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- *Email: PPTFormsOfficer@state.gov.*

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and the OMB control number in any correspondence.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to PPT Forms Officer, U.S. Department of State, CA/PPT/S/L, 44132 Mercure Cir., P.O. Box 1227, Sterling, VA 20166-1227, or at [PPTFormsOfficer@state.gov](mailto:PPTFormsOfficer@state.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

- *Title of Information Collection:* U.S. Passport Renewal Application for Eligible Individuals.

- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0020.

- *Type of Request:* Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.

- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Consular Affairs, Passport Services, Office of Legal Affairs and Law Enforcement Liaison (CA/PPT/S/L).

- *Form Number:* DS-82.

- *Respondents:* Individuals applying for a U.S. passport.

- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 7,261,667.

- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 7,261,667.

- *Average Time per Response:* 40 Minutes.

- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 4,841,111 hours.

- *Frequency:* On occasion.

- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.

- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

**Abstract of Proposed Collection**

The information collected on the DS-82 is used to facilitate the issuance of passports to U.S. citizens and nationals. The primary purpose of soliciting the information is to establish citizenship, identity, and entitlement to the issuance of the U.S. passport or related service, and to properly administer and enforce the laws pertaining to the issuance thereof.

The DS-82 solicits data necessary for Passport Services to issue a United States passport (book and/or card format) in the exercise of authorities granted to the Secretary of State in 22 United States Code (U.S.C.) section 211a *et seq.* and Executive Order (EO) 11295 (August 5, 1966) for the issuance of passports to U.S. nationals.

The issuance of U.S. passports requires the determination of identity, nationality, and entitlement, with reference to the provisions of title III of the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA) (8 U.S.C. 1401-1504), the 14th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, other applicable treaties and laws and implementing regulations at 22 CFR part 50 and 51. The specific regulations pertaining to the Application for a U.S. Passport by Mail are at 22 CFR 51.20 and 51.21

**Methodology**

Passport Services collects information from U.S. citizens and non-citizen nationals who complete and submit the U.S. Passport Renewal Application. Passport applicants can either download the DS-82 from the internet or obtain one from an Acceptance Facility/Passport Agency. The form must be completed, signed, and submitted along with the applicant's previous U.S. passport.

U.S. citizens overseas may download the DS-82 from the Internet or obtain one from the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate, along with the procedures to be followed when applying overseas.

**Additional Information**

The Privacy Act statement has been amended to clarify that an applicant's failure to provide his or her Social Security number may result in the denial of an application, consistent with section 32101 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (Pub. L. 114-94), which authorizes the Department to deny U.S. passport applications when the applicant failed to include his or her Social Security number. It also makes clear that failure to include one's Social Security number may also subject the applicant to a penalty enforced by the International

Revenue Service. These requirements and the underlying legal authorities are further described on page 3 of the instructions titled "Federal Tax Law" which has also been amended to include a reference to Public Law 114-94.

Dated: May 9, 2016.

**Brenda S. Sprague,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**Agency Information Collection**

**Activities: Requests for Comments; Clearance of Renewed Approval of Information Collection: Application for Employment With the Federal Aviation Administration; Withdrawal**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

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

**SUMMARY:** This action withdraws the Notice to collect information to process and report Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) airborne and ground based observations by the public of drone behavior that they consider suspicious or illegal. The document contained errors, and needs further clarification.

**DATES:** May 17, 2016.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ronda Thompson, Room 441, Federal Aviation Administration, ASP-110, 950 L'Enfant Plaza SW., Washington, DC 20024, by phone at (202) 267-1416, or by email at [Ronda.Thompson@faa.gov](mailto:Ronda.Thompson@faa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The FAA published in the **Federal Register** of May 10, 2016 (81 FR 28930) a Notice and request for comments on the FAA's intention to request Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for a new information collection to process and report UAS airborne and ground based observations by the public of drone behavior that they consider suspicious or illegal. The Notice and request for comments contained errors; therefore the Notice and request for comments is being withdrawn.

**The Withdrawal**

In consideration of the foregoing, the Notice and request for comments as published in the **Federal Register** of May 10, 2016 (81 FR 28930) FR Doc. 2016-10976, is hereby withdrawn.

Issued in Washington, DC, on May 12, 2016.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Buy America Waiver Notification

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice provides information regarding FHWA's finding that a Buy America waiver is appropriate for the obligation of Federal-aid funds for 34 State projects involving the acquisition of vehicles and equipment on the condition that they be assembled in the U.S.

