

Property Number: 77200340021  
 Status: Excess  
 Reason: Extensive deterioration  
 Bldgs. 200120, 200121, 200122  
 JHU Applied Physics Lab  
 Laurel Co: Howard MD 20773–  
 Landholding Agency: Navy  
 Property Number: 77200340022  
 Status: Excess  
 Reason: Extensive deterioration  
 Bldgs. 200124, 200125, 200126  
 JHU Applied Physics Lab  
 Laurel Co: Howard MD 20773–  
 Landholding Agency: Navy  
 Property Number: 77200340023  
 Status: Excess  
 Reason: Extensive deterioration  
 Bldgs. 200128, 200133  
 JHU Applied Physics Lab  
 Laurel Co: Howard MD 20723–  
 Landholding Agency: Navy  
 Property Number: 77200340024  
 Status: Excess  
 Reason: Extensive deterioration  
 Bldgs. 200137, 200138  
 JHU Applied Physics Lab  
 Laurel Co: Howard MD 20773–  
 Landholding Agency: Navy  
 Property Number: 77200340025  
 Status: Excess  
 Reason: Extensive deterioration

*Land (by State)*

Florida

Navy Site Alpha  
 Homestead Co: Miami/Dade FL  
 Landholding Agency: GSA  
 Property Number: 54200330009  
 Status: Surplus  
 Reason: Flooding  
 GSA Number: 4–N–FL–1079

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Proposed Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that we are seeking comments from interested parties to renew the clearance for Application for Training or Employment, OMB No. 1076–0062.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received by January 6, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to: Lynn Forcia, Office of Self-Governance and Self-Determination, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW., Mail Stop 2412-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:** For additional information or copies of the

forms, call Lynn Forcia, Office of Self-Governance and Self-Determination, Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW., MS 2412-MIB, Washington, DC 20240 and (202) 219–5270 (This is not a toll-free number). You may send requests by facsimile to (202) 208–3664.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pub.L. 84–959 and Pub.L. 88–230 authorize the Secretary of the Interior, to help adult Indians who reside on or near Indian reservations to obtain reasonable and satisfactory employment. The information collection documents provide information necessary to administer the program for Employment Assistance or Vocational Training. The Secretary is authorized to undertake a program of vocational training that provides vocational counseling, guidance, and training in any recognized vocation, apprenticeship, trade, or on-the-job training. The program is available to Indians who are not less than 18 years old and not more than 35 years old who reside on or near an Indian reservation. The acts authorize the Secretary to enter into contracts or agreements with Federal, State, local government agencies or associations with apprenticeship programs or on-the-job training that leads to skilled employment. The same application form is used for both 25 CFR parts 26 and 27. Information of a confidential nature is protected by the Privacy Act.

You are asked to comment on the necessity of the information collection to fulfill the functions of the bureau; whether the burden estimate is accurate and the methodology and assumptions are valid; the utility, quality, and clarity of information requested; and ways that the burden might be minimized for respondents. All comments are subject to review by the public during regular business hours. If you wish your name or address withheld, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your comments. We will honor your request to the extent allowed by the law. Individuals who represent businesses or companies will have comments available for review by the public. In some cases we may decide to withhold comments from review for good reason.

Please note that an agency may not sponsor or conduct, and a person need not respond to, an information collection unless a currently valid OMB Control Number is displayed.

*Title:* Application for Training or Employment Assistance 25 CFR 26 & 27.  
*OMB Control Number:* 1076–0062.

*Description of Respondents:* Individual Indians living on or near a reservation who seek training or

employment provide the information in order to receive a benefit.

*Respondents:* 4900.

*Burden:* 30 minutes to complete.

*Total Annual Hourly Burden:* 2450 hours.

Dated: October 27, 2003.

**Aurene M. Martin,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Ione Band of Miwok Indians' Trust Acquisition and Casino Project, Amador County, CA

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), with the cooperation of the Ione Band of Miwok Indians and the National Indian Gaming Commission (NIGC), intends to gather information necessary to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposed casino project to be located within the City of Plymouth in Amador County, California. The purpose of the proposed project is to help provide for the economic development of the Ione Band. This notice also announces a public scoping meeting to identify potential issues and content for inclusion in the EIS.

**DATES:** Comments on the scope and implementation of this proposal must arrive by December 8, 2003. The public scoping meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2003, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. or until the last comment is received.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail or hand carry written comments to Mr. Clay Gregory, Acting Regional Director, Pacific Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825. The public scoping meeting will be held at the Amador County Fairgrounds, 18621 Sherwood and School Streets, Plymouth, California.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. William Allan, (916) 978–6043.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Ione Band of Miwok Indians proposes that 208.06± acres of land be taken into trust and that a casino, parking, hotel and other facilities supporting the casino be

constructed on the trust acquisition property. The gaming facility would be managed by IKON Group, LLC on behalf of the tribal government, pursuant to the terms of a management agreement between the tribal government and IKON Group, LLC. The BIA serves as the Lead Agency for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance, with the NIGC, which is responsible for approval of the gaming management contract, acting as a Cooperating Agency.

