

Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback” (OMB Control Number: 0690-0030)

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION:

NOAA Typical Meteorological Year (TMY) - Feedback Form

PURPOSE:

NOAA is seeking user input to understand how we could evolve the existing approach with the TMY product to deliver and disseminate information nationwide, in a manner that maximizes its utility by communities and practitioners upon final publication.

Typical Meteorological Year (TMY) is a digital data set archived at the National Centers for Environmental Information (NCEI). Solar radiation and surface meteorological data recorded on an hourly basis are included in this file. These data cover recording periods from January 1953 through December 1975 for 26 data rehabilitation stations, although the recording periods for some stations may differ. The TMY files comprise specific calendar months selected from the entire recorded span for a given station as the most representative or typical, for that station and month. The major parameters in this file are solar time, extraterrestrial radiation (RAD), direct radiation, diffuse radiation, net radiation, tilt radiation, observed radiation, engineering corrected radiation, standard year corrected radiation, sunshine, sky condition, visibility, weather, pressure, temperature and snow cover.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:

Users of the TMY product (primarily architects and engineers) interested in climate “normals” for a specific location.

TYPE OF COLLECTION: (Check one)

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| ☐ Customer Comment Card/Complaint Form | ☒ Customer Satisfaction Survey |
| ☐ Usability Testing (e.g., Website or Software) | ☐ Small Discussion Group |
| ☐ Focus Group | ☐ Other: _____ |

CERTIFICATION:

I certify the following to be true:

1. The collection is voluntary.
2. The collection is low-burden for respondents and low-cost for the Federal Government.
3. The collection is non-controversial and does not raise issues of concern to other federal agencies.
4. The results are not intended to be disseminated to the public.
5. Information gathered will not be used for the purpose of substantially informing influential policy decisions.
6. The collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the future.

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To assist review, please provide answers to the following question:

Personally Identifiable Information:

1. Is personally identifiable information (PII) collected? ☒ Yes ☐ No
2. If Yes, will any information that is collected be included in records that are subject to the Privacy Act of 1974? ☐ Yes ☒ No
3. If Yes, has an up-to-date System of Records Notice (SORN) been published? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Gifts or Payments:

Is an incentive (e.g., money or reimbursement of expenses, token of appreciation) provided to participants? ☐ Yes ☒ No

BURDEN HOURS

Category of Respondent	No. of Respondents	Participation Time	Burden Hours
TMY product User (Private Sector - Architects, Engineers, Transportation Sector, etc.)	~100	5 minutes	1.5
Totals	100		1.5

FEDERAL COST: The estimated annual cost to the Federal government is _____\$1,288____
The cost was calculated using the loaded salary for a ZA-2 at the Rest of U.S. locality rate at 1% effort.

If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

The selection of your targeted respondents

1. Do you have a customer list or something similar that defines the universe of potential respondents and do you have a sampling plan for selecting from this universe? ☐ Yes ☒ No

NOAA will post this feedback form on the TMY product webpage in order to reach the largest audience for this data.

Administration of the Instrument

1. How will you collect the information? (Check all that apply)
☒ Web-based or other forms of Social Media
☐ Telephone
☐ In-person
☐ Mail
☐ Other, Explain
2. Will interviewers or facilitators be used? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Required Additional Information

1. Line of Business: Environmental Management
2. Subfunction: Environmental Monitoring and Forecasting
3. Privacy Act System of Records: NOAA-11
4. Federal Registration citation information: 80 FR 72948
5. Number of respondents for small entities: 0
6. Percentage of respondents reporting electronically: 100%

Please submit all instruments, instructions, correspondences (emails, letters, etc.) to respondents, and scripts as separate documents along with this request document. Every instrument must have the following displayed –

OMB Control No. 0690-0030

Expiration Date: 07/31/2023

Instructions for completing Request for Approval under the “Generic Clearance for the Collection of Routine Customer Feedback”

TITLE OF INFORMATION COLLECTION: Provide the name of the collection that is the subject of the request. (e.g. Comment card for soliciting feedback on xxxx)

PURPOSE: Provide a brief description of the purpose of this collection and how it will be used. If this is part of a larger study or effort, please include this in your explanation.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: Provide a brief description of the targeted group or groups for this collection of information. These groups must have experience with the program.

TYPE OF COLLECTION: Check one box. If you are requesting approval of other instruments under the generic, you must complete a form for each instrument.

CERTIFICATION: Please read the certification carefully. If you incorrectly certify, the collection will be returned as improperly submitted or it will be disapproved.

Personally Identifiable Information: Provide answers to the questions. Note: Agencies should only collect PII to the extent necessary, and they should only retain PII for the period of time that is necessary to achieve a specific objective.

Gifts or Payments: If you answer yes to the question, please describe the incentive and provide a justification for the amount.

BURDEN HOURS:

Category of Respondents: Identify who you expect the respondents to be in terms of the following categories: (1) Individuals or Households; (2) Private Sector; (3) State, local, or tribal governments; or (4) Federal Government. Only one type of respondent can be selected per row.

No. of Respondents: Provide an estimate of the Number of respondents.

Participation Time: Provide an estimate of the amount of time required for a respondent to participate (e.g. fill out a survey or participate in a focus group)

Burden: Provide the Annual burden hours: Multiply the Number of responses and the participation time and divide by 60.

FEDERAL COST: Provide an estimate of the annual cost to the Federal government.

If you are conducting a focus group, survey, or plan to employ statistical methods, please provide answers to the following questions:

The selection of your targeted respondents. Please provide a description of how you plan to identify your potential group of respondents and how you will select them. If the answer is yes, to the first question, you may provide the sampling plan in an attachment.

Administration of the Instrument: Identify how the information will be collected. More than one box may be checked. Indicate whether there will be interviewers (e.g. for surveys) or facilitators (e.g., for focus groups) used.

Submit all instruments, instructions, and scripts are submitted with the request.