

*Affected Public:* Chemical Sector Facility owners and operators.

*Number of Respondents:* 2,500 annually.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 153 hours.

*Total Burden Hours:* 382,269 annually.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.00.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$34,786,190 annually.

#### Site Security Plan (SSP) and Alternative Security Program in lieu of SSP

*Frequency:* On Occasion.

*Affected Public:* Chemical Sector Facility owners and operators.

*Number of Respondents:* 2,167.

*Estimated Time Per Respondent:* 84 hours.

*Total Burden Hours:* 183,036.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.00.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):* \$14,594,411.

Dated: January 22, 2008.

**Charlie Church,**

*Chief Information Officer, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

#### Notice of Adjustment of Statewide Per Capita Threshold for Recommending a Cost Share Adjustment

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** FEMA gives notice that the statewide per capita threshold for recommending cost share adjustments for major disasters declared on or after January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008, is \$122.

**DATES:** This notice applies to major disasters declared on or after January 1, 2008.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peggy Miller, Disaster Assistance Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-2705.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to 44 CFR 206.47, the statewide per capita threshold that is used to recommend an increase of the Federal cost share from seventy-five percent

(75%) to not more than ninety percent (90%) of the eligible cost of permanent work under section 406 and emergency work under section 403 and section 407 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act is adjusted annually. The adjustment to the threshold is based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published annually by the U.S. Department of Labor. For disasters declared on January 1, 2008, through December 31, 2008, the qualifying threshold is \$122 per capita of State population.

This adjustment is based on an increase of 4.1 percent in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers for the 12-month period that ended December 2007. The Bureau of Labor Statistics of the U.S. Department of Labor released the information on January 16, 2008.

(The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households in Presidential Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidential Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidential Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.)

**R. David Paulson,**

*Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

**[Docket ID: FEMA-2007-0007]**

#### National Response Framework

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** This document provides notice of the availability of the final National Response Framework (NRF) which replaces the National Response Plan (NRP) that was issued in February 2005 and finalizes the draft version of the NRF which FEMA published for public comment in September 2007.

The NRF builds on the NRP and, using the comprehensive framework of the National Incident Management System (NIMS), serves as a guide to how the nation conducts all-hazards incident management.

**DATES:** FEMA issued the NRF on January 22, 2008. The NRF is effective March 22, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** The NRF is available online in the NRF Resource Center located at <http://www.fema.gov/NRF>. The draft and final NRF, all related **Federal Register** Notices, and all public comments received during the comment period are available at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) under Docket ID FEMA-2007-0007. You may also view a hard copy of the NRF at the Office of Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Room 835, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Tracy Haynes, Acting National Response Framework Branch Chief, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20463, 202-646-4218.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Response Framework (NRF) is applicable to all Federal departments and agencies that may be requested to provide assistance or conduct operations in the context of actual or potential disasters and includes mechanisms for the coordination and implementation of a wide variety of incident management and emergency assistance activities including Federal support to State, local, and tribal authorities; interaction with private-sector organizations; and the coordinated, direct exercise of Federal authorities, when appropriate.

By adopting the term “framework” within the title, the NRF is now more in keeping with its intended purpose, specifically, simplifying the language, presentation and content; clarifying its national focus; articulating the five principles of response doctrine; and methodically describing the who, what and how of emergency preparedness and response. The NRF explains the common discipline and structures that have been exercised and matured at the local, State, and national levels over time. It captures key lessons learned from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, particularly how the Federal Government is organized to support communities and States in catastrophic incidents.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) received numerous comments on the draft NRF, which FEMA published for public comment in September 2007. The final version

reflects many changes made as a result of those comments. The final NRF is available online in the NRF Resource Center located at <http://www.fema.gov/NRF> or <http://www.fema.gov/emergency/NRF>, and the docket for this notice at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (Docket ID FEMA-2007-0007).

**Authority:** Homeland Security Act of 2002, as amended, 6 U.S.C. 101 et seq., Homeland Security Presidential Directive-5, Management of Domestic Incidents.

Dated: January 22, 2008.

**R. David Paulison,**

*Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5188-N-02]

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Renewal Communities Annual Progress Reporting**

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comments due:* March 28, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Lillian L. Deitzer, Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 4176, Washington, DC 20410; telephone: 202-708-2374, (this is not a toll-free number) or e-mail Ms. Deitzer at [Lillian\\_L\\_Deitzer@HUD.gov](mailto:Lillian_L_Deitzer@HUD.gov) for a copy of the proposed form and other available information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Judy Mize, Office of Community Renewal, Office of Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 402-4167 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the

burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

*Title of proposal:* Renewal Communities Annual Progress Reporting.

*OMB Control Number:* 2506-0173.

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* This is an information collection for reporting requirements of 40 Renewal Communities (RCs). The information is based on the progress reported by each designee on its local and state commitments, economic growth promotion requirements, and Tax Incentive Utilization Plan (TIUP). As required by the statute (26 U.S.C. 1400 E), HUD's regulations (24 CFR 599.511) authorize HUD to require the Coordinating Responsible Authority or CoRA and the State and local governments in which the Renewal Community is located to submit periodic reports and additional information. The information submitted will enable HUD to assess performance of designees and the effectiveness of the Renewal Community Initiative.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:*

*Members of Affected Public:* State, local or Tribal government.

*Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:*

Paperwork requirement	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Annual responses	Hours per response	Burden hours
Modifications * 599.509 .....	40	2	40	10	400
Periodic Reporting 599.511 .....	40	15	40	30	1200
Response to a Letter of warning .....	0	2	.....	12	0
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>40</b>	.....	<b>80</b>	.....	<b>1,600</b>

\* It is expected that all RCs will submit a modification during this reporting period.

*Frequency of Submission:* Periodically and Annually.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

**Authority:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: January 17, 2008.

**Nelson R. Bregón,**

*General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5188-N-01]

**Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)**

**AGENCY:** Office of Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.