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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Indian Reservation Roads

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is seeking comments on renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the collection of information for Indian Reservation Roads. The information collection is currently authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0161, which expires July 31, 2012.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [Insert date 30 days after date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collections to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at the Office of Management and Budget, by facsimile to (202) 395-5806; or you may send an e-mail to: OIRA_DOCKET@omb.eop.gov. Please send a copy of your comments to LeRoy Gishi, Chief, Division of Transportation, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4512 MIB, Washington, DC 20240; facsimile: (202) 208-4696 e-mail: LeRoy.Gishi@bia.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LeRoy Gishi, (202) 513-7711. You may review the information collection requests online at http://www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to review Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This collection allows Federally recognized Tribal governments to participate in the Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) program as defined in 25 U.S.C. 204(a)(1). The information collected determines the allocation of IRR program funds to Indian tribes as described in 25 U.S.C. 202(d)(2)(A).

II. Request for Comments

The BIA requests your comments on these collections concerning: (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 the respondents, such as through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review at the location listed in the ADDRESSES section. Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address or other personally identifiable information, be advised that your entire comment – including your personally identifiable information – may be made public at any time. While you may request that we withhold your personally identifiable information, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 1076-0161.

Title: 25 CFR 170, Indian Reservation Roads.

Brief Description of Collection: Some of the information such as the application of Indian

Reservation Roads High Priority Projects (IRRHPP) (25 CFR 170.210), the road inventory

updates (25 CFR 170.443), the development of a long range transportation plan (25 CFR

170.411 and 170.412), the development of a tribal transportation improvement program and

priority list (25 CFR 170.420 and 170.421) are mandatory for consideration of projects and for

program funding from the formula. Some of the information, such as public hearing

requirements, is necessary for public notification and involvement (25 CFR 170.437 and

170.439). While other information, such as data appeals (25 CFR 170.231) and requests for

design exceptions (25 CFR 170.456), are voluntary.

Type of Review: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Respondents: Federally recognized Indian Tribal governments who have transportation needs

associated with the IRR Program as described in 25 CFR 170.

Number of Respondents: 1,409.

Frequency of Response: Annually or on an as needed basis.

Estimated Time per Response: Reports require from 30 minutes to 40 hours to complete. An

average would be 16 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 19,628 hours.

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Estimated Total Annual Cost Burden: \$0.

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