

relief from slot usage requirements, the FAA expects that U.S. carriers will be accommodated with reciprocal relief by foreign coordinators. To the extent that U.S. carriers fly to a foreign carrier's home jurisdiction and that home jurisdiction does not offer reciprocal relief to U.S. carriers, the FAA may determine not to grant a waiver to that foreign carrier. A foreign carrier seeking a waiver may wish to ensure that the responsible authority of the foreign carrier's home jurisdiction submits a statement by email to [ScheduleFiling@dot.gov](mailto:ScheduleFiling@dot.gov) confirming reciprocal treatment of the slot holdings of U.S. carriers.

### Decision

The FAA will waive the minimum slot usage requirements for all carriers canceling scheduled flights at JFK, LGA, and DCA as a direct result of the Coronavirus. This action is effective for Coronavirus-related flight cancellations through May 31, 2020. This decision is intended to provide limited relief to allow airlines to adjust schedules to changing demand projections at U.S. slot-controlled airports directly resulting from Coronavirus. Carriers should advise the FAA Slot Administration Office of Coronavirus-related cancellations and return the slots to the FAA by email to [7-awa-slotadmin@faa.gov](mailto:7-awa-slotadmin@faa.gov) to obtain relief. The information provided must include the dates for which relief is requested, the flight number, origin/destination airport, scheduled time of operation, the slot identification number, as applicable, and supporting information demonstrating that flight cancellations directly relate to the Coronavirus outbreak.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA-2020-0004-N-1]

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its

implementing regulations, FRA seeks approval of the Information Collection Requests (ICRs) abstracted below. Before submitting these ICRs to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval, FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 15, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the ICRs activities by mail to either: Ms. Hodan Wells, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Railroad Safety, Regulatory Analysis Division, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590; or Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, "Comments on OMB Control Number 2130-XXXX," (the relevant OMB control number for each ICR is listed below) and should also include the title of the ICR. Alternatively, comments may be faxed to 202-493-6216 or 202-493-6497, or emailed to Ms. Wells at [hodan.wells@dot.gov](mailto:hodan.wells@dot.gov), or Ms. Toone at [kim.toone@dot.gov](mailto:kim.toone@dot.gov). Please refer to the assigned OMB control number in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Hodan Wells, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Railroad Safety, Regulatory Analysis Division, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-0440) or Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493-6132).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days' notice to the public to allow comment on information collection activities before seeking OMB approval of the activities. See 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. Specifically, FRA invites interested parties to comment on the

following ICRs regarding: (1) Whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1).

FRA believes that soliciting public comment may reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information that Federal regulations mandate. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (1) Reduce reporting burdens; (2) organize information collection requirements in a "user-friendly" format to improve the use of such information; and (3) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

The summaries below describe the ICRs that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

*Title:* Railroad Communications.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0524.

*Abstract:* This collection of information is used by FRA to promote safety in rail operations and to ensure compliance by railroads and their employees with all the requirements set forth in 49 CFR part 220. FRA amended its radio standards and procedures to promote compliance by making the regulations more flexible; require wireless communications devices, including radios, for specified classifications of railroad operations and roadway workers; and retitle this part to reflect its coverage of other means of wireless communications such as cellular telephones and data radio terminals, to convey emergency and need-to-know information. The amended rule established safe, uniform procedures covering the use of radio and other wireless communications within the railroad industry.

*Type of Request:* Extension with change (revised estimates) of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Form(s):* N/A.

*Respondent Universe:* 746 railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

Reporting Burden:

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per responses	Total annual burden hours	Total cost equivalent <sup>1</sup>
220.8—Waivers and petitions .....	746 railroads .....	2 petition letters .....	1 hour .....	2	\$152
220.61(b)—Transmission of mandatory directive.	746 railroads .....	3,800,000 directives	90 seconds .....	95,000	7,220,000
(b)(5)—Marking of fulfilled or canceled mandatory directives.	746 railroads .....	396,000 marks .....	10 seconds .....	1,100	83,600
220.313(a)—Railroad written program of instruction and examination on part 220 requirements.	2 new railroads .....	2 amended written instruction programs.	1 hour .....	2	152
220.313(c)—Employee training records ..	746 railroads .....	2,000 records .....	30 seconds .....	17	1,292
Total .....	746 railroads .....	4,119,004 responses.	NA .....	95,902	7,288,552

<sup>1</sup> The dollar equivalent cost throughout this document is derived from the Surface Transportation Board's Full Year Wage A&B data series using the appropriate employee group hourly wage rate that includes a 75-percent overhead charge.

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 4,119,004.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* 95,902 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent:* \$7,288,552.

*Title:* Passenger Train Emergency Systems.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130-0576.

