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Request for Proposals: The Service invites submission of grant proposals for the protection and management of habitat to benefit federally listed, proposed, or candidate species or other at-risk species from federally recognized Indian tribal governments (including Alaska Native Villages). This program supports the efforts of tribal governments in programs that develop or augment the capacity to manage, conserve, or protect fish and wildlife species of concern through the provision of funding and technical support.

For complete application guidelines, please refer to http://grants.fws.gov/tribal.html or contact the Native American Liaison in the appropriate Service Region (see Table 1 in ADDRESSES). The Application Kit outlines program requirements, selection criteria, and award procedures.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact the Native American Liaison in the appropriate Regional Office (see Table 1 under ADDRESSES) or Patrick Durham, Office of the Native American Liaison, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1849 C Street, Mail Stop 3012 MIB, Washington, DC 20240, 202/208–4133.


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Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service
Fiscal Year 2005 Tribal Wildlife Grants; Request for Grant Proposals
AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of request for proposals.
SUMMARY: We, the Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) are soliciting project proposals for Federal assistance under the Tribal Wildlife Grants program (TWG). The Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 authorized an appropriation of $69,027,526 for wildlife conservation grants to States and to the District of Columbia, U.S. Territories, and Tribes under provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, for the development and implementation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their habitat, including species that are not hunted or fished. The Act further specified that the Service use $ 5,916,645 of the funds for a competitive grant program available to federally recognized Indian Tribes. This allows the Secretary, through the Director of the Service, to manage a separate Tribal grant program not subject to the provisions of the formula-based State Wildlife Grants program, or other requirements of the State Wildlife Grants portion of Pub. L. 107–63.

DATES: Project proposals must be postmarked by April 4, 2005 and submitted to the appropriate Regional Office (see Table 1 in ADDRESSES).

ADDRESSES: For information regarding collection requirements and application kit, applicants should contact the Native American Liaison in the Service’s Regional Office for the State in which the proposed project would occur. The contact information for each Regional Office is listed in Table 1 below. Information on the TWG is also available from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of the Native American Liaison, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 3251, Washington, DC 20240, fax (202) 501–3054 and electronically at http://grants.fws.gov/tribal.html.

Send your project proposal to the Service’s Regional Office for the State in which the proposed project would occur (see Table 1 under this section). You must submit one original and two copies of the complete proposal. We will not accept facsimile project proposals.

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ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is submitting this information collection to the Office of Management and Budget for renewal of the Indian Child Welfare Annual Report form. The information collected will aid the BIA in fulfilling requirements of law. This renewal meets the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Submit comments on or before March 7, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Your comments and suggestions on the requirements should be made directly to the attention: Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, either by facsimile at (202) 395–6566, or by e-mail to OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov. Please provide a copy to Larry Blair, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, 1951 Constitution Avenue, NW., Mail Stop–320–SIB, Washington, DC 20240. Telephone: (202) 513–7621.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Interested persons may obtain copies of the information collection requests without charge by contacting Mr. Larry Blair at (202) 513–7621, Facsimile number (202) 208–2648.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection required by the use of this form is necessary to comply with Public Law 95–608, the Indian Child Welfare Act, and as codified in 25 CFR part 23, Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA). This information is collected through the use of a consolidated caseload form by tribal Indian Child Welfare Act program directors who are the providers of the ICWA services. The information is used to determine the extent of service needs in local Indian communities, assessment of the Indian Child Welfare Act program effectiveness, and to provide data for the annual program budget justification.

The responses to this request for information collection are voluntary and the aggregated report is not considered confidential. The public is not required to respond unless a currently valid OMB control number is displayed.

II. Request for Comments

We requested comments on the proposed renewal in the Federal Register (69 FR 65629) on November 15, 2004. No comments were received. You may submit comments to OMB at the address provided in the ADDRESSES section with a copy to the Bureau of Indian Affairs within 30 days concerning the following:

(a) the necessity of this information collection 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 (hours and cost) of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
(c) ways we could enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and,
(d) ways we could minimize the burden of the collection of the information on respondents, such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or request, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it has a valid OMB Control Number.

OMB is required to respond to this request within 60 days after publication of this notice in the Federal Register, but may respond after 30 days; therefore, your comments should be submitted to OMB within 30 days of publication to assure maximum consideration.