

Request for Non-substantive Change to an Existing Information Collection Request

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Project Title: National Occupational Research Agenda (NORA) 2016 Decade Review

Data Collection Instrument: Council Survey

Justification for non-substantive change:

Form	Current Question/Item	Requested Change
Council Survey	4.1. Was the sector based structure an effective way to organize the second decade of NORA? Yes/No/ Uncertain	The request is to add an open-ended prompt asking responders to explain their response to the question. The proposed revised item would read: 4.1. Was the sector based structure an effective way to organize the second decade of NORA? Yes/No/ Uncertain Please Explain:

NIOSH is currently conducting a management review of the second decade of NORA. This includes collecting data from NIOSH personnel about NIOSH program activities and from current and former sector council leaders and members who are not Federal employees. We would like to make a change to one item in the questionnaire that will be sent to current and former sector council members. The proposed revision adds an open-ended prompt (“please explain”) to the item, which will allow respondents to expand on ways they perceive the current NORA decade as effective or ineffective. These responses will provide additional insight into the effectiveness and efficiency of NORA, which is the focus of one of the evaluation questions. This same item, with the open-ended prompt, is also included in the questionnaires being sent to NIOSH personnel. Thus, the inclusion of the open-ended prompt in the sector council survey will allow for effective comparison of this item across varied groups.

The additional question will not increase the estimated burden since the responses should be brief and are expected to be completed by a proportion of respondents.