

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Geological Survey****[Account Code GX13000101000]****Public Review of Draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard****AGENCY:** Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey.**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments on draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard.**SUMMARY:** The Federal Geographic Data Committee (FGDC) is conducting a public review of the draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard.

The FGDC has developed a draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard that provides a framework for shoreline data development, sharing of data, and shoreline data transformation and fusion. The FGDC Coastal and Marine Spatial Data Subcommittee, chaired by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), sponsored development of the draft standard. The FGDC Coordination Group, comprised of representatives of Federal agencies, has approved releasing this draft standard for public review and comment.

The draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard defines attributes or elements that are common for shoreline data development and provides suggested domains for the elements. The functional scope includes definition of data models, schemas, entities, relationships, definitions, and crosswalks to related standards. The draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard is intended to enhance the shoreline framework by providing technical guidance on shoreline semantics, data structures and their relationships to builders and users of shoreline data. The geographical scope of the draft standard comprises all shorelines of navigable waters within the United States and its territories.

The primary intended users of the National Shoreline Data Content Standard are the mapping, shoreline engineering, coastal zone management, flood insurance, and natural resource management communities. The FGDC invites all stakeholders to comment on this draft standard to ensure that it meets their needs.

The draft National Shoreline Data Content Standard may be downloaded from <https://www.fgdc.gov/standards/projects/FGDC-standards-projects/shoreline-data-content/reviseDraftNationalShorelineDataContentStandard>. Comments shall be submitted using the content template at <http://www.fgdc.gov/standards/process/standards-directives/template.doc>.

Instructions for completing the comment template are found in FGDC Standards Directive #2d, Standards Working Group Review Guidelines: Review Comment Template, <http://www.fgdc.gov/standards/process/standards-directives/directive-2d-standards-working-group-review-guidelines-review-comment-template>.

Comments that concern specific issues/changes/additions may result in revisions to the National Shoreline Data Content Standard. Reviewers may obtain information about how comments were addressed upon request. After formal endorsement of the standard by the FGDC, the National Shoreline Data Content Standard and a summary analysis of the changes will be made available to the public on the FGDC Web site, www.fgdc.gov.

DATES: Comments on the draft Coastal and Marine Ecological Classification Standard must be submitted by no later than July 31, 2013.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Julie Binder Maitra, U.S. Geological Survey, Federal Geographic Data Committee, jmaitra@fgdc.gov, 703-648-4627.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The location of our national shoreline is fundamental for legal boundaries, developing nautical charts, and engaging in marine planning and other academic research and commercial activities. Shoreline is a commonly referenced feature, but one that includes multiple definitions and is difficult to precisely map and keep up-to-date. Effective use of shoreline data requires a highly defined logical data structure that is interoperable, efficient and applicable to a broad base of government and private sector uses. Current practices have led to a highly variable shoreline data infrastructure. The National Shoreline Data Content Standard is intended to enhance the shoreline framework by providing technical guidance on shoreline semantics, data structures and their relationships to builders and users of shoreline data.

Shoreline definition protocols currently limit agencies and organizations from effectively sharing and using shoreline coincident data. Agencies have expressed an interest for greater harmonization and uniformity to shoreline data content. Enhancing shoreline content and interoperability is technically feasible and timely in relation to hydrographic, hydrologic and other related standards development. The proposed standard will tie related

protocols and existing content together in a new model using recognized reference material, definitions, semantics, and structures. Harmonizing shoreline content will lead to cost savings by reducing the time in design, data re-use, training, and implementation. In addition, harmonizing shoreline data content will assist in areas such as coastal research, historical shoreline change analysis, shoreline change prediction analysis, and the effects of relative sea level change. The National Shoreline Data Content Standard provides a framework for shoreline data development, sharing of data, and shoreline data transformation and fusion. The standard defines attributes or elements that are common for shoreline data development and provides suggested domains for the elements.

