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Proposed regulations dealing with the acquisition of and for Indians in a trust or restricted status are being published in the Federal Register, Interior Assistant Secretary Forrest Gerard announced today.

The proposed regulations cite the authorities and enunciate the policies and procedures which are to be followed in such acquisitions. The regulations have been developed to meet a need for a clearly stated uniform policy in the acquisition of and for Indians. Several laws enacted in recent years add authorities such acquisitions and contain differing requirements and conditions for the exercise of such authority.

Comments and suggestions on the proposed regulations should be sent within 90 days of publication to the Area Realty Officer, Phoenix Area Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs, P.O Box 7007, Phoenix, Arizona 85011.

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