

Section 6. Severability and Savings Clause

If any part or provision of this Statute is held invalid, void, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, such adjudication shall not be held to render such provisions inapplicable to other persons or circumstances. Further, the remainder of the Statute shall not be affected and shall continue to remain in full force and effect.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

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Renewal of Agency Information Collection for Water Delivery and Electric Service Data for the Operation of Irrigation and Power Projects and Systems

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) is seeking comments on the renewal of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the collection of information for Electrical Service Application authorized by OMB Control Number 1076–0021 and Water Request authorized by OMB Control Number 1076–0141. Both of these information collections expire March 31, 2016.

DATES: Submit comments on or before February 12, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the information collection to Yulan Jin, Chief, Division of Water and Power, Office of Trust Services, Mail Stop 4655—MIB, 1849 C Street NW., Washington, DC 20240; telephone: (202) 219–0941 or email: yulan.jin@bia.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Yulan Jin, telephone: (202) 219–0941 or email: yulan.jin@bia.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The BIA owns, operates, and maintains three electric power utilities that provide a service to the end user. The BIA also owns, operates, and maintains 15 irrigation projects that provide a service to the end user. To be able to properly bill for the services provided, the BIA must collect customer information to identify the individual responsible for repaying the government

the costs of delivering the service, and billing for those costs. Additional information necessary for providing the service is the location of the service delivery. The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (DCIA) requires that certain information be collected from individuals and businesses doing business with the government. This information includes the taxpayer identification number for possible future use to recover delinquent debt. To implement the DCIA requirement to collect customer information, the BIA has included a section concerning the collection of information in its regulations governing its electrical power utilities (25 CFR 175) and in its regulations governing its irrigation projects (25 CFR 171).

II. Request for Comments

The 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 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, email address, or other personally identifiable 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: 1076–0021.
Title: Electrical Service Application, 25 CFR 175.

Brief Description of Collection: In order for electric power consumers to be served, information is needed by the BIA to operate and maintain its electric power utilities and fulfill reporting requirements.

Section 175.6 and 175.22 of 25 CFR part 175, Indian electric power utilities, specifies the information collection requirement. Power consumers must apply for electric service. The information to be collected includes: Name; electric service location, and other operational information identified in the local administrative manuals. All information is collected from each electric power consumer.

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

Respondents: BIA electric power consumers—individuals and businesses.

Number of Respondents: 3,000 per year.

Estimated Time per Response: ½ hour.

Frequency of Response: The information is collected once, unless the respondent requests new electrical service elsewhere or if it has been disconnected for failure to pay their electric bill.

Obligation to respond: Responses are required to receive or maintain a benefit.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 1,500 hours.

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OMB Control Number: 1076–0141.

Title: Water Request, 25 CFR 171.

Brief Description of Collection: In order for irrigators to receive water deliveries, information is needed by the BIA to operate and maintain its irrigation projects and fulfill reporting requirements. Section 171.140 and other sections cited in section 171.40 of 25 CFR 171, [Irrigation] Operation and Maintenance, specifies the information collection requirement. Water users must apply for water delivery and for a number of other associated services, such as, subdividing a farm unit, requesting leaching service, requesting water for domestic or stock purposes, building structures or fences in BIA rights-of-way, requesting payment plans on bills, establishing a carriage agreement with a third-party, negotiating irrigation incentives leases, and requesting an assessment waiver. The information to be collected includes: Full legal name; correct mailing address; taxpayer identifying number; water delivery location; if subdividing a farm unit—a copy of the recorded plat or map of the subdivision where water will be delivered; the time and date of requested water delivery; duration of water delivery; amount of water delivered; rate of water flow; number of acres irrigated; crop statistics; any other agreements allowed under 25 CFR part 171; and any additional information required by the local project

office that provides your service. The information water users submit is for the purpose of obtaining or retaining a benefit, namely irrigation water.

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

Respondents: Water users of BIA irrigation project—individual and businesses.

Number of Respondents: 6,539 per year.

Number of Responses: 27,075 per year.

Estimated Time per Response: A range of 18 minutes to 6 hours, depending on the specific service being requested.

Frequency of Response: On occasion through the irrigation season, averaging approximately two times per year.

Obligation to respond: Responses are required to receive or maintain a benefit.

Estimated Total Annual Hour Burden: 14,059 hours.

Elizabeth K. Appel,

Director, Office of Regulatory Affairs and Collaborative Action—Indian Affairs.

