

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Bureau of Justice Assistance, 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;
- Evaluate whether, and if so how, the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected can be enhanced; and/or
- 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 submission of responses.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

2. *The Title of the Form/Collection:* National Standards to Prevent, Detect, and Respond to Prison Rape (28 CFR part 115).

3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* There is no form number associated with this information collection. The applicable component within the Department of Justice is the Bureau of Justice Assistance, in the Office of Justice Programs.

4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* On June 20, 2012, the Department of Justice published a Final Rule to adopt national standards to prevent, detect, and respond to sexual abuse in confinement settings pursuant to the Prison Rape Elimination Act of 2003 (PREA) 42 U.S.C. 15601 *et seq.* These national standards, which went into effect on August 20, 2012, require covered facilities to retain certain specified information relating to sexual abuse prevention planning, responsive planning, education and training, investigations and to collect and retain certain specified information relating to allegations of sexual abuse within the facility. Covered facilities include: Federal, state, and local jails, prisons, lockups, community correction facilities, and juvenile facilities, whether administered by such government or by a private organization on behalf of such government. As the agency responsible for PREA

implementation on behalf of the U.S. Department of Justice, the Bureau of Justice Assistance within the Office of Justice Programs is submitting this request to extend a currently approved collection.

5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* The recordkeeping and reporting requirements established by the PREA standards are based on incidents of sexual abuse. An estimated 13,119 covered facilities nationwide are required to comply with the PREA standards. If all covered facilities were to fully comply with all of the PREA standards, the new burden hours associated with the staff time that would be required to collect and maintain the information and records required by the standards would be approximately 1.16 million in the first year of full compliance, or about 89 hours per facility.

6. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* The estimated public burden hours associated with this collection is 1.16 million in the first year of full compliance, or about 89 hours per facility.

If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, 3E.405A, Washington, DC 20530.

Dated: December 19, 2018.

**Melody Braswell,**

*Department Clearance Officer for PRA, U.S. Department of Justice.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed eCollection eComments Requested; Extension Without Change, of a Previously Approved Collection: Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor (Public Law 107-12)

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Justice Assistance, Department of Justice.

**ACTION:** 60-day notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance, will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of

Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for 60 days until February 25, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** If you have additional comments on the estimated burden to facilities covered by the standards to comply with the regulation's reporting requirements, suggestions, or need additional information, please contact Gregory Joy, Program Analyst, Bureau of Justice Assistance, 810 Seventh Street NW, Washington, DC 20531.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information are encouraged. Your comments should address one or more of the following four points:

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- 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;
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- 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 submission of responses.

#### Overview of This Information Collection

1. *Type of Information Collection:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

2. *The Title of the Form/Collection:* Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor (Public Law 107-12).

3. *The agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department sponsoring the collection:* The application process is managed through the internet, using the Office of Justice Programs' (OJP) MOV online application system at: <https://www.bja.gov/programs/medalofvalor/index.html>

4. *Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract:* The information that is being

collected is solicited from federal, state, local and tribal public safety agencies, who wish to nominate their personnel to receive the Public Safety Officer Medal of Valor (MOV). This information is provided on a voluntary basis, includes agency and nominee information along with details about the events for which the nominees are to be considered when determining who will be recommended to receive the MOV.

5. *An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:* Over the last four application submission periods, (2011–2012 thru 2014–2015), there were a total of 514 applications received. Taking this number into account, the average number of applications that are anticipated to be received on an annual basis is 128.5. This number does not factor in the ongoing outreach efforts (e.g. marketing and social medial outreach) that are intended to increase the number of annual submissions. In addition, it is projected that the application submission process takes approximately 25 minutes. This would include, reviewing the fields of required and optional information, arranging the information and populating the online application form.

6. *An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection:* Base upon the average number of submissions over the last 4 years, and the estimated time required to complete each submission, the estimated annual public burden would be 53.54 hours.

a.  $128.5 \times 25 \text{ minutes} = 3,212.5 \text{ minutes}/60 = 53.54 \text{ hours}$ .