The geographical scope of the National Shoreline Data Content Standard comprises all shorelines of navigable waters within the United States and its territories. Navigable waters provide a channel for commerce and transportation of people and goods and as such are under the jurisdiction of the Federal Government.

The functional scope of the standard includes the definition of data models, schemas, entities, relationships, definitions, and crosswalks to related standards. Data discovery, transmittal, display, and delivery are not currently part of this standard.

The primary intended users of this standard are the mapping, shoreline engineering, coastal zone management, flood insurance, and natural resource management communities. The standard is intended to support the shoreline community in developing shoreline data to support data transformation, data fusion, and data sharing.

The FGDC coordinates the development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), which encompasses the policies, standards, and procedures for organizations to cooperatively produce and share geospatial data. Federal agencies that make up the FGDC develop the NSDI in cooperation with organizations from State, local and tribal governments, the academic community, and the private sector. The authority for the FGDC is OMB Circular No. A-16 Revised on Coordination of Geographic Information and Related Spatial Data Activities (Revised August 19, 2002). More information on the FGDC and the NSDI is available at <http://www.fgdc.gov>. Standards are a foundational component of the NSDI.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Energy Resource Development Program Grants

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of submission to OMB.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs is seeking comments on the renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the collection of information for grants under the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, Energy and Mineral Development Program, authorized by OMB Control Number 1076-0174. This information collection expires April 30, 2013.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 20, 2013.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collection 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 email to:

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov. Please send a copy of your comments to Division of Energy and Mineral Development, Dawn Charging, Senior Policy Analyst, 13922 Denver West Parkway, Suite 200, Lakewood, CO 80401. Email: *dawn.charging@bia.gov.*

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Energy Policy Act of 2005, 25 U.S.C. 3502(a)(2)(B) authorizes the

Secretary of the Interior to provide grants to assist Indian tribes in the development of energy resources and further the goal of Indian self-determination.

The Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED) administers and manages the energy resource development grant program under the Energy and Minerals Development Program (EMDP). Congress may appropriate funds to EMDP on a year-to-year basis. When funding is available, IEED may solicit proposals for energy resource development projects from Indian tribes and tribal energy resource development organizations for use in carrying out projects to promote the integration of energy resources, and to process, use or develop those energy resources on Indian land. The projects may be in the areas of exploration, assessment, development, feasibility, or market studies. Indian tribes that would like to apply for an EMDP grant must submit an application that includes certain information, and must assist IEED by providing information in support of any National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analyses.

II. Request for Comments

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) requests your comments on this collection 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.

Please note that an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and an individual need not respond to, a collection of information unless it displays 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, 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 us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we

cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 1076-0174.

Title: Energy and Mineral Development Program Grants.

Brief Description of Collection: Indian tribes that would like to apply for an EMDP grant must submit an application that includes certain information. A complete application must contain a current, signed tribal resolution that provides sufficient information to authorize the project and comply with the terms of the grant; a proposal describing the planned activities and deliverable products; and a detailed budget estimate. The IEED requires this information to ensure that it provides funding only to those projects that meet the goals of the EMDP and purposes for which Congress provides the appropriation. Upon acceptance of an application, a tribe must then submit one—to two—page quarterly progress reports summarizing events, accomplishments, problems and/or results in executing the project. A response is required to obtain a benefit.

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

Respondents: Federally recognized Indian tribes with Indian land.

Number of Respondents: 75 applicants per year; 30 project participants each year.

Frequency of Response: Once per year for applications; 4 times per year for progress reports.

Estimated Time per Response: 40 hours per application; 1.5 hours per progress report.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 3,180 hours (3000 for applications and 180 for progress reports).

Estimated Total Annual Non-Hour Burden: \$0.

Dated: April 12, 2013.

John Ashley,

Acting Assistant Director for Information Resources.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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Notice of Utah's Resource Advisory Council Conference Call Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of Conference Call Meeting.