Estimated Time per Response: 30 minutes.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 46,114 hours.
Estimated Total Annual Cost: $3.0M.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NASA, including whether the information collection has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of NASA’s estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection. They will also become a matter of public record.

Frances Teel,
NASA PRA Clearance Officer.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Arts.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the NEA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection on arts participation in the U.S.: Clearance Request for NEA 2018–2019 Annual Arts Basic Survey. Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by visiting www.RegInfo.gov.

DATES: Comments should be sent by July 3, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments concerning this Notice to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the National Endowment for the Arts, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, 202/395–7316.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is particularly interested in comments which:
• 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;
• 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;
• Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
• 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.

Agency: National Endowment for the Arts.
Title: 2018–2019 Annual Arts Basic Survey.
OMB Number: New.
Frequency: Annually, in years the Survey of Public Participation in the Arts is not conducted.
Affected Public: American adults.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 36,000.
Estimated time per respondent: 4.0 minutes.
Total burden hours: 2,000 hours.
Total annualized capital/startup costs: 0.
Total annual costs (operating/maintaining systems or purchasing services): 0.
Description: This request is for clearance of the 2018 and 2019 Annual Arts Basic Surveys (AABS). These surveys will be conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau as a supplement to the Bureau of Labor Statistic’s Current Population Survey. The AABS will be conducted in February 2018 and February 2019 and are expected to be conducted annually thereafter in years that the National Endowment for the Arts’ (NEA) Survey of Public Participation in the Arts (SPPA) is not conducted. One of the strengths of the AABS surveys is that they will both complement and supplement the information collected in the SPPA. The SPPA is the field’s premiere repeated cross-sectional survey of individual attendance and involvement in arts and cultural activity, and is conducted approximately every five years. The AABS questionnaires are much shorter than the SPPA, consisting of 12 to 14 questions that will be used to track arts participation over time. As with the SPPA, the AABS data will be circulated to interested researchers and will be the basis for a range of NEA reports and independent research publications. Reports on these data will be made publicly available on the NEA’s Web site. The AABS will provide annual primary knowledge on the extent and nature of participation in the arts in the United States. These data will also be used by the NEA as a contextual measure for one of the strategic goals identified in its FY 2014–FY 2018 strategic plan.

Kathy Daum,
Director, Administrative Services, National Endowment for the Arts.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request for Review of a Revised Information Collection: Multi-State Plan Program External Review Case Intake Form, OPM Form 1840

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request for review of a revision of a currently approved collection, the Multi-State Plan Program External Review Intake Form, OPM Form 1840. This approval is necessary to improve the collection of information from members of the Multi-State Plan Program who need to request the external review of a disputed adverse benefit decision.

DATES: Comments will be accepted until July 3, 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send or deliver comments to: Donna Lease Batdorf, Multi-State Plan Program, National Healthcare Operations, Healthcare and Insurance, Office of Personnel Management, 1900 E Street NW., Room 3468, Washington, DC 20415; and Charlie Cutshaw, OPM
RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD


AGENCY: U.S. Railroad Retirement Board (RRB).

ACTION: Notice of a removal of an existing computer matching program that expired on January 1, 2016.

SUMMARY: As required by the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended, the RRB is issuing a public notice in the Federal Register of its intent to renew an ongoing computer matching program. In this match, we provide certain Medicare and benefit rate information to state agencies allowing them to review and if necessary, adjust amounts of benefits in their public assistance programs as well as to coordinate Medicare/Medicaid payments for public assistance recipients.

The purpose of this notice is to advise individuals receiving benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act that the RRB plans to share this computer matching data with state agencies.

DATES: Submit comments on or before July 12, 2017, at which time matching activities may continue. Agreements with the individual states will run for a maximum length of 18 months with a provision for an automatic, one-time 12 month renewal, for a maximum length of 30 months (5 U.S.C. 552a(o)(2)(D). In order to qualify for the renewal, both parties must certify to the RRB Data Integrity Board, three months prior to the expiration of the agreement that:

1. The program will continue to be conducted without change, and
2. Each party certifies to the board in writing that the program has been conducted in compliance with the agreement.

The number of matches conducted with each state during the period of the match will vary from state to state, but typically are 2 to 4 matches per calendar year.

ADDRESSES: Address any comments concerning this notice to Ms. Martha P. Rico, Secretary to the Board, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street Chicago, Illinois 60611–2092.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Timothy S. Grant, Chief Privacy Officer, Railroad Retirement Board, 844 North Rush Street Chicago, Illinois 60611–2092. tim.grant@rrb.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. General

The Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, regulates Federal agencies when they conduct computer matching activities in a system of records with other Federal, State, or local government records. It requires Federal agencies involved in computer matching programs to:

1. Negotiate written agreements with the other agency or agencies participating in the matching programs;
2. Obtain approval of the matching agreement by the Data Integrity Boards of the participating Federal agencies;
3. Publish notice of the computer matching program in the Federal Register;
4. Furnish reports about matching programs to Congress and Office of Management and Budget;
5. Notify beneficiaries and applicants that their records are subject to matching; and
6. Verify match findings before reducing, suspending, terminating, or denying a person’s benefits or payments.

B. RRB Computer Matches Subject to the Privacy Act

We have taken action to ensure that our computer matching programs comply with the requirements of the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended.

C. Notice of Computer Matching Program: RRB with State Medicare Agencies (Renewal):

Name of Participating Agencies: The Railroad Retirement Board and state public aid/public assistance agencies.

Authority for Conducting the Match:

Purpose of the Match: The match has several purposes allowing state agencies to:

1. Accurately identify qualified Railroad Retirement Beneficiaries;
2. Make necessary adjustments required under state law in public aid payments due to cost of living or other adjustments in RRB annuities;
3. Coordinate benefits of dually eligible Medicare and Medicaid beneficiaries; and
4. To identify individuals who are eligible for Part B Medicare and not enrolled in order to enroll such individuals in the State Buy-In program.

Categories of Individuals: All beneficiaries under the Railroad Retirement Act who have been identified by a state as a recipient of public aid will have information about their RRB benefits and Medicare enrollment furnished to the requesting state agency.

Categories of Records: The state agency will provide the RRB with a file of records. The data elements in the