

Parkway, Aurora, CO 80012; (303) 739-6600.

- Denver Public Library, Central Branch, 10 W. Fourteenth Ave. Parkway, Denver, CO 80204; (720) 865-1733.

- Auraria Campus Library, 1100 Lawrence St., Denver, CO 80204; (303) 556-3532.

- Highlands Ranch Library, 9292 Ridgeline Blvd., Highlands Ranch, CO 80129, (303) 791-7703.

- Philip S. Miller Library, 100 S. Wilcox, Castle Rock, CO 80104; (303) 688-7700.

- FHWA Offices, 12300 W. Dakota Ave., Suite 180, Lakewood, CO 80228; (720) 963-3000.

- USDA Forest Service, Regional Office, 740 Simms, Lakewood, CO, 80401; (303) 275-5427.

- Jefferson County Offices, 100 Jefferson County Parkway, Suite 3500, Golden, CO 80419; (303) 271-8470.

- Commissioner's Office, 405 Argentine, Georgetown, CO 80444; (303) 679-2310.

- Tomay Memorial Library, 605 6th Street, Georgetown, CO 80444; (303) 569-2620.

- Clear Creek County Planning Office (Library), 405 Argentine St., Georgetown, CO 80444; (303) 679-2455.

- Gateway Visitor Center, 1491 Argentine St., Georgetown, CO 80444; (303) 569-0289.

- Idaho Springs Heritage Museum and Visitor's Center; 2060 Miner Street, Idaho Springs, CO 80452; (303) 567-4382.

- Idaho Springs Public Library, 219 14th Ave., Idaho Springs, CO 80452; (303) 567-2020.

- U.S. Forest Service, Clear Creek Ranger District, 101 Chicago Creek Road, Idaho Springs, CO 80452; (303) 567-3000.

- Clear Creek High School (Library), 185 Beaver Brook Canyon Road, Evergreen, CO 80439; (303) 679-4601.

- Silver Plume Small Town Hall, 285 Main St., Silver Plume, CO 80476; (303) 569-2363.

- Historic Dumont School House, 150 Dumont Lane, Dumont, CO 80436; open by appointment, (303) 771-3078.

- Fraser Valley Library, 421 Norgren Rd., Fraser, CO 80442; (970) 726-5689.

- Summit County Planning Office, Summit County Commons Bldg. 1st Floor, 37 County Road 1005, Frisco, CO 80443; (970) 668-4200.

- Summit County Public Library, Main Branch, Summit County Commons Bldg., 37 County Road 1005, Frisco, CO 80443; (970) 668-5555.

- Summit County Public Library, North Branch, 651 Center Circle, Silverthorne, CO 80498; (970) 468-5887.

- USDA Forest Service, Dillon Ranger District, 680 River Parkway, Silverthorne, CO 80498; (970) 468-5400.

- Eagle County Engineering Office, 500 Broadway, Eagle, CO 81631; (970) 328-3560.

- Avon Municipal Building, 400 Benchmark Rd., Avon, CO 81620; (970) 748-4035.

- Vail Public Library, 292 W. Meadow Dr., Vail, CO 81657; (970) 479-2185.

- Lake County Public Library, 1115 Harrison Ave., Leadville, CO 80461; (719) 486-0569.

- Pitkin County Library, 120 North Mill St., Aspen, CO 81611; (970) 925-4025.

- CDOT, Region 3, 202 Centennial St., Glenwood Springs, CO 81601; (970) 384-3332.

- Glenwood Springs Public Library, 413 9th St., Glenwood Springs, CO 81601; (970) 945-5958.

- USDA Forest Service, 900 Grand Ave., Glenwood Springs, CO 81602; (970) 945-2521.

- CDOT, Region 3, 222 S. 6th St., Grand Junction, CO 81501; (970) 248-7223.

- Grand Junction Public Library, 530 Grand Ave., Grand Junction, CO 81501; (970) 683-2429.

In addition to the above public repositories, the policy for distribution will be as follows:

- A 2-volume compact disc set will be provided to each entity represented on the Mountain Corridor Advisory Committee (MCAC)/Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), Section 106 consulting parties, and the I-70 Coalition. Upon request, one hard copy of the document will be provided to each entity represented on the MCAC/TAC, the Section 106 consulting parties, and the I-70 Coalition.

The Draft PEIS will also be available for review in the following formats:

- Compact Disc—2 volume set—PDF format (by request).

- Executive Summary only—hard copy (by request).

- The PEIS Web site at <http://www.i70mtncorridor.com>.

#### Background

This Draft PEIS focuses on broad approaches to address travel demand and performance of transportation systems within the context of the I-70 corridor communities and environmental setting. At this Tier 1 level of analysis, the Draft PEIS provides an evaluation of a broad range of mode choices and general locations of proposed transportation improvements for I-70 between Glenwood Springs and C-470. The study area extends

approximately 144 miles across Garfield, Eagle, Summit, Clear Creek and Jefferson Counties. This Draft PEIS includes an examination of the purpose and need, alternatives under consideration, travel demand, and consistent with a programmatic level of analysis, describes the affected environment, environmental consequences, and identifies mitigation policies for the proposed transportation systems under consideration. Twenty build alternatives and a No-Action Alternative are presented in the Draft PEIS. Of these, a group of nine preferred alternatives have been identified and are under consideration by FHWA and CDOT in the Draft PEIS. After a preferred alternative has been identified in the Final Programmatic EIS, and an alternative is selected in the Record of Decision, subsequent design, environmental analysis, documentation, and review will be prepared in a Tier 2 document, which will include site-specific, project level details.

