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**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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**Information Collection Request Sent to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Approval; Coastal Impact Assistance Program**

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** We (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service) have sent an Information Collection Request (ICR) to OMB for review and approval. We summarize the ICR below and describe the nature of the collection and the estimated burden and cost. This information collection is scheduled to expire on September 30, 2014. We may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. However, under OMB regulations, we may continue to conduct or sponsor this information collection while it is pending at OMB.

**DATES:** You must submit comments on or before **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

**ADDRESSES:** Send your comments and suggestions on this information collection to the Desk Officer for the Department of the Interior at OMB–OIRA at (202) 395–5806 (fax) or [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov) (email). Please provide a copy of your comments to the Service Information Collection Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish

and Wildlife Service, MS BPHC, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3803 (mail), or hope\_grey@fws.gov (email). Please include “1018–0147” in the subject line of your comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request additional information about this ICR, contact Hope Grey at hope\_grey@fws.gov (email) or 703–358–2482 (telephone). You may review the ICR online at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Follow the instructions to review Department of the Interior collections under review by OMB.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Information Collection Request**

*OMB Control Number:* 1018–0147.

*Title:* Coastal Impact Assistance Program.

*Service Form Number:* None.

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

*Number of Respondents:* 73.

*Description of Respondents:* 6 States (Alabama, Alaska, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas) and 67 coastal political subdivisions in these States.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Required to obtain or retain a benefit.

*Frequency of Collection:* On occasion for amendments/changes to a project and other requests; annually for reports; and ongoing for recordkeeping.

ACTIVITY	NUMBER OF RESPONSES	COMPLETION TIME PER RESPONSE (hours)	TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS
Submit annual reports	479	8	3,832
Notify FWS in case of delays, adverse conditions, etc., that impair ability to meet objectives of an award	60	8	480
Request termination and supporting information	45	6	270
Maintain records	756	0.5	378
Telephone followup discussion on financial	100	8	800

capabilities			
Develop language and individual signage at CIAP Sites	100	8	800
Submission of photographs/CDs of projects for tracking purpose	250	4	1,000
Request changes and/or amendments to a project	192	42	8,064
<b>TOTALS</b>	1,982		15,624

*Abstract:* Section 384 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–58) established the Coastal Impact Assistance Program (CIAP). This program provides Federal grant funds derived from Federal offshore lease revenues to oil-producing States for:

- Conservation, protection, or restoration of coastal areas, including wetlands;
- Mitigation of damage to fish, wildlife, or natural resources;
- Planning assistance and the administrative costs of complying with these objectives;
- Implementation of a federally approved marine, coastal, or comprehensive conservation management plan; and
- Mitigation of the impact of Outer Continental Shelf activities through funding of onshore infrastructure projects and public service needs.

The States of Alabama, Alaska, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas are eligible for CIAP funding. Also eligible to receive CIAP funds are 67 coastal political subdivisions (CPS) in the 6 States. The affected States have prepared Statewide CIAP plans that include proposed projects. The federally approved CIAP plans have also been coordinated through a public review process.

Once a project is approved, we must monitor the project to determine that the CIAP funds are being used for appropriate expenses. The monitoring will be achieved through the grant regulations that require grantees to provide, at a minimum, an annual progress report and a financial status report.

### **Comments Received and Our Responses**

On July 25, 2014, we published in the Federal Register (79 FR 43503) a notice of our intent to request that OMB approve the collection of information associated with CIAP. We solicited comments for 60 days, ending on September 23, 2014. We received no comments.

### **Request for Public Comments**

We again invite comments concerning this information collection on:

- Whether or not the collection of information is necessary, including whether or not the information will have practical utility;
- The accuracy of our estimate of the burden for this collection of information;
- Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made

publicly available at any time. While you can ask OMB in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that it will be done.

**Dated:** September 24, 2014

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