

contributions to transportation in the Post World War II era. The illustrated history will be published as a brochure and/or posted on the Internet, and shall be completed and available to the public prior to December 31, 2013.

(C) The FHWA will encourage State transportation agencies that have not done so within the last 5 years to update inventories of historic bridges in their States to better ensure that bridges meeting the considerations in Section IV above are identified and considered early in the Section 106 review process.

## VII. Definitions

If not specifically addressed below, terms used within this Program Comment shall be defined consistent with the definitions provided in 36 CFR Part 800.

“Common Bridge” is, for purposes of this Program Comment, a common post-1945 bridge or culvert of a type identified in Section V.

“Program Comment” is an alternative to Section 106 review that allows a Federal agency to request the ACHP to comment on a category of undertakings in lieu of conducting individual reviews under Sections 800.4 through 800.6 of the regulations (36 CFR Part 800).

“Qualified cultural resource specialist” means an individual meeting the Secretary of the Interior’s professional qualifications for historian or architectural historian by virtue of education and experience to carry out historic preservation work.

**Authority:** 36 CFR 800.14(e).

Dated: November 8, 2012.

**John M. Fowler,**  
Executive Director.

[FR Doc. 2012–27866 Filed 11–15–12; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 4310–K6–P**

## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. DHS–2012–0046]

### Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII) Office Self-Assessment Questionnaire

**AGENCY:** National Protection and Programs Directorate, DHS.

**ACTION:** 60-day notice and request for comments; New Information Collection Request: 1670—NEW.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD), Office of Infrastructure Protection (IP), Infrastructure Information Collection Division (IICD), Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII) Program will submit the following Information Collection Request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until January 15, 2013. This process is conducted in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.10.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments and questions about this Information Collection Request should be forwarded to DHS/NPPD/IP/IICD, 245 Murray Lane, SW., Mail Stop 0602, Arlington, VA 20598–0602. Emailed requests should go to Joseph Maltby, [joseph.maltby@dhs.gov](mailto:joseph.maltby@dhs.gov). Written comments should reach the contact person listed no later than January 15, 2013. Comments must be identified by “DHS–2012–0046” and may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.
- Email: Include the docket number in the subject line of the message.

**Instructions:** All submissions received must include the words “Department of Homeland Security” and the docket number for this action. Comments received will be posted without alteration at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Congress created the PCII Program under the Critical Infrastructure Information Act of 2002 for DHS to encourage voluntary information sharing by owners and operators of critical infrastructure and protected systems. IICD administers the PCII Program. The PCII Program is implemented by 6 CFR part 29, Procedures for Handling Critical Infrastructure Information; Final Rule (the Regulation), issued in 2006. PCII refers to critical infrastructure information not customarily in the public domain and related to the security of critical infrastructure or protected systems, which is voluntarily submitted to DHS for homeland security purposes and validated under the authority of the PCII Program Manager. The PCII Program provides a statutory exemption from release of information under the Freedom of Information Act and state and local sunshine laws, and prohibits the use of the information in civil litigation.

The PCII Program is responsible for ensuring compliance with the regulation’s uniform procedures for the handling, use, dissemination, and safeguarding of PCII. In this capacity, the PCII Program oversees a community of stakeholders, including submitters of critical infrastructure information, authorized users of PCII and accredited Federal, state and local entities with

homeland security duties. The PCII Program is required by its authorizing regulation to assist the PCII Officers in overseeing their own accredited PCII programs at the state and local level. See 6 CFR 29.4(d). This questionnaire is designed to gather information from PCII Officers that will be used by the NPPD/IP PCII Program to assess state and local programs, their compliance with PCII rules and requirements, and the specific needs of their accredited programs. These assessments are designed to help the DHS PCII Program and Officers to ensure that PCII is being properly protected and to limit the potential for mishandling and improper disclosures. OMB is particularly interested in comments that:

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 submissions of responses.

### Analysis

**Agency:** Department of Homeland Security, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Office of Infrastructure Protection, Infrastructure Information Collection Division, Protected Critical Infrastructure Information Program.

