

the Notices published by the Department in the **Federal Register** of January 28, 2002 (67 FR 4164) and February 7, 2002 (67 FR 5845) that enumerated a list of waivers and alternative requirements that were necessary to facilitate the use of the initial disbursement of \$700 million in CDBG funds made available from the Emergency Response Fund.

Description and Justification of Requirements Waived

1. *Waiver of eligibility limitation at Section 105 (a).* The limitation at section 105 (a) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended (42 U.S.C. 5305 (a)) on eligible activities in the CDBG program is waived, in recognition of the requirements of Public Law 107-117, solely to treat "payment of compensation to an individual, nonprofit or small business for economic losses resulting from the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on New York City" as a distinct eligible activity. Accordingly, unless the grantee establishes limitations on the use of such payments by individuals, nonprofits or small businesses, CDBG and other crosscutting requirements generally would not apply to such use of payments.

The Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002 (Pub. L. 107-73) requires HUD to publish this waiver in the **Federal Register** no later than five days before its effective date. The effective date of this waiver is March 25, 2002.

Dated: March 8, 2002.

Roy A. Bernardi,

Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Hanford Reach National Monument Federal Advisory Committee; Meeting Notice

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice; FACA meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hanford Reach National Monument Federal Advisory Committee will conduct a meeting on Tuesday, March 19, 2002 from 12:30 pm to 4:30 p.m. at the United Way of Benton and Franklin Counties, 401 North Young

Street, Kennewick, WA. The meeting is open to the public and media.

DATES: Verbal comments will be considered during the course of the meeting and written comments will be accepted that are submitted by the close of the meeting.

ADDRESSES: Any member of the public wishing to submit written comments should send those to Mr. Greg Hughes, Designated Federal Officer for the Hanford Reach National Monument (HRNM) Federal Advisory Committee, Hanford Reach National Monument/Saddle Mountain National Wildlife Refuge, 3250 Port of Benton Blvd., Richland, WA 99352; fax (509) 375-0196. Copies of the draft meeting agenda can be obtained from the Designated Federal Officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Any member of the public wishing further information concerning the meeting should contact Mr. Greg Hughes, Designated Federal Official for the Hanford Reach National Monument (HRNM) FAC; phone (509) 371-1801, fax (509) 375-0196.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Hanford Reach National Monument Federal Advisory Committee will review subcommittees formation, and consider examples of previous issues workbooks for the Comprehensive Conservation Plan. The Committee will break into subcommittee groups and begin preliminary discussions in those groups.

Dated: March 11, 2002.

Greg Hughes,

Project Leader, Hanford Reach National Monument.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Office of Indian Education Programs is seeking comments on the renewal of the Information Collection Request for the Johnson-O'Malley Program Annual Report Form, OMB No. 1076-0096, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Submit your comments and suggestions on or before May 17, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent directly to Garry R. Martin, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Indian Education Programs, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240-0001. You may also send comments by facsimile to 202-219-9583.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Copies of the information collection may be obtained by contacting Garry R. Martin, 202-208-3478.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection is necessary to assess the need for Johnson-O'Malley programs as required by 25 CFR 273.50, Annual Reporting.

II. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on:

(a) Whether the information collection is necessary 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 to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(d) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the information on the respondents, including 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.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection. They also will become a matter of public record.

It is our policy to make all comments available to the public for review during the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays. If you wish to have your name and/or address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. We will honor your request according to the requirements of the law. All comments from organizations or representatives will be available for review. We may withhold comments from review for other reasons.

III. Data

Title: Johnson-O'Malley Program Annual Report Form.

OMB approval number: 1076-0096.

Frequency: Annually.

Description of respondents: Tribes, tribal organizations, school district education program administrators.

Estimated completion time: 5 hours.

Number of Annual responses: 360.

Annual Burden hours: 1,800 hours.

Dated: February 21, 2002.

Neal A. McCaleb,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Irrigation Rate Adjustment, Colorado River Irrigation Project

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Irrigation Operation and Maintenance Rate Adjustment.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) adjusted the excess water rates assessed to customers of the Colorado River Irrigation Project for the 2001 irrigation season. This rate will remain in effect for subsequent irrigation seasons or until we provide notice of a separate rate adjustment.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The new rates were effective July 1, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Hinkins, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Colorado River Agency, Rt. 1, Box 9-C, Parker, AZ 85334; (928) 669-7111.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A notice of Proposed Rate Adjustment was published in the **Federal Register** on September 25, 2001 at 66 FR 49037. The public and interested parties were provided an opportunity to submit written comments during the 60-day period subsequent to September 25, 2001. No comments were received.

