

in each State on their records and observations of truck parking use and patterns, including the location and frequency of trucks parked adjacent to roadways and on exit and entrance ramps to roadway facilities. FHWA intends to survey trucking companies and truck drivers regarding the location and frequency of insufficient truck parking and capacity at rest facilities, future truck parking needs and locations, availability of information on truck parking capacity, and other impediments to identification, access, and use of truck parking. Other questions may be included as needed as a result of input from the focus groups, stakeholder outreach or at FHWA's discretion, or as follow-up to the survey.

Frequency: Annually.

Estimated Average Burden per Response:

State Departments of Transportation = 52 (4 hours each) = 208 hours;

State Enforcement Personnel = 52 (1 hour each) = 52 hours;

Port Operators = 205 (1 hour each) = 205 hours;

Private Truck Stop Facility Owners/Operators = 524 (1 hour each) = 524 hours;

Truck Drivers and Industry Professionals = 12,456 (30 minutes each) = 6,228 hours;

Total Numbers of Respondents = 13,289 respondents

Total Burden Hours = 7,217 hours

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: Total estimated average annual burden is 7,217 hours.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2024-0042]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Notice of Request for Renewal of Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for renewal of currently approved information collection.

SUMMARY: The FHWA has forwarded the information collection request described in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a renewal of a currently approved information collection. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by June 27, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number 0042 by any of the following methods:

Website: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Hand Delivery or Courier: U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth Petty, 202-366-6654, Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, between 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on March 7, 2024, at 89 FR 16611.

There were no comments received.

Title: Assessment of Transportation Agency Needs, Capabilities, and Capacity.

OMB Control: 2125-0655.

Background: The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) is committed to advancing the transportation planning process working with States, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, Tribal governments, and transit operators as they make long- and short-range transportation improvement priorities in coordination with the traveling public, the business community, community groups, environmental organizations, and freight operators. Through this effort FHWA will update information on the current state of the practice, data, methods, and systems used by State, metropolitan, regional, local, and Tribal transportation planning entities to support their required planning process in accordance with Title 23 United States Code 134 and 135. This information will be used to develop and deliver existing and future Federal Highway Programs through successful partnerships, value-added stewardship, and risk-based oversight. This effort ensures FHWA's renewed focus on equity and organizational excellence, which translates into having a skilled workforce and support system positioned and equipped to deliver its mission.

Respondents: 50 State Transportation Departments, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, American Samoa, and the Virgin Islands; Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO), Tribal Governments, and/or Regional Planning Organizations (RPO).

Frequency: Annually.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: Each State, MPO, Tribal Government, and RPO will be solicited to provide information up to two times per year. The annual number of burden hours (professional and clerical staff) per respondent to answer questions on the current state of the practice, data, methods, and systems used by state, metropolitan, regional, local, and tribal transportation planning entities to support their required planning process is estimated to be 3 (biannually $\times$ 1.5 hours).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: The total estimated annual burden for all respondents is estimated to be 2,850 burden hours (3 burden hours per respondent times 950 respondents).

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and

clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB’s clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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Jazmyne Lewis,
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration
[Docket No. FRA–2024–0011]

Proposed Agency Information
Collection Activities; Comment
Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).
ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, FRA seeks approval of the Information Collection Request (ICR) summarized below. Before submitting this ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval, FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified in the ICR.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before July 29, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed ICR should be submitted on *regulations.gov* to the docket, Docket No. FRA–2024–0011. All comments received will be

posted without change to the docket, including any personal information provided. Please refer to the assigned OMB control number (2130–0571) in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in a subsequent 30-day notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Arlette Mussington, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: *arlette.mussington@dot.gov* or telephone: (571) 609–1285 or Ms. Joanne Swafford, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: *joanne.swafford@dot.gov* or telephone: (757) 897–9908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PRA, 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 to allow comment on information collection activities before seeking OMB approval of the activities. *See* 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. Specifically, FRA invites interested parties to comment on the following ICR regarding: (1) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (2) 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; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. *See* 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1).

FRA believes that soliciting public comment may reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information that

Federal regulations mandate. In summary, comments received will advance three objectives: (1) reduce reporting burdens; (2) organize information collection requirements in a “user-friendly” format to improve the use of such information; and (3) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. *See* 44 U.S.C. 3501.

The summary below describes the ICR that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

Title: Occupational Noise Exposure for Railroad Operating Employees.

OMB Control Number: 2130–0571.

Abstract: Title 49 CFR part 227 contains requirements for occupational noise exposure. FRA uses the collection of information to ensure that railroads covered by this rule establish and implement noise monitoring, hearing conservation, and audiometric testing programs to protect their employees against the harmful effects of excessive noise in the workplace.

Additionally, railroads must maintain testing and training records on noise and hearing conservation. Further, railroads must make exposure measurement records for specific locations available to regional or national labor representatives upon request.

In this 60-day notice, FRA has made minor adjustments to correct rounding from the previous submission, resulting in a decrease in burden of 6 hours. The estimated paperwork burden for this submission is 3,974 hours.

Type of Request: Extension without change (with changes in estimates) of a currently approved information collection.

Affected Public: Businesses (Railroads, railroads equipment manufacturers).

Form(s): N/A.

Respondent Universe: 531 railroads.

Frequency of Submission: On occasion.

REPORTING BURDEN

CFR section	Respondent universe ¹	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Wage Rate ²	Total cost equivalent in U.S. dollars
		(A)	(B)	(C = A * B)	(E)	(D = C * E)
227.13—Waivers	531 railroads	0.30 petitions (1 petition over 3-year period.	1.00 hour	0.30 hours	\$85.93	\$25.78

¹ The total respondent universe is taken from the 2022 railroad classification data. The total of 531 represents all Class I, II and III (751) less the small

railroads such as tourist, steam, historic, and excursion (220).

² Throughout the tables in this document, the dollar equivalent cost is derived from the 2022

Surface Transportation Board Full Year Wage A & B data series using the appropriate employee group to calculate the average hourly rate that includes 75 percent overhead.