

training strategies and solutions that effectively and efficiently address the diverse abilities, schedules, learning styles, geographies and resources of FPAs who implement this Federal Government program on behalf of their local communities. The information collection, to be administered by an independent, third-party research organization, will allow for a data-informed approach to understanding the needs and expectations of an important and specific group of FEMA partners and customers for their development and program administration. By using this approach, FEMA will be able to gain important insights about FPAs and how to improve its offerings and support as well as to allocate resources more effectively. The ultimate objective is to reduce the socio-economic impact of floods through better preparation of FPAs to assist communities adopt and enforce floodplain management regulations that help mitigate flooding effects and thus support property owners, renters, and businesses to recover faster after a flooding event.

The primary law that supports the information collection efforts is the Government Performance and Results Act of 1993, 31 U.S.C. 1116, which has as one of its purposes “improve Federal programs effectiveness and public accountability by promoting a new focus on results, service quality, and customer satisfaction.”

Collection of Information

Title: Floodplain Administrator (FPA) National Training Needs Assessment.

Type of Information Collection: New information collection.

OMB Number: 1660–NW160.

FEMA Forms: FEMA Form FF–206–FY–22–159, Floodplain Administrator Training Needs Assessment.

Abstract: The online survey will collect information from Floodplain Administrators regarding their training needs, floodplain management experiences, and demographics. The data will be used to help FEMA, State, Tribal, and Territorial NFIP Offices, and Floodplain Associations to develop training strategies and solutions that effectively and efficiently address those needs to produce improved outcomes for the National Flood Insurance Program.

Affected Public: State, local, or Tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 6,323.

Estimated Number of Responses: 6,323.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,161.5.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: \$124,310.

Estimated Respondents' Operation and Maintenance Costs: \$0.

Estimated Respondents' Capital and Start-Up Costs: \$0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: \$420,329.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA–2022–0038; OMB No. 1660–NW144]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; FEMA Region II Community and Faith-Based Organizations Needs/Capabilities and Continuity Program Survey

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 60-Day notice of new collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public to take this opportunity to comment on a new

information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning a series of surveys on continuity planning and organizational needs and capabilities from various stakeholders.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 6, 2023.

ADDRESSES: To avoid duplicate submissions to the docket, please submit comments at www.regulations.gov under Docket ID FEMA–2022–0038. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID, and will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy and Security Notice that is available via a link on the homepage of www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeremy Brooks, Management and Program Analyst, at jeremy.brooks@fema.dhs.gov or 202–355–4981. You may contact the Information Management Division for copies of the proposed collection of information at email address: FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The legal basis for the collection off the following information includes titles 6 and 42 of the United States Code. The sections in title 6 include 313, 314, and 317, which provides legal authority and responsibilities to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and to its respective regional offices to work with state, local, territorial and Tribal (SLTT) governments and private non-profits (PNP) with disaster preparedness. The sections in title 42 include 5131(a), 5131(b), 5195, 5195(a), 5196(e), and 5196(f). The identified sub sections of 5131 provides legal authority to FEMA Federal and state disaster preparedness programs via utilization of services of other agencies and technical assistance. Sections 5195 and 5195(a) vests responsibility for emergency preparedness in the Federal Government and provides definitions for relevant terms. Sections 5196(e) and 5196(f) provides detailed functions of administration for emergency preparedness measures and training programs. All these legal authorities affirm the authority of FEMA Region II to collect this information and the critical need to do so.

Additionally, the Presidential Policy Directive (PPD-8)—National Preparedness, identifies core capabilities to track and improve on to reach the National Preparedness Goal. The proposed collection works to improve tracking of core capabilities across FEMA Region II to most efficiently use resources to meet the National Preparedness Goal.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) National Preparedness Division (NPD) is responsible for educating and securing the nation with the capabilities required across the whole community to prevent, protect against, mitigate, respond to, and recover from the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk. One of the ways FEMA accomplishes this is through conducting exercises, trainings, and webinars where stakeholders like SLTT governments and PNP entities participate.

These delivery methodology of these programs to a variety of stakeholders are always evolving and continuously improving to meet stakeholder's needs. Likewise, as internal agency policy changes, so can delivery methods. Specifically for FEMA, this includes release of the 2022–2026 FEMA Strategic Plan. Strategic Goal #3 includes Promote and Sustain a Ready FEMA and Prepared Nation, and the objectives 3.1—Strengthen the Emergency Management Workforce and 3.2—Posture FEMA to Meet Current and Emergency Threats. This strategic goal and its associated objectives are well aligned to priorities of FEMA Region II's National Preparedness Division, with internal goals of data-driven capacity building and a more equitable approach to program delivery.

By better gauging stakeholder capacity and needs at an organizational level we can better provide programs and services to our stakeholders to ultimately improve preparedness in FEMA Region II.

Authorities for the collection of information include the following:

Presidential Policy Directive (PPD-8), National Preparedness; 6 U.S.C. 313, 314, 317(c); 42 U.S.C. 5195, 5195a, 5196(e) and (f); 42 U.S.C. 5131(a) and (b).

Collection of Information

Title: FEMA Region II Community and Faith-Based Organizations Needs/ Capabilities and Continuity Program Survey.

Type of Information Collection: New information collection.

OMB Number: 1660–NW144.

FEMA Forms: FEMA Form FF-008–FY-22-128, Region II Community and

Faith-Based Organizations Needs/ Capabilities Feedback Survey.

Abstract: FEMA Region II (NJ, NY, PR, VI) is working to better assess the ability of stakeholders' emergency response capabilities to better target program design and delivery in the future. These voluntary survey questions are designed to collect actionable data at the organizational level and allows for a better understanding of potential future collaborations.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Government;

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,862.

Estimated Number of Responses: 1,862.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 466.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: \$19,086.

Estimated Respondents' Operation and Maintenance Costs: \$0.

Estimated Respondents' Capital and Start-Up Costs: \$0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: \$9,437.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement

[Docket No. ICEB-2022-0013]

RIN 1653–ZA33

Employment Authorization for Yemeni F-1 Nonimmigrant Students Experiencing Severe Economic Hardship as a Direct Result of the Crisis in Yemen

AGENCY: U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Secretary of Homeland Security (Secretary) is suspending certain regulatory requirements for F-1 nonimmigrant students whose country of citizenship is Yemen, regardless of country of birth (or individuals having no nationality who last habitually resided in Yemen), and who are experiencing severe economic hardship as a direct result of the crisis in Yemen. The Secretary is taking action to provide relief to these Yemeni students who are lawful F-1 nonimmigrant students so the students may request employment authorization, work an increased number of hours while school is in session, and reduce their course load while continuing to maintain their F-1 nonimmigrant student status. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) will deem an F-1 nonimmigrant student who receives employment authorization by means of this notice to be engaged in a “full course of study” for the duration of the employment authorization, if the nonimmigrant student satisfies the minimum course load requirement described in this notice.

DATES: This notice is effective from March 4, 2023, through September 3, 2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Snyder, Unit Chief, Policy and Response Unit, Student and Exchange Visitor Program, MS 5600, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 500 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20536–5600; email: sevp@ice.dhs.gov, telephone: (703) 603–3400. This is not a toll-free number. Program information can be found at <https://www.ice.gov/sevis/>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: