

27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, *et seq.*; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, *et seq.*), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, Delegation of Authority No. 236 of October 19, 1999, as amended, and Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003 [68 FR 19875], I hereby determine that the objects in the exhibition: "The Art of Power: Royal Armor and Portraits from Imperial Spain," imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at the National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC, from on or about June 28, 2009, until on or about November 1, 2009 and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. Public Notice of these Determinations is ordered to be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Julie Simpson, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (*telephone:* (202-453-8050)). The address is U.S. Department of State, SA-44, 301 4th Street, SW., Room 700, Washington, DC 20547-0001.

Dated: May 13, 2009.

C. Miller Crouch,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Aviation Proceedings, Agreements Filed the Week Ending May 9, 2009

The following Agreements were filed with the Department of Transportation under Sections 412 and 414 of the Federal Aviation Act, as amended (49 U.S.C. 1382 and 1384) and procedures governing proceedings to enforce these provisions. Answers may be filed within 21 days after the filing of the application.

Docket Number: DOT-OST-2009-0104.

Date Filed: May 4, 2009.

Parties: Members of the International Air Transport Association.

Subject: PTC COMP Mail Vote 600, Resolution 024a, Establishing Passenger

Fares and Related Charges (Memo 1525), Intended effective date: 1 June 2009.

Renee V. Wright,

Program Manager, Docket Operations, Federal Register Liaison.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2009-0053]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments for New Information Collection; Truck Congestion Information Assessment

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for a new information collection, which is summarized below under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on February 26, 2009. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by June 19, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number FHWA-2009-0053 by any of the following methods:

Web Site: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <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: David Jones, 202-366-5053, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, Office of Highway Policy Information, 1200 New Jersey

Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Truck Congestion Information Assessment.

Background: The Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) ability to assess congestion is critical for our national leadership role. Highway traffic congestion causes an estimated 3.5 billion hours of delays per year in 75 of the largest metropolitan areas. The volume of freight, the mix of goods, and the way they are moved has changed dramatically and highway system improvements have not kept pace with the growth and demand for freight transportation, resulting in congestion on our Nation's highways and straining other freight modes as well.

The purpose of this research is to collect highway congestion information to assess highway system performance and validate findings of the report on bottlenecks produced from Speed, Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) and Freight Analysis Framework (FAF) data.

The selected service provider will establish, promote, collect and analyze data from a developed system to provide easy access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week allowing the roadway user a convenient way to report areas of heavy congestion and bottleneck conditions at any point in time encountered nationally on the highway system. Roadside users can report information by using an automated phone system or the Internet. The information from the user will be date, time, state, and highway route number, direction of travel, mile marker and weather condition. The reporting from the roadside user is voluntary.

Respondents: Approximately 1200 Interstate roadway users daily, with the majority being truck drivers.

Frequency: Every day for 3 years.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: Each response will be approximately 1 minute.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: Approximately 4,380 hours in the first year, 7,665 the second year, and 9,855 the third year. Totaling 21,900 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.

Issued On: May 14, 2009.

James R. Kabel,

Chief, Management Programs and Analysis Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[U.S. DOT Docket No. FHWA-2009-0054]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments for a New Information Collection, Titled: Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for a new information collection, which is summarized below under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. We published a **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on February 26, 2009. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by June 19, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by Docket ID Number FHWA-2009-0054 by any of the following methods:

Web Site: 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: Thomas Granda, PhD, Team Leader, Human Centered Systems, Office of Safety Research and Development, HRDS-07, Turner-Fairbank Highway Research Center, Federal Highway Administration, 6300 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA 22101, tel. 202-493-3365 between 8 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays, or Paul J. Tremont, PhD (same address) at 202-493-3338.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements.

The FHWA invites public comments on our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve a total of 30 field and laboratory research studies that will include collections of information from the general public. These studies will be conducted over a period not to exceed 3 years with an annual burden of approximately 1000 hours and a grand total burden of approximately 3000 hours. These collections are integral to the performance of various analytical, field, and laboratory human factors research projects that FHWA intends to conduct in support of its mission of improving safety and increasing mobility on our Nation's highways through National Leadership, Innovation, and Program Delivery.

The field and laboratory research FHWA conducts usually involves observations of driver behavior. In the field, these studies are often completely non-intrusive. However, some field research studies require that interview data be collected from individuals in the field. For example, if drivers are participating in a research study on a novel intersection, interview data might be acquired from a subset of drivers to determine what they observed while driving or how they made their decisions. In these cases the interview will be brief (10-15 minutes). The same procedure may be used with laboratory studies.

The vast majority of laboratory and field studies that FHWA conducts acquire data on human performance in controlled experimental settings. For example, FHWA may be interested in drivers' reactions to the visibility of signs of differing reflectivity.

Research Areas and Associated Collections

The FHWA Office of Safety Research and Development intends to conduct

analytical, field, and laboratory research projects focused on highway safety that will require acquisition of data from small samples of the general public. This research is directed at human factors issues within the following broad program areas: (A) infrastructure design including innovative intersection configurations and signage and roadway markings; (B) highway operations; (C) intelligent transportation systems, including traffic management centers; (D) driver-vehicle and infrastructure-vehicle interfaces; (E) older and younger driver programs; and (F) pedestrian and bicyclist concerns. Given that the focus of the research in the above areas is on human factors issues, it will require that data be collected on a few key demographic variables such as age, gender, and driving experience. The data collected will not be linked to personal identifying information. Before any study is conducted under this approval request, a thorough review will be undertaken to ensure such data is not currently available, and that the proposed study does not duplicate other work.

Situations that Require Collections of Information—Examples from Each Category

Category A Infrastructure Design. An example from Category A would be a study designed to test an innovative intersection design such as a Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI). This is a highly efficient intersection design, but if not properly implemented, it could potentially cause confusion. In a DDI, drivers cross over to the left side of the highway, with the result that opposing traffic is placed on their right side. When testing a DDI, FHWA will need to know whether drivers perceived any ambiguity in the signage, if they had any orientation problems seeing opposing traffic on their right, and if they have any suggestions for improving the overall ease with which such an intersection could be driven. Other innovative intersection designs would also benefit from similar information acquired from drivers. Roadway departure is another problem area that could benefit from individual driver data. For example, it would be helpful to know how drivers perceive their interaction with the infrastructure led to or prevented roadway design.

Category B Highway Operations. One of the many challenges confronting highway engineers is designing a signal system that maximizes throughput and minimizes delay. Excess delay can have the unintended consequence of encouraging drivers to run red lights. This problem can be examined by