**Title:** Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (PCII) Office Self-Assessment Questionnaire.

**OMB Number:** 1670–NEW.

**Frequency:** Annually.

**Affected Public:** PCII Officers.

**Number of Respondents:** 80 (estimate).

**Estimated Time per Respondent:** 1 hour.

**Total Burden Hours:** 80 annual burden hours.

**Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):** \$0.

**Total Recordkeeping Burden:** \$0 (This assessment will reside on existing PCII information storage systems).

**Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining):** \$8,316.

Dated: November 8, 2012.

**Scott Libby,**

*Acting Chief Information Officer, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.*

[FR Doc. 2012-27966 Filed 11-15-12; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 9110-9P-P**

## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-3350-EM; Docket ID FEMA-2011-0001]

#### Massachusetts; Emergency and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an emergency for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (FEMA-3350-EM), dated October 28, 2012, and related determinations.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* October 28, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peggy Miller, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3886.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated October 28, 2012, the President issued an emergency declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the emergency conditions in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts resulting from Hurricane Sandy beginning on October 27, 2012, and continuing, are of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* ("the Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such an emergency exists in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

You are authorized to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, you are authorized to provide assistance for emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to

75 percent of the total eligible costs. In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal emergency assistance and administrative expenses.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Justo Hernández, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared emergency.

The following areas of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts have been designated as adversely affected by this declared emergency:

All counties in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.

The following Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers (CFDA) are to be used for reporting and drawing funds: 97.030, Community Disaster Loans; 97.031, Cora Brown Fund; 97.032, Crisis Counseling; 97.033, Disaster Legal Services; 97.034, Disaster Unemployment Assistance (DUA); 97.046, Fire Management Assistance Grant; 97.048, Disaster Housing Assistance to Individuals and Households In Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas; 97.049, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance—Disaster Housing Operations for Individuals and Households; 97.050, Presidentially Declared Disaster Assistance to Individuals and Households—Other Needs; 97.036, Disaster Grants—Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters); 97.039, Hazard Mitigation Grant.

**W. Craig Fugate,**

*Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.*

[FR Doc. 2012-27883 Filed 11-15-12; 8:45 am]

**BILLING CODE 9111-23-P**

## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Internal Agency Docket No. FEMA-3360-EM; Docket ID FEMA-2011-0001]

#### New Hampshire; Emergency and Related Determinations

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This is a notice of the Presidential declaration of an

emergency for the State of New Hampshire (FEMA-3360-EM), dated October 30, 2012, and related determinations.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* October 30, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peggy Miller, Office of Response and Recovery, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646-3886.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that, in a letter dated October 30, 2012, the President issued an emergency declaration under the authority of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the Stafford Act), as follows:

I have determined that the emergency conditions in the State of New Hampshire resulting from Hurricane Sandy beginning on October 26, 2012, and continuing, are of sufficient severity and magnitude to warrant an emergency declaration under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.* ("the Stafford Act"). Therefore, I declare that such an emergency exists in the State of New Hampshire.

You are authorized to provide appropriate assistance for required emergency measures, authorized under Title V of the Stafford Act, to save lives and to protect property and public health and safety, and to lessen or avert the threat of a catastrophe in the designated areas. Specifically, you are authorized to provide assistance for emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct Federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.

Consistent with the requirement that Federal assistance is supplemental, any Federal funds provided under the Stafford Act for Public Assistance will be limited to 75 percent of the total eligible costs. In order to provide Federal assistance, you are hereby authorized to allocate from funds available for these purposes such amounts as you find necessary for Federal emergency assistance and administrative expenses.

Further, you are authorized to make changes to this declaration for the approved assistance to the extent allowable under the Stafford Act.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) hereby gives notice that pursuant to the authority vested in the Administrator, Department of Homeland Security, under Executive Order 12148, as amended, Kevin L. Hanes, of FEMA is appointed to act as the Federal Coordinating Officer for this declared emergency.

The following areas of the State of New Hampshire have been designated as adversely affected by this declared emergency:

All counties in the State of New Hampshire for emergency protective measures (Category B), limited to direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.