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Persons planning to attend the webinar should send their full name, organization, and business e-mail address to Adam Hoops at ITS America at [Ahoops@ITSA.org](mailto:Ahoops@ITSA.org) by June 16, 2011. Please specify the name of the webinar in the e-mail. For additional questions, please contact Adam Hoops at (202) 680-0091.

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**John Augustine,**

*Managing Director, ITS Joint Program Office.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### ITS Joint Program Office; Core System Requirements Walkthrough and Architecture Proposal Review Meetings and Webinars; Notice of Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Research and Innovative Technology Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) ITS Joint Program Office (ITS JPO) will host two free public meetings with accompanying webinars to discuss the Vehicle to Infrastructure (V2I) Core System Requirements and Architecture Proposal. The first meeting, June 21, 22, and 23, 2011, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. at the University of California—Washington Center, 1608 Rhode Island Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20036 (202) 974-6200, will walk through the review of System Requirements Specification and Architecture Proposal. The second meeting will be a review of the System Requirements Specification and Architecture Proposal and will take place on September 19, 20, and 21,

2011, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. at the San Jose Garden Inn 1740 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95112 (408) 793-3300. To learn more about the ITS JPO, visit the program's Web site at <http://www.its.dot.gov>.

The V2I Core System will support applications for safety, mobility, and sustainability for various modes of transportation including passenger vehicles, transit, and heavy trucks. This is the successor to work originally performed under the Vehicle Infrastructure Integration Proof of Concept (VII POC). The Core System supports a distributed, diverse set of applications.

Connected Vehicle research at the USDOT is a multimodal program that involves using wireless communication between vehicles, infrastructure, and personal communications devices to improve safety, mobility, and environmental sustainability. The program is the major research initiative of the ITS JPO which is currently working with the eight major automotive companies to develop vehicle crash warning applications using Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC) technology. In addition, the ITS JPO is working to develop of myriad of applications which will use data collected from connected vehicles that can improve safety, mobility and sustainability. There is also connected vehicle-related research in the areas of standards, data collection, certification, policy, road weather, and public transportation.

Persons planning to attend the first public meeting should send their full name, organization, business e-mail address, and meeting number they plan to attend to Adam Hoops at ITS America at [Ahoops@ITSA.org](mailto:Ahoops@ITSA.org) by June 17, 2011. Persons planning to attend the second public meeting should send their full name, organization, business e-mail address, and meeting number they plan to attend to Adam Hoops at ITS America at [Ahoops@ITSA.org](mailto:Ahoops@ITSA.org) by September 15, 2011. Please note that if you are planning to register for the webinar, please mention which webinar you will be attending. Details about how to participate in the webinars will be e-mailed to you. For additional questions, please contact Adam Hoops at (202) 680-0091.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA 2011-001-N-8]

### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and its implementing regulations, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) hereby announces that it is seeking renewal of the following currently approved information collection activities. Before submitting these information collection requirements (ICRs) for clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than August 12, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Safety, Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, "Comments on OMB control number 2130-0004." Alternatively, comments may be transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493-6216 or (202) 493-6497, or via e-mail to Mr. Brogan at [Robert.Brogan@dot.gov](mailto:Robert.Brogan@dot.gov), or to Ms. Toone at [Kimberly.Toone@dot.gov](mailto:Kimberly.Toone@dot.gov). Please refer to the assigned OMB control number in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590 (*telephone:* (202) 493-6292) or Ms. Kimberly Toone,

Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6132). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13, § 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days notice to the public for comment on information collection activities before seeking approval for reinstatement or renewal by OMB. 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1), 1320.10(e)(1), 1320.12(a). Specifically, FRA invites interested respondents to comment on the following summary of proposed information collection activities regarding (i) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (ii) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to

determine the estimates; (iii) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (iv) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public by automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses). See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)(I)-(iv); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1)(I)-(iv). FRA believes that soliciting public comment will promote its efforts to reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information mandated by Federal regulations. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (i) Reduce reporting burdens; (ii) ensure that it organizes information collection requirements in a "user friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (iii) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

Below is a brief summary of the currently approved ICRs that FRA will

submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

*Title:* Railroad Locomotive Safety Standards and Event Recorder.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0004.

