

surrounding community. Approval does not constitute a commitment by the FAA to financially assist in the disposal of the subject airport property nor a determination of eligibility for grant-in-aid funding from the FAA. The disposition of proceeds from the lease of the airport property will be in accordance with FAA's Policy and Procedures Concerning the Use of Airport Revenue, published in the **Federal Register** on February 16, 1999.

In accordance with section 47107(h) of title 49, United States Code. This notice is required to be published in the **Federal Register** 30 days before modifying the land-use assurance that requires the property to be used for an aeronautical purpose.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before September 6, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Gregory N. Sweeny, Airports Engineer, Chicago Airports District Office, 2300 East Devon Avenue, Des Plaines, Illinois 60018. Telephone Number (847) 294-7526/FAX Number (847) 294-7046. Documents reflecting this FAA action may be reviewed at this same location or at LaPorte Municipal Airport, LaPorte, Indiana.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Following is a legal description of the property located in the city of LaPorte, LaPorte County, Indiana, and described as follows: A parcel of land situated in the Northwest Quarter of Section 14, Township 36 North, Range 3 West, Scipio Township, LaPorte County, Indiana, being more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a cast iron monument marking the Center of Section 14, Township 36 North, Range 3 West, Scipio Township, LaPorte County, Indiana, for the point of beginning; Thence: S 87°56'32" W, along the South line of the Northwest Quarter of said Section 14, a distance of 569.93', for the point of beginning; Thence: S 87°56'32" W, continuing along said South line, a distance of 310'; Thence N 02°03'29" W, a distance of 287.81'; Thence N 87°56'32" E, a distance of 247.51'; Thence: S45°14'26" E, a distance of 91.31'; Thence: S 02°03'26" E, a distance of 221.22' to the point of beginning. Containing 2.000 acres, subject to all legal easements.

Issued in Des Plaines, Illinois on July 20, 2005.

**Larry H. Ladendorf,**

*Acting Manager, Chicago Airports District Office, FAA, Great Lakes Region.*

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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 October 3, 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 Mr. Victor Angelo, Office of Support Systems, 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-New." 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 Mr. Angelo at [victor.angelo@fra.dot.gov](mailto:victor.angelo@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 Victor Angelo, Office of Support Systems, RAD-20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1120 Vermont Ave., NW., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6470).

(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 proposed new information collection activities that FRA will submit for clearance by OMB as required under the PRA:

*Title:* Work Schedules and Sleep Patterns of Railroad Dispatchers.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-New.

*Abstract:* In a continuing effort to improve rail safety and to reduce the number of injuries and fatalities to rail workers, FRA and the railroad industry have focused on the issue of fatigue, primarily among train and engine crew personnel. Because railroading is an

around-the-clock, seven-days-a-week operation and because a wide array of workers are needed both to operate and to maintain the nation's railroads, other crafts—besides train and engine crews—can also be subject to fatigue. The non-operating crafts, including track maintenance, signal system maintenance and telecommunications and railroad dispatchers, fall into this second category. FRA is proposing a study which will focus on railroad dispatchers, one of the non-operating railroad crafts. FRA seeks to develop an understanding of the work schedule-related fatigue issues that affect railroad dispatchers. The proposed study has two primary purposes: (1) It aims to

document and characterize the work/rest schedules and sleep patterns of the railroad dispatchers; and (2) It intends to examine the relationship between these schedules and level of alertness/fatigue for the individuals who work these schedules. The intent is to report results in the aggregate, not by individual or railroad. Subjective ratings from participants of their alertness/sleepiness on both work and non-work days will be an integral part of this study. The data will be collected through the use of a daily diary or log completed by participants over a continuous two-week time period, as well as through a brief background questionnaire completed by each

participant. Analysis of the diary data will allow FRA to assess whether or not there are any work-related fatigue issues for railroad dispatchers. The proposed study will provide a defensible and definitive estimate of the work/rest cycle parameters and fatigue in dispatchers that will inform possible future FRA regulatory policy and action.

*Form Number(s):* FRA F 6180.122; FRA F 6180.123.

*Affected Public:* Railroad Workers.  
*Respondent Universe:* 332 Railroad Dispatchers.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Reporting Burden:*

| Form number                         | Respondent universe   | Total annual responses  | Average time per response (minutes) | Total annual burden hours | Total annual burden cost |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Form FRA F 6180.122—Surveys .....   | 332 Dispatchers ..... | 332 surveys .....       | 15                                  | 83                        | \$2,905                  |
| Form FRA F 6180.123—Daily Log ..... | 332 Dispatchers ..... | 4,648 Log Entries ..... | 10                                  | 775                       | \$27,125                 |

*Estimated Annual Burden:* 858 hours.  
*Status:* Regular review.

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.

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**D.J. Stadler,**

Director, Office of Budget, Federal Railroad Administration.

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Maritime Administration**

[Docket No. MARAD 2005 21997]

**Information Collection Available for Public Comments and Recommendations**

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Maritime Administration's (MARAD's) intention to request extension of approval for three years of a currently approved information collection.

**DATES:** Comments should be submitted on or before October 3, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Otto Strassburg, Maritime Administration,

400 Seventh Street Southwest, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202–366–4161; FAX: 202–366–7901; or E-MAIL: [joe.strassburg@dot.gov](mailto:joe.strassburg@dot.gov). Copies of this collection also can be obtained from that office.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* Seamen's Claims; Administrative Action and Litigation.

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

*OMB Control Number:* 2133–0522.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* Three years from date of approval by the Office of Management and Budget.

*Summary of Collection of Information:* The information is submitted by claimants seeking payments for injuries or illnesses they sustained while serving as masters or members of a crew on board a vessel owned or operated by the United States. MARAD reviews the information and makes a determination regarding agency liability and payments.

*Need and Use of the Information:* The information will be evaluated by MARAD officials to determine if the claim is fair and reasonable. If the claim is allowed and settled, payment is made to the claimant.

*Description of Respondents:* Officers or members of a crew who suffered death, injury, or illness while employed on vessels owned or operated by the United States. Also included in this description of respondents are surviving dependents, beneficiaries, and/or legal representatives of the officers or crew members.

*Annual Responses:* 60 responses.

*Annual Burden:* 750 hours.

*Comments:* Comments should refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document. Written comments may be submitted to the Docket Clerk, U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL–401, 400 Seventh Street Southwest, Washington, DC 20590. Comments also may be submitted by electronic means via the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov/submit>. Specifically address whether this information collection is necessary for proper performance of the functions of the agency and will have practical utility, accuracy of the burden estimates, ways to minimize this burden, and ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected. All comments received will be available for examination at the above address between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. EDT (or EST), Monday through Friday, except Federal Holidays. An electronic version of this document is available on the World Wide Web at <http://dms.dot.gov>.

*Privacy Act:* Anyone is able to search the electronic form of all comments received into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (Volume 65, Number 70; Pages 19477–78) or you may visit <http://dms.dot.gov>.

(Authority: 49 CFR 1.66.)

Dated: July 27, 2005.