**DATES:** The effective date of the waiver is May 18, 2016.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about this notice, please contact Mr. Gerald Yakowenko, FHWA Office of Program Administration, telephone 202-366-1562, or via email at [gerald.yakowenko@dot.gov](mailto:gerald.yakowenko@dot.gov). For legal questions, please contact Ms. Jennifer Mayo, FHWA Office of the Chief Counsel, 202-366-1523, or via email at [jennifer.mayo@dot.gov](mailto:jennifer.mayo@dot.gov). Office hours for the FHWA are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., e.t., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Electronic Access

An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded from the **Federal Register's** Web site at <http://www.archives.gov> and the Government Printing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

##### Background

This notice provides information regarding FHWA's finding that a Buy America waiver is appropriate for the obligation of Federal-aid funds for 34 State projects involving the acquisition of vehicles (including sedans, vans, pickups, trucks, buses, and street sweepers) and equipment (such as trail grooming equipment) on the condition that they be assembled in the U.S. The waiver would apply to approximately 2,528 vehicles and equipment acquisitions. The requests for the fourth quarter of calendar year 2015, available at <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/>

[cmaq160317.cfm](#), are incorporated by reference into this notice. These projects are being undertaken to implement air quality improvement, safety, and mobility goals under FHWA's Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program and the Recreational Trails Program.

Title 23, section 635.410, Code of Federal Regulations (23 CFR 635.410) requires that steel or iron materials (including protective coatings) that will be permanently incorporated in a Federal-aid project must be manufactured in the U.S. For FHWA, this means that all the processes that modified the chemical content, physical shape or size, or final finish of the material (from initial melting and mixing, continuing through the bending and coating) occurred in the U.S. The statute and regulations create a process for granting waivers from the Buy America requirements when its application would be inconsistent with the public interest or when satisfactory quality domestic steel and iron products are not sufficiently available.

In 1983, FHWA determined that it was both in the public interest and consistent with the legislative intent to waive Buy America for manufactured products other than steel manufactured products. However, FHWA's national waiver for manufactured products does not apply to the requests in this notice because they involve predominately steel and iron manufactured products. The FHWA's Buy America requirements do not have special provisions for applying Buy America to "rolling stock" such as vehicles or vehicle components (see 49 U.S.C. 5323(j)(2)(C), 49 CFR 661.11, and 49 U.S.C. 24405(a)(2)(C) for examples of Buy America rolling stock provisions for other DOT agencies).

Based on all the information available to the agency, FHWA concludes that there are no domestic manufacturers that produce the vehicles and vehicle components identified in this notice in such a way that their steel and iron elements are manufactured domestically. The FHWA's Buy America requirements were tailored to the types of products that are typically used in highway construction, which generally meet the requirement that steel and iron materials be manufactured domestically. In today's global industry, vehicles are assembled with iron and steel components that are manufactured all over the world. The FHWA is not aware of any domestically produced vehicle on the market that meets FHWA's Buy America requirement to have all its iron and steel be manufactured exclusively in the U.S. For example, the Chevrolet Volt, which was identified by many

commenters in a November 21, 2011, **Federal Register** Notice (76 FR 72027) as a car that is made in the U.S., is comprised of only 45 percent of U.S. and Canadian content according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's part 583 American Automobile Labeling Act Report Web page ([http://www.nhtsa.gov/Laws+&+Regulations/Part+583+American+Automobile+Labeling+Act+\(AALA\)+Reports](http://www.nhtsa.gov/Laws+&+Regulations/Part+583+American+Automobile+Labeling+Act+(AALA)+Reports)). Moreover, there is no indication of how much of this 45 percent content is U.S. manufactured (from initial melting and mixing) iron and steel content.

In accordance with Division K, section 122 of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act of 2015 (Pub. L. 113-235), FHWA published a notice of intent to issue a waiver on its Web site at <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/construction/contracts/waivers.cfm?id=119> on March 17th. The FHWA received 11 comments in response to the publication. Three commenters support granting the waiver and stated that "the vehicles represent an ideal way for domestic clean fuel to be used and help air quality, economic security, and the regions." Five commenters opposed granting the waiver and three commenters provided general comments suggesting that: (1) Buy America is supposed to bring manufacturing jobs back home; (2) the list is very expansive and appeared to be a list of products that are based on preference but could not be purchased domestically; and (3) some of the Recreational Trail items are specialized items available off the shelf. These commenters did not provide a recommendation for domestic products that fully comply with FHWA's Buy America requirements.

Based on FHWA's conclusion that there are no domestic manufacturers that can produce the vehicles and equipment identified in this notice in such a way that steel and iron materials are manufactured domestically, and after consideration of the comments received, FHWA finds that application of FHWA's Buy America requirements to these products is inconsistent with the public interest (23 U.S.C. 313(b)(1) and 23 CFR 635.410(c)(2)(i)).

However, FHWA believes that it is in the public interest and consistent with the Buy America requirements to impose the condition that the vehicles and the vehicle components be assembled in the U.S. Requiring final assembly to be performed in the U.S. is consistent with past guidance to FHWA Division Offices on manufactured products (see Memorandum on Buy America Policy Response, December 22,