*Abstract:* This information collection is due to passenger train emergency systems regulations under 49 CFR part 238. The purpose of this part is to prevent collisions, derailments, and other occurrences involving railroad passenger equipment that cause injury or death to railroad employees, railroad

passengers, or the general public, and to mitigate the consequences of such occurrences to the extent they cannot be prevented.

In its final rule issued on November 29, 2013 (*see* 78 FR 71785), FRA added requirements for emergency passage through vestibule and other interior passageway doors and enhanced emergency egress and rescue signage requirements. FRA also established requirements for low-location emergency exit path markings to assist occupants in reaching and operating emergency exits, particularly under conditions of limited visibility.

Moreover, FRA added standards to ensure emergency lighting systems are provided in all passenger cars and enhanced requirements for the survivability of emergency lighting systems in new passenger cars.

*Type of Request:* Extension with change (revised estimates) of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Businesses (railroads).

*Form(s):* N/A.

*Respondent Universe:* 34 railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Reporting Burden:*

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per responses	Total annual burden hours	Total cost equivalent
238.112—Door emergency egress and rescue access systems: —Markings, signage, instructions.	34 railroads .....	2,250 markings/signs/instructions.	5 minutes .....	187.5	\$14,250
(e)—Passenger car exterior doors intended for emergency access by responders marked with retro-reflective material and instructions provided for their use.	34 railroads .....	2,250 exterior door markings.	5 minutes .....	187.5	14,250
(f)(5)—Markings and instructions—interior doors/removable panels or windows.	34 railroads .....	1,500 marked panels/windows.	5 minutes .....	125	9,500
238.113(d)—Emergency window exits—Markings/and instructions.	34 railroads .....	60 window markings	15 minutes .....	15	1,140
238.114(d)—Rescue access windows—Markings with retro-reflective material on each exterior car.	34 railroads .....	1,500 access window markings.	5 minutes .....	125	9,500
238.121(b)—Emergency communications—Marking of each intercom intended for passenger use on new Tier I & Tier II passenger cars.	34 railroads .....	375 marked intercom locations.	5 minutes .....	31.3	2,379
238.123(e)—Marked emergency roof access locations.	34 railroads .....	375 marked emergency roof access locations.	30 minutes .....	187.5	14,250
Total .....	34 railroads .....	8,310 responses .....	NA .....	859	65,269

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 8,310.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* 859 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent:* \$65,269.

Under 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b) and 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA

informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

**Brett A. Jortland,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2020–0004–N–2]

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, this notice announces that FRA is forwarding the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the information collection and its expected burden. On December 30, 2019, FRA published a notice providing a 60-day period for public comment on the ICR.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 15, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the ICR to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FRA Desk Officer. Comments may also be sent via email to OMB at the following address: [oir\\_submissions@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir-submissions@omb.eop.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Hodan Wells, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Railroad Safety, Regulatory Analysis Division, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–0440) or Ms. Kim Toone, Information Collection Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6132).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to issue two notices seeking public comment on

information collection activities before OMB may approve paperwork packages. See 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. On December 30, 2019, FRA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** soliciting public comment on the ICR for which it is now seeking OMB approval. See 84 FR 72128. FRA has received no comments in response to this notice.

Before OMB decides whether to approve this proposed collection of information, it must provide 30-days' notice for public comment. Federal law requires OMB to approve or disapprove paperwork packages between 30 and 60 days after the 30-day notice is published. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b)–(c); 5 CFR 1320.12(d); see also 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. OMB believes the 30-day notice informs the regulated community to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to digest public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, respondents should submit their respective comments to OMB within 30 days of publication to best ensure having their full effect.

Comments are invited on the following ICR regarding: (1) Whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

The summary below describes the ICR that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

*Title:* Railroad Police Officers.

*OMB Control Number:* 2130–0537.

*Abstract:* FRA regulations in 49 CFR part 207 require railroads to notify States of all designated police officers who perform duties outside of their respective jurisdictions. This is necessary to verify proper police authority.

*Type of Request:* Extension with change (revised estimates) of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Businesses.

*Form(s):* N/A.

*Respondent Universe:* 746 railroads.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion.

*Total Estimated Annual Responses:* 110.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden:* 11 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent:* \$836.

Under 44 U.S.C. 3507(a) and 5 CFR 1320.5(b) and 1320.8(b)(3)(vi), FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

**Brett A. Jortland,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2020–0004–N–3]

#### Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, this notice announces that FRA is forwarding the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the information collection and its expected burden. On December 30, 2019, FRA published a notice providing a 60-day period for public comment on the ICR.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 15, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the ICR to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FRA Desk Officer. Comments may also be sent via email to OMB at the following address: [oir\\_submissions@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir-submissions@omb.eop.gov).

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