

SUMMARY: This notice is to inform the general public of the availability of the "Annual Report to Congress on the Status of the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund for Fiscal Year 1998." A copy of the report may be obtained free of charge by contacting Mr. James D. Hilton. The report is also available on the Corps web site at <http://www.wrsc.usace.army.mil/iwr>. Click on Products and then click on reports.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. James D. Hilton, Operations Division, Office of the Chief of Engineers, at (202) 761-8830, fax (202) 761-1685, or e-mail James.D.Hilton@usace.army.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Harbor Maintenance Fee was authorized under Sections 1401 and 1402 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1986, Public Law 99-662. This law imposed a 0.04 percent fee on the value of commercial cargo loaded (exports and domestic cargo) or unloaded (imports) at ports which have had Federal expenditures made on their behalf by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers since 1977. Section 11214 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, Public Law 101-580, increased the Harbor Maintenance Fee to 0.125 percent, which went into effect on January 1, 1991. Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund monies are used to pay up to 100 percent of the Corps eligible Operations and Maintenance expenditures for the maintenance of commercial harbors and channels. Section 201 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996, Public Law 104-303, expanded the use of Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund monies to pay Federal expenditures for construction of dredged material disposal facilities necessary for the operation and maintenance of any harbor or inland harbor; dredging and disposing of contaminated sediments that are in or that affect the maintenance of Federal navigation channels; mitigating for impacts resulting from Federal navigation operation and maintenance activities; and operating and maintaining dredged material disposal facilities.

Section 330 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1992, Public Law 102-580, requires that the President provide an Annual Report to Congress on the Status of the Trust Fund. The release of this report is in compliance with this legislation.

Dated: February 8, 2000.

Eric R. Potts,

Colonel, Corps of Engineers, Executive Director for Civil Works.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 14, 2000.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: February 8, 2000.

William Burrow,

Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: Paul Douglas Teacher Scholarship Program Performance Report.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Federal Government; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 59; Burden Hours: 148.

Abstract: This program has not received funding since 1977. It was originally designed to assist State agencies to provide scholarships to talented and meritorious students who were seeking careers as teaching professionals.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, or should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651. Requests may also be electronically mailed to the internet address OCIO_IMG_Issues@ed.gov or faxed to 202-708-9346.

Written comments or questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at (202) 708-9266 or via his internet address Joe_Schubart@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Danny Werfel, Desk Officer,

Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10235, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address DWERFEL@OMB.EOP.GOV.

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Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs

Type of Review: Reinstatement.

Title: William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program General Forbearance Request Form.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 666,000; Burden Hours: 132,000.

Abstract: William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan Program borrowers will use this form to request a forbearance on their loans when they are willing but unable to make currently scheduled payments because of a temporary financial hardship.

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Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

Type of Review: New.

Title: State and Local Implementation of IDEA '97.

Frequency: One time.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 7,305; Burden Hours: 15,384.

Abstract: The Office of Special Education Programs is conducting a five-year study to evaluate the state and local impact and implementation of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) of 1997. The evaluation will provide information on the types and impacts of policies and practices engaged in by states, school districts, and schools to implement the provisions of IDEA '97, particularly with regard to nine key issues identified by the law. OSEP is engaging in this evaluation to report to Congress, in accordance with the provisions of IDEA '97 (Sec. 674). Clearance is sought for multiple instruments. Respondents will be state special education directors, district special education directors, and school principals.

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Questions regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Sheila Carey at (202) 708-6287 or via her internet address Sheila_Carey@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information