The project site is located immediately east of Highway 49, and is within 2½ miles of State Highway 16. The City of Placerville is located approximately 20 miles north of the project site, which is also accessible from State Highway 49. The project site consists of 10 parcels of land totaling 208.06± acres. Eight of the 10 parcels (10.28± acres) are located within the City of Plymouth, while the remaining 2 parcels (197.78± acres) are located on unincorporated land within Amador County.

Phase I of the Proposed Action includes the development of a 120,000± square foot casino complex, which would consist of a porte cochere, main gaming hall, food and beverage services, retail space, and administration space. Approximately 65,000 square feet of this building space would be devoted to the main gaming hall, while the balance of the facility would include administration space, small retail shops and food/beverage facilities and a small gift and art shop. The entire complex would be built on land currently within the City of Plymouth. Primary access to the casino complex would be via State Highway 49.

Phase II of the Proposed Action includes the construction of a hotel (250 rooms maximum), which will include small conference style facilities together with food and beverage services. The proposed hotel would also be fitted with a dual plumbing system for the use of potable and recycled water. In addition, site parking would be increased to supply adequate parking for hotel and conference patrons. The hotel is anticipated to be operational no sooner than the middle of year 3–4 of the project. Primary vehicle access to the hotel would be provided by the main casino and surface-parking driveway.

Areas of environmental concern to be addressed in the EIS include land use, geology and soils, water resources, agricultural resources, biological resources, cultural resources, mineral resources, paleontological resources, traffic and transportation, noise, air quality, public health/environmental hazards, public services and utilities,

hazardous materials and waste/worker safety, socio-economics, environmental justice, and visual resources/aesthetics. The range of issues addressed may be expanded based on comments received during the scoping process.

#### Public Comment Availability

Comments, including names and addresses of respondents, will be available for public review at the mailing address shown in the **ADDRESSES** section, during regular business hours, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Individual respondents may request confidentiality. If you wish us to withhold your name and/or address from public review or from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, you must state this prominently at the beginning of your written comment. Such requests will be honored to the extent allowed by law. We will not, however, consider anonymous comments. All submissions from organizations or businesses, and from individuals identifying themselves as representatives or officials of organizations or businesses will be made available for public inspection in their entirety.

#### Authority

This notice is published in accordance with section 1503.1 of the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR parts 1500 through 1508) implementing the procedural requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), and the Department of the Interior Manual (516 DM 1–6), and is in the exercise of authority delegated to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs by 209 DM 8.

Dated: October 9, 2003.

**Aurene M. Martin,**

*Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Indian Affairs

#### Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara Nation Clean Fuels Refinery, Ward County, ND

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), with the cooperation of the Mandan, Hidatsa, Arikara (MHA) Nation, intends to gather the information necessary for preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the proposed 468-acre Fee-to-Trust Transfer and Clean Fuels Refinery Project in Ward County, North Dakota. The purpose of the proposed action is to help meet the land base and economic needs of the MHA Nation.

**DATES:** You may submit written comments on the scope and implementation of this proposal through December 8, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** You may mail or hand carry written comments to Horace Pipe, 25300 366 Street SW, Makoti, North Dakota 58756.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Horace Pipe, (701) 726–5894.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MHA Nation proposes that 468 acres of land be taken into trust, that a clean fuels refinery be constructed on 160 acres of that land. The 468 acres of land to be taken into trust are in the northeast corner of the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation along the south side of North Dakota Highway 23, about 2 miles west of the turnoff to Makoti, North Dakota. The land and refinery, which will be owned and managed by the MHA Nation, will be in sections 19 and 20 of Township 152 North, Range 87 West.

The MHA Nation proposes to construct a petroleum refinery to process 10,000 barrels per stream day of synthetic crude from northern Alberta, obtained from a nearby, existing pipeline. The refinery will be a new state-of-the-art facility that will be able to meet current and proposed 2008 EPA regulations. The facility will be the most technologically advanced refinery in the United States and it will produce the cleanest gasoline and diesel fuel in the country. The project would employ 600 to 1000 positions during construction and 65 to 70 positions during operation.

The BIA will serve as the Lead Agency for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act. The Environmental Protection Agency will be a Cooperating Agency.

The EIS will assess the environmental consequences of BIA approval of the fee-to-trust transfer of land and the refinery project. Areas of environmental concern include effects to socio-economics; air quality; transportation; ground and surface water; wildlife and their habitats; threatened, endangered, or special-status species; cultural