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North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California Liquor Control Statute

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the liquor control statute of the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California. The liquor control statute regulates and controls the possession, sale, manufacture, and distribution of alcohol in conformity with the laws of the State of California for the purpose of generating new Tribal revenues.

DATES: This code shall become effective December 14, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Harley Long, Tribal Government Officer, Pacific Regional Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 2800 Cottage Way, Sacramento, California 95825, Telephone: (916) 978–6000, Fax: (916) 978–6099; or Ms. Laurel Iron Cloud, Chief, Division of Tribal Government Services, Office of Indian Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street NW., MS–4513–MIB, Washington, DC 20240, Telephone: (202) 513–7641.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953, Pub. Law 83–277, 67 Stat. 586, 18 U.S.C. 1161, as interpreted by the Supreme Court in *Rice v. Rehner*, 463 U.S. 713 (1983), the Secretary of the Interior shall certify and publish in the **Federal Register** notice of adopted liquor ordinances for the purpose of regulating liquor transactions in Indian country. The North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California Tribal Council duly adopted the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California Liquor Ordinance on July 07, 2014.

This notice is published in accordance with the authority delegated by the Secretary of the Interior to the Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs. I certify that the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California Tribal Council duly adopted by Resolution the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians of California Liquor Control Statute by Resolution No. 14–32 dated July 07, 2014.

Dated: December 3, 2015.

Kevin K. Washburn,

Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs.

ARTICLE ONE INTRODUCTION

Section 1. Authority

This Statute is enacted pursuant to the Act of August 15, 1953 (Pub. L. 83–277, 67 Stat. 586, 18 U.S.C. 1161) and by powers vested in the Tribal Council of the North Fork Rancheria (“Tribal Council”) to develop, adopt and enforce statutes as authorized under Article VI, Section 1 of the Constitution of the North Fork Rancheria, adopted May 18, 1996.

Section 2. Purpose

The purpose of this Statute is to regulate and control the possession, sale, manufacture and distribution of liquor within Tribal Trust Lands, in order to permit alcohol sales by tribally owned and operated enterprises and private lessees, and at tribally approved special events. Enactment of a liquor control statute will help provide a source of revenue for the continued operation of the tribal government, the delivery of governmental services, and the economic viability of tribal enterprises.

Section 3. Short Title

This Statute shall be known and cited as the “Liquor Control Statute.”

Section 4. Jurisdiction

This Statute shall apply to all lands now or in the future under the governmental authority of the Tribe, including Tribal Trust Lands.

Section 5. Application of 18 U.S.C. 1161

By adopting this Statute, the Tribe hereby regulates the sale, manufacturing, distribution, and consumption of liquor while ensuring that such activity conforms with all applicable laws of the State of California as required by 18 U.S.C. § 1161 and the United States.

Section 6. Declaration of Public Policy; Findings

The Tribal Council enacts this Statute, based upon the following findings:

(a) The distribution, possession, consumption and sale of liquor on the Tribe’s Reservation is a matter of special concern to the Tribe.

(b) The Tribe is the beneficial owner of Tribal Trust Lands, upon which the Tribe plans to construct and operate a gaming facility and related entertainment and lodging facilities.

(c) The Tribe’s gaming facility will serve as an integral and indispensable part of the Tribe’s economy, providing revenue to the Tribe’s government and employment to tribal citizens and others in the local community.

(d) Federal law, as codified at 18 U.S.C. 1154 and 1161, currently prohibits the introduction of liquor into Indian country, except in accordance with State law and the duly enacted law of the Tribe.

(e) The Tribe recognizes the need for strict control and regulation of liquor transactions on Tribal Trust Lands because of potential problems associated with the unregulated or inadequate regulated sale, possession, distribution, and consumption of liquor.

(f) Regulating the possession, sale, distribution and manufacture of liquor within Tribal Trust Lands is also consistent with the Tribe’s interest in ensuring the peace, safety, health, and general welfare of the Tribe and its citizens.

(g) Tribal control and regulation of liquor on Tribal Trust Lands is consistent with the Tribe’s custom and tradition of controlling the possession and consumption of liquor on tribal lands and at tribal events.

(h) The purchase, distribution, and sale of liquor on Tribal Trust Lands shall take place only at duly licensed (i) tribally owned enterprises, (ii) other enterprises operating pursuant to a lease with the Tribe, and (iii) tribally-sanctioned events.

(i) The sale or other commercial manufacture or distribution of liquor on Tribal Trust Lands, other than sales, manufacture, and distributions made in strict compliance with this Statute, is detrimental to the health, safety, and