*Abstract:* The Locomotive Inspection requires railroads to inspect, repair, and maintain locomotives and event recorders so that they are safe, free of defects, and can be placed in service without peril to life. Crashworthy locomotive event recorders provide FRA with verifiable factual information about how trains are maintained and operated, and are used by FRA and State inspectors for Part 229 rule enforcement. The information garnered from crashworthy event recorders is also used by railroads to monitor railroad operations and by railroad employees (locomotive engineers, train crews, dispatchers) to improve train handling, and promote the safe and efficient operation of trains throughout the country, based on a surer knowledge of different control inputs.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Respondent Universe:* 744 Railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Reporting Burden:*

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours
229.9—Movement of Non-Complying Locomotives .....	744 Railroads .....	21,000 tags .....	1 minute .....	350
229.17—Accident Reports .....	744 Railroads .....	1 report .....	15 minutes .....	.25
29.21—Daily Inspection .....	744 Railroads .....	5,655,000 insp. reports/records.	1 minute or 3 minutes.	155,350
Written Reports of MU Locomotive Inspections .....	744 Railroads .....	250 written reports ..	3 minutes .....	13
Form FRA F 6180.49A .....	744 Railroads .....	4,000 forms .....	2 minutes .....	133
210.31—Locomotive Noise Emission Test .....	744 Railroads .....	100 tests/remarks ....	15 minutes .....	25
229.23—Periodic Inspections of Locomotives and Steam Generators.	744 Railroads .....	87,000 tests/forms ...	8 hours .....	696,000
229.33—Out of Use Credit for Locomotives .....	744 Railroads .....	500 out-of-use notations.	5 minutes .....	42
229.25—Periodic Inspection of Event Recorders—Written Copy of Instructions—Amendments.	744 Railroads .....	200 amendments ....	15 minutes .....	50
Data Verification Readout .....	744 Railroads .....	4,025 readout records/reports.	90 minutes .....	6,038
Pre-Maintenance Test Failures .....	744 Railroads .....	700 test failure notations.	30 minutes .....	350
229.135—Removal from Service .....	744 Railroads .....	1,000 removal tags ..	1 minute .....	17
Preserving Accident Data .....	744 Railroads .....	2,930 data reports ...	15 minutes .....	733
229.27—Annual Tests .....	744 Railroads .....	700 test records ....	90 minutes .....	1,050
229.135—Certified Memory Modules .....	744 Railroads .....	200 certified memory modules.	2 hours + 200 hours for test design.	600
Lead Locomotives w/Certified Module .....	744 Railroads .....	600 certified memory modules.	2 hours .....	1,200
Re-Manufactured Event Recorders with Certified Module.	744 Railroads .....	1,000 certified memory modules.	2 hours .....	2,000

*Form(s):* FRA F 6180.49A.  
*Total Responses:* 5,779,206.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 863,951 hours.  
*Type of Request:* Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b), 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

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**Kimberly Coronel,**

*Director, Office of Financial Management,  
Federal Railroad Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Railroad Administration**

[Docket No. FRA-2011-0001-N-7]

**Proposed Agency Information  
Collection Activities; Comment  
Request**

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration, (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Approvals.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b), this notice announces that new information collection requirements (ICRs) listed below have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). These new ICRs pertain to 49 CFR parts 213, 216, 220, 225, 229, 236, 237, and 240. Additionally, FRA hereby announces that additional ICRs listed below have been re-approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). These ICRs pertain to parts 207, 209, 210, 212, 214, 215, 216, 218, 219, 221, 222, 223, 228, 234, 238, 239, and 244. The OMB approval numbers, titles, and expiration dates are included herein under supplementary information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS-21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6292), or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., NW., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6132). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13, § 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to display OMB control numbers and inform respondents of their legal significance once OMB approval is obtained. The following new FRA information collections were approved within the last 18 months: (1.) OMB No.