If additional information is required contact: Melody Braswell, Department Clearance Officer, United States Department of Justice, Justice Management Division, Policy and Planning Staff, Two Constitution Square, 145 N Street NE, 3E.405A, Washington, DC 20530.

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**DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Employment and Training Administration**

**Labor Certification Process for the Temporary Employment of Aliens in Agriculture in the United States: 2019 Adverse Effect Wage Rates for Non-Range Occupations**

**AGENCY:** Employment and Training Administration (ETA), Labor.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) of the Department of Labor (Department) is issuing this notice to announce the 2019 Adverse Effect Wage Rates (AEWR) for the employment of temporary or seasonal nonimmigrant foreign workers (H–2A workers) to perform agricultural labor or services other than the herding or production of livestock on the range.

AEWRs are the minimum wage rates the Department has determined must be offered and paid by employers to H–2A workers and workers in corresponding employment for a particular occupation and area so that the wages and working conditions of similarly employed workers in the United States (U.S.) will not be adversely affected. In this notice, the Department announces the annual update of the AEWRs.

**DATES:** These rates are applicable January 9, 2019.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas M. Dowd, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Employment and Training Administration, Department of Labor, Box #12–200, 200 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20210, Telephone: (202) 693–2772 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with hearing or speech impairments may access the telephone number above via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1–877–889–5627 (TTY/TDD).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As a condition precedent to receiving an H–2A visa, employers must first obtain a labor certification from the Department of Labor. The labor certification provides that: (1) There are not sufficient U.S. workers who are able, willing, and qualified and who will be available at the time and place needed to perform the labor or services involved in the petition; and (2) the employment of the foreign worker(s) in such labor or services will not adversely affect the wages and working conditions of workers in the U.S. similarly employed. 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(a), 1184(c)(1), and 1188(a); 8 CFR 214.2(h)(5); 20 CFR 655.100.

**Adverse Effect Wage Rates for 2019**

The Department’s H–2A regulations at 20 CFR 655.122(l) provide that employers must pay their H–2A workers and workers in corresponding employment at least the highest of: (i) The AEWR; (ii) the prevailing hourly wage rate; (iii) the prevailing piece rate; (iv) the agreed-upon collective bargaining wage rate; or (v) the Federal or State minimum wage rate in effect at the time the work is performed.

The AEWR for all agricultural employment (except for the herding or production of livestock on the range, which is covered by 20 CFR 655.200–655.235) for which temporary H–2A certification is being sought is equal to the annual weighted average hourly wage rate for field and livestock workers (combined) in the State or region as published annually by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). 20 CFR 655.120(c) requires that the Administrator of the Office of Foreign Labor Certification publish the USDA field and livestock worker (combined) wage data as AEWRs in a **Federal Register** Notice. Accordingly, the 2019 AEWRs to be paid for agricultural work performed by H–2A and U.S. workers on or after the effective date of this notice are set forth in the table below:

**TABLE—2019 ADVERSE EFFECT WAGE RATES**

State	2019 AEWRs
Alabama .....	\$11.13
Arizona .....	12.00
Arkansas .....	11.33
California .....	13.92
Colorado .....	13.13
Connecticut .....	13.25
Delaware .....	13.15
Florida .....	11.24
Georgia .....	11.13
Hawaii .....	14.73
Idaho .....	13.48
Illinois .....	13.26
Indiana .....	13.26
Iowa .....	13.34
Kansas .....	14.38
Kentucky .....	11.63
Louisiana .....	11.33
Maine .....	13.25
Maryland .....	13.15
Massachusetts .....	13.25
Michigan .....	13.54
Minnesota .....	13.54
Mississippi .....	11.33
Missouri .....	13.34
Montana .....	13.48
Nebraska .....	14.38
Nevada .....	13.13
New Hampshire .....	13.25
New Jersey .....	13.15
New Mexico .....	12.00
New York .....	13.25
North Carolina .....	12.25
North Dakota .....	14.38