Comments from interested parties on the Draft PEIS are encouraged and may be presented verbally at a public hearing or may be submitted in writing to the CDOT and/or the FHWA.

The FHWA and CDOT invite interested individuals, organizations, and federal, state, and local agencies to comment on the evaluated alternatives and associated social, economic, or environmental impacts related to the alternatives.

Issued on: December 3, 2004.

**Douglas Bennett,**

*Assistant Division Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Lakewood, Colorado.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

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

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**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 approval of the following information collection activities. Before submitting these information collection requirements 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 February 8, 2005.

**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, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Debra Steward, Office of Information Technology and Productivity Improvement, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., 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 2130-0557. Alternatively, comments may be transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493-6230 or (202) 493-6170, or e-mail to Mr. Brogan at [robert.brogan@fra.dot.gov](mailto:robert.brogan@fra.dot.gov), or to Ms. Steward at [debra.steward@fra.dot.gov](mailto:debra.steward@fra.dot.gov). Please refer to the assigned OMB control number or collection title 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, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 17, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6292) or Debra Steward, Office of Information Technology and Productivity Improvement, RAD-20, Federal

Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6139). (These telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Pub. L. 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 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 current information collection activities that FRA will submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

*Title:* Safety Integration Plans.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0557.

*Abstract:* The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and the Surface Transportation Board (STB), working in conjunction with each other, have issued joint final rules establishing procedures for the development and implementation of safety integration plans ("SIPs" or "plans") by a Class I railroad proposing to engage in certain specified merger, consolidation, or acquisition of control transactions with another Class I railroad, or a Class II railroad with which it proposes to amalgamate operations. The scope of the transactions covered under the two rules is the same. FRA will use the information collected, notably the required SIPs, to maintain and promote a safe rail environment by ensuring that affected railroads (Class Is and some Class IIs) address critical safety issues unique to the amalgamation of large, complex railroad operations.

*Form Number(s):* N/A.

*Affected Public:* Railroads.

*Respondent Universe:* Class I Railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Total annual burden cost
244.13—Safety Integration Plans: Amalgamation of Operations—SIP Development & Quarterly Meetings.	8 railroads .....	1 plan .....	360 hours .....	360 hours .....	22,224
244.17—Procedures —Coordination in Implementing Approved SIP. —Request For Confidential Treatment.	8 railroads .....	25 reports .....	40 hours/2 hours ...	92 hours .....	5,152
	8 railroads .....	50 phone calls .....	10 minutes .....	4 hours .....	224
244.19—Disposition —Comments on Proposed SIP Amendments.	8 railroads .....	1 request .....	8 hours .....	8 hours .....	1,224
	8 railroads .....	2 reports .....	16 hours .....	32 hours .....	1,792

*Total Responses:* 79.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 496 hours.  
*Status:* Extension 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.

Issued in Washington, DC on December 3, 2004.

**Kathy A. Weiner,**

*Director, Office of Information Technology and Support Systems, Federal Railroad Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Maritime Administration

#### Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Maritime Administration, DOT.

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The nature of the information collection is described as well as its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on September 29, 2004. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before January 10, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Christopher Krusa, Maritime Administration, 400 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-2648; FAX: 202-366-3746; or e-mail: [chris.krusa@marad.dot.gov](mailto:chris.krusa@marad.dot.gov). Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Maritime Administration (MARAD).

*Title:* Supplementary Training Course Application.

*OMB Control Number:* 2133-0030.

*Type of Request:* Extension of currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* U.S. Merchant Marine Seamen, both officers and unlicensed personnel, and other U.S. citizens employed in other areas of waterborne commerce.

*Forms:* MA-823.

*Abstract:* Section 1305(a) of the Maritime Education and Training Act of 1980 indicates that the Secretary of Transportation may provide maritime-related training to merchant mariners of the United States and to individuals preparing for a career in the merchant marine of the United States. This collection provides the information

necessary for the maritime schools to plan their course offerings and for applicants to complete their certificate requirements.

*Annual Estimated Burden Hours:* 25 hours.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention MARAD Desk Officer.

*Comments are invited on:* Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**Authority:** 49 CFR 1.66.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 7, 2004.

**Joel C. Richard,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

**[U.S. DOT Docket Number NHTSA-04-19624]**

#### Reports, Forms, and Recordkeeping Requirements

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Request for public comment on proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** Before a Federal agency can collect certain information from the public, it must receive approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Under procedures established by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before seeking OMB approval, Federal agencies must solicit public comment on proposed collections of information, including extensions and reinstatement of previously approved collections.

This document describes collection of information for which NHTSA intends to seek OMB approval.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before February 8, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments must refer to the docket notice numbers cited at the beginning of this notice and be submitted to Docket Management, Room PL-401, 400 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Please identify the proposed collection of information for which a comment is provided, by referencing its OMB clearance Number. It is requested, but not required, that 2 copies of the comment be provided. The Docket Section is open on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Complete copies of each request for collection of information may be obtained at no charge from Ronald Filbert, NHTSA 400 Seventh Street, SW., room 5125, NTI-200, Washington, DC 20590. Mr. Filbert's telephone number is (202) 366-2701. Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, before an agency submits a proposed collection of information to OMB for approval, it must first publish a document in the **Federal Register** providing a 60-day comment period and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies concerning each proposed collection of information. The OMB has promulgated regulations describing what must be included in such a document. Under OMB's regulation (at 5 CFR 1320.8(d)), an agency must ask for public comment on the following:

(i) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) 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;

(iii) How to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected;

(iv) How to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including 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.

In compliance with these requirements, NHTSA asks for public