Where Can Information on the Regulatory and Legal Citations in This Notice Be Obtained?

You can contact the Colorado River Irrigation Project office at the location stated in **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section or you can use the Internet site for the Government Printing Office at <http://www.gpo.gov>.

What Is the Purpose of This Notice?

This notice is to notify you that we adjusted the irrigation assessment rates for one of our irrigation projects. We are publishing this notice in accordance with the BIA's regulations governing its operation and maintenance of irrigation projects, specifically §§ 171.1(e) and 171.1(f) of part 171, subchapter H,

chapter I, of title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These sections provide for the fixing and announcing of the rates for annual operation and maintenance assessments and related information for BIA irrigation projects.

What Authorizes Us to Issue This Notice?

Our authority to issue this notice is vested in the Secretary of the Interior by 5 U.S.C. 301; the Act of August 14, 1914 (38 Stat. 583; 25 U.S.C. 385). The Secretary has in turn delegated this authority to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs in accordance with part 209 of the Department of the Interior's Departmental Manual, Chapter 8.1A, and by memorandum dated January 25, 1994, from the Chief of Staff, Department of the Interior, to Assistant Secretaries and Heads of Bureaus and Offices.

When Does This Schedule Apply To Me?

The schedule applies to you if you irrigated lands within the Colorado River Irrigation Project for the 2001 irrigation season.

What Was the Irrigation Rate for the 2001 Irrigation Season?

The following table shows how we billed you:

Water delivered per acre	Rate for 2001 irrigation season
Up to 5.0 acre-feet	\$37.00
5.0 to 5.5 acre-feet	7.40
Above 5.5 acre-feet	17.00

Consultation and Coordination With Tribal Governments (Executive Order 13175)

The rate adjustment was developed in consultation between the irrigators, the BIA and the Tribal Irrigation Committee (Committee). The Committee was established by the Colorado River Indian Tribes (Tribes) and maintains a membership appointed by the Tribal Council. During the March 2001 Committee meeting, a budget subcommittee was appointed and tasked to specifically review the excess water rate and make recommendations to the Committee for proposed adjustments. The subcommittee developed a method and rate which would maintain an excess water rate consistent with the previously developed budget. The proposed rate was reviewed and approved by the Committee during their May 2001 meeting. On June 19, 2001, a meeting was held between the Tribes and the BIA. During the meeting the

Tribes were informed of the proposed rate adjustment and the impacts associated with this adjustment. The Tribes agreed to the proposed adjustment to the excess water rate and a verifying letter was sent to the Tribes on July 3, 2001.

Throughout the process of reviewing the excess water rate the BIA has relied upon input and consultation with the Tribes through their Irrigation Committee and Water Resource Program activity, to develop an equitable rate for farmers, maximize water conservation and maintain sufficient funds for operation and maintenance of the project.

Actions Concerning Regulations That Significantly Affect Energy Supply, Distribution, or Use (Executive Order 13211)

This is a notice for a rate adjustment at a BIA owned and operated irrigation project. This rate adjustment had no significant adverse effects on energy supply, distribution, or use (including a shortfall in supply, price increases, and increase use of foreign supplies) when the proposed rate adjustment was implemented.

Regulatory Planning and Review (Executive Order 12866)

This rate adjustment was not a significant regulatory action and did not need to be reviewed by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

This rate making was not a rule for the purposes of the Regulatory Flexibility Act because it was "a rule of particular applicability relating to rates." 5 U.S.C. 601(2).

Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995

This rate adjustment imposed no unfunded mandates on any governmental or private entity and was in compliance with the provisions of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995.

Takings (Executive Order 12630)

The Department determined that this rate adjustment did not have significant "takings" implications. The rate adjustment did not deprive the public, state, or local governments of rights or property.

Federalism (Executive Order 13132)

The Department determined that this rate adjustment did not have significant Federalism effects because it pertained solely to Federal-tribal relations and did