

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Department of Homeland Security Desk Officer, 725–17th Street, NW., Room 10235, Washington, DC 20530.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate 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;

(2) 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;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) 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.

Overview of this information collection:

(1) *Type of Information Collection:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

(2) *Title of the Form/Collection:* Application for Temporary Protected Status.

(3) *Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection:* Form I–821. Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* Primary: Individuals or Households. The information provided on this collection is used by the DHS to determine whether an applicant for Temporary Protected Status (TPS) meets the eligibility requirements. Such TPS benefits include employment authorization and relief from the threat of removal or deportation from the U.S. while in such status.

(5) *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* 176,000 responses at 30 minutes (.50 hours) per response.

(6) *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* 88,000 annual burden hours.

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the proposed information collection instrument with instructions, or additional information, please contact Richard A. Sloan 202–514–3291, Director, Regulations and Forms Services Division, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services, Room 4034, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Additionally, comments and/or suggestions regarding the item(s) contained in this notice, especially regarding the estimated public burden and associated response time may also be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan.

If additional information is required contact: Mr. Steve Cooper, PRA Clearance Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Office of Chief Information Officer, Regional Office Building 3, 7th and D Streets, SW., Suite 4626–36, Washington, DC 20202.

Dated: March 23, 2004.

Richard A. Sloan,

Department Clearance Officer, Department of Homeland Security, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has submitted the following information collection to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). The submission describes the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (i.e., the time, effort and resources used by respondents to respond) and cost, and includes the actual data collection instruments FEMA will use.

Title: Approval and Coordination of Requirements to Use the National Emergency Training Center (NETC) for Extracurricular Training Activities.

OMB Number: 1660–0029.

Abstract: FEMA Form 75–10, Request for Housing Accommodations, will be used by respondents to request housing accommodations at the NETC campus. FEMA Form 75–11, Request for Use of NETC Facilities, is used by respondents to request to use NETC facilities for extracurricular training activities. Extracurricular training is training over and above regularly scheduled training sessions of the National Fire Academy and Emergency Management Institute. The policy of the NETC is to accommodate other training activities on a space-available basis at the Emmitsburg campus. In order for NETC to approve and schedule the use of its facilities, information must be provided by special group organizations. A written, e-mail or telephone request for use of NETC facilities is initially made to determine availability of the facilities. If space is available, the contact person for the special group must follow up by completing FEMA Form 75–11 to provide information on the number of participants, meals, and special requirements. The information is used to assign classrooms, schedule equipment, and arrange for food service.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government; Individuals or households; and Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 1,600.

Estimated Time per Respondent: FEMA Form 75–10—5 minutes; FEMA Form 75–11—10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 142 hours.

Frequency of Response: On occasion.

Comments: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of Homeland Security/FEMA at email address kflee@omb.eop.gov or facsimile number (202) 395–7285. Comments must be submitted on or before April 26, 2004. In addition, interested persons may also send comments to FEMA (see contact information below).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Muriel B. Anderson, Chief, Records Management Branch, FEMA at 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472, facsimile number (202) 646–3347, or e-mail address: InformationCollections@dhs.gov.

Dated: March 1, 2004.
Edward W. Kernan,
*Division Director, Information Resources
 Management Division, Information
 Technology Services Directorate.*
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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND
 SECURITY**

**Federal Emergency Management
 Agency**

**Agency Information Collection
 Activities: Proposed Collection;
 Comment Request**

AGENCY: Federal Emergency
 Management Agency, Emergency
 Preparedness and Response Directorate,
 U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice and request for
 comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency
 Management Agency, as part of its
 continuing effort to reduce paperwork
 and respondent burden, invites the
 general public and other Federal
 agencies to take this opportunity to
 comment on proposed revised
 information collections. In accordance
 with the Paperwork Reduction Act of
 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), this
 notice seeks comments on the

enhancement of an existing Web-based
 database of Mitigation Success Stories,
 which documents mitigation and flood
 insurance strategies that worked well for
 different hazards, mitigation activities
 or project types. The All-hazards
 Success Story Database promotes
 mitigation practices that encourage
 communities, individuals, and other key
 decision-makers to take action to reduce
 hazard risks.

Supplementary Information: The
 Government Performance Results Act
 (GPRA) requires agencies to set missions
 and goals, and measure performance
 against them. FEMA will partially fulfill
 these requirements by collecting and
 sharing information describing
 successful mitigation and flood
 insurance practices occurring in
 communities nationwide. The
 Mitigation Success Stories database
 addresses FEMA's strategic goal of
 reducing the loss of life and property
 due to disasters through
 communications strategies aimed at
 assisting individuals, governments, and
 communities make sound risk
 management decisions.

Collection of Information

Title: Federal Emergency Management
 Agency (FEMA) Mitigation Success
 Story Database.

Type of Information Collection:
 Existing collection in use without OMB
 approval.

OMB Number: 1660-NEW6.

Abstract: Early mitigation actions,
 which focus on the prevention of loss of
 life and less damage to buildings and
 other structures, have been
 implemented throughout the United
 States. This database serves a dual
 purpose in providing a venue for
 gaining and disseminating knowledge
 about effective and efficient mitigation
 strategies implemented in communities
 nationwide. Federal, State, local
 officials or individuals experienced in
 hazard mitigation projects, community
 planning and floodplain administration,
 and other mitigation and flood
 insurance related projects constitute
 typical respondents to this information
 collection. The database offers visitors
 of the FEMA Web site a centralized,
 user-friendly venue to search a variety
 of best practices, success stories, and
 mitigation projects. By sharing
 information, communities and
 individuals can learn about available
 Federal programs to support the
 implementation of mitigation projects
 relevant to individual conditions and
 characteristics.

Affected Public: Individuals or
 Households; Businesses or Other for-
 Profit and Not-for-Profit Organizations;
 and Federal, State, Local, or Tribal
 Governments.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden
 Hours:* 563 Hours.

ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS

Project/activity (survey, form(s), focus group, etc.)	No. of respondents (A)	Frequency of responses (B)	Burden hours per respondent (C)	Annual responses (AxB)	Total annual burden hours (AxBxC)
Mitigation Success Story Database Submissions:					
Electronic	15	1	1.5	15	23
Personal	135	1	4.0	135	540
Total	150	1	150	563

Estimated Cost: \$49,382.00

ANNUAL COST TO RESPONDENTS (BURDEN HOURS)

Program	Burden hrs	Average hr. rate (\$)	Average cost per respondent (\$)	Annualized cost all respondents (\$)
Database Submissions				
Electronic	23	22.50	34.00	782.00
Personal	540	22.50	90.00	48,600.00
Grand Total	563	49,382.00

Comments: Written 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