2130-0533, Qualification for Locomotive Engineers (Final Rule) (49 CFR part 240). The new expiration date for this information collection is July 31, 2013. (2.) OMB No. 2130-0553, Positive Train Control (Final Rule) (49 CFR part 236). The new expiration date for this information collection is May 31, 2013. (3.) OMB No. 2130-0544, Passenger Equipment Safety Standards (Final Rule) (49 CFR parts 216, 229, 238). The new expiration date for this information collection is May 31, 2013. (4.) OMB No. 2130-0587, Notice of Funds Availability and Solicitation of Applications under the Railroad Safety Technology Grant Program (Form FRA F 6180.154). The new expiration date for this information collection is October 31, 2013. (5.) OMB No. 2130-2130-0589, State Highway Rail Grade Crossing Action Plans (Final Rule) (49 CFR part 234). The new expiration date for this information collection is October 31, 2013. (6.) OMB No. 2130-0586, Bridge Safety Standards (Final Rule) (49 CFR parts 213, 237). The new expiration date for this information collection is May 31, 2014. (7.) OMB No. 2130-0590, Alleged Violation Reporting Form (Form FRA F 6180.151). The new expiration date for this information collection is December 31, 2013. (8.) OMB No. 2130-0524, Railroad Communications (Restrictions on Railroad Employees Use of Cellular Telephones and Other Electronic Devices) (Final Rule) (49 CFR part 220). The new expiration date for this information collection is February 28, 2014. (9.) OMB No. 2130-0500, Miscellaneous Amendments to FRA's Accident and Incident Reporting Requirements (Final Rule) (49 CFR part 225) (Forms FRA F 6180.39i, 6180.54, 6180.55, 6180.55a, 6180.56, 6180.57, 6180.78, 6180.81, 6180.98, 6180.107, and 6180.150). The new expiration date for this information collection is February 28, 2014.

The following information collections were re-approved: (1.) OMB No. 2130-0580, Notice of Funds Availability and Solicitation of Applications for Grants under the Railroad Rehabilitation and Repair Grant Program. The new expiration date for this information collection is January 31, 2013. (2.) OMB No. 2130-0509, State Safety Participation Regulations and Remedial Actions (49 CFR parts 209 and 212) (Forms FRA F 6180.33, 6180.61, 6180.67, 6180.96, 6180.109, 6180.110, 6180.111, 6180.112). The new expiration date for this information collection is February 28, 2013. (3.) OMB No. 2130-0560, Use of Locomotive Horns at Highway-Rail Grade Crossings (49 CFR part 222). The new expiration

date for this information collection is February 28, 2013. (4.) OMB No. 2130-0584, American Recovery and Reinvestment Solicitation of Applications and Notice of Funds Availability for High-Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service—Capital Assistance and Planning Grant Program (Form FRA F 6180.132, 6180.33, 6180.34(a)-(d), 6180.135, 6180.138, 6180.139). The new expiration date for this information collection is January 31, 2013. (5.) OMB No. 2130-0525, Certification of Glazing Materials (49 CFR part 223). The new expiration date for this information collection is March 31, 2013. (6.) OMB No. 2130-0529, Disqualification Proceedings (49 CFR part 209). The new expiration date for this information collection is April 30, 2013. (7.) OMB No. 2130-0511, Designation of Qualified Persons (49 CFR part 215). The new expiration date for this information collection is May 31, 2013. (8.) OMB No. 2130-0545, Passenger Train Emergency Preparedness (49 CFR 239). The new expiration date for this information collection is June 30, 2013. (9.) OMB No. 2130-0526, Control of Alcohol and Drug Use in Railroad Operations (49 CFR part 219). The new expiration date for this information collection is April 30, 2012. (10.) OMB No. 2130-0516, Remotely Controlled Switch Operations (49 CFR part 218). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (11.) OMB No. 2130-0519, Bad Order and Home Shop Card (49 CFR part 215). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (12.) OMB No. 2130-0520, Stenciling Reporting Mark on Freight Cars (49 CFR part 215). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (13.) OMB No. 2130-0523, Rear-End Marking Devices (49 CFR part 221). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (14.) OMB No. 2130-0527, Locomotive Certification (Noise Compliance Regulations) (49 CFR part 210). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (15.) OMB No. 2130-0534, Grade Crossing Signal System Safety (49 CFR 234). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (16.) OMB No. 2130-0535, Bridge Worker Safety Rules (49 CFR part 214). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (17.) OMB No. 2130-0537, Railroad Police Officers (49 CFR part 207). The new expiration date for this information collection is September 30, 2013. (18.) OMB No. 2130-0502, Filing