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* August 8, 2016.

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: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone 202–402–3400 (this is not a toll-free number) or email at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov for a copy of the proposed forms or other available information. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Kudlowitz, Director, Program Administration Office, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410; email at Mark.A.Kudlowitz@hud.gov or telephone (202) 402–3372. 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 Relay Service at (800) 877–8339. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

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

I. Evaluation of Proposed Information Collection

HUD will submit the proposed 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 parties concerning the collection of proposed information 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.

II. Description of Proposed Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Budget-Neutral Demonstration Program for Energy and Water Conservation Improvements at Multifamily Housing Residential Units (Pay for Success Pilot).

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The Pay for Success (PFS) Pilot authorizes HUD to establish a competitive process for selecting one or more qualified intermediaries who will, per agreements with HUD, be responsible for initiating and managing an energy and water conservation retrofit program at select assisted multifamily housing properties. Participation in the program is voluntary. Participating applicants are required to submit application information for the purpose of putting together a proposal for evaluation. Through this application information, HUD evaluates whether applicants have met all of the requirements necessary to apply and be selected to participate in the PFS Pilot.

OMB Approval Number: N/A.

Type of Request: New information collection request.

Form Number: N/A.

Respondents (i.e. affected public): Businesses or other for-profits, nonprofit organizations, and State, Local, or Tribal Government entities.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15.

Estimated Number of Responses: 15.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Average Hours per Response: 20.

Total Estimated Burden: 300 hours.

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

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

Dated: June 1, 2016.

Janet M. Golrick,

Associate General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing-Associate Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered Species; Recovery Permit Application

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comments.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following application for a recovery permit to conduct activities with the purpose of enhancing the survival of endangered species. The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act), prohibits certain activities with endangered species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. The Act also requires that we invite public comment before issuing such permits.

DATES: To ensure consideration, please send your written comments by July 7, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Program Manager, Restoration and Endangered Species Classification, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Regional Office, 911 NE 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232–4181. Please refer to the permit number for the application when submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colleen Henson, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above address, or by telephone (503–231–6131) or fax (503–231–6243).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Act (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) prohibits certain activities with respect to endangered and threatened species unless a Federal permit allows such activity. Along with our implementing regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17, the Act provides for certain permits, and requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits for endangered species.

A permit granted by us under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act authorizes the permittee to conduct activities (including take or interstate commerce) with respect to U.S. endangered or threatened species for scientific purposes or enhancement of propagation or survival. Our regulations implementing section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Act for these permits are found at 50 CFR 17.22 for endangered wildlife