

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 collection is the continuation of information collected and needed by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs in administering the Exchange Visitor Program (J-Nonimmigrant) under the provisions of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2451, *et seq.*). The Form DS-2019 is the document that provides the information needed to identify an individual (and spouse and dependents, where applicable) seeking to enter the United States as an Exchange Visitor in J-Nonimmigrant status. Minor changes have been made to the wording in the 212(e) section entitled Signature of Responsible Officer or Alternate Responsible Officer. This change does not increase cost or burden.

#### Methodology

Access to Form DS-2019 is made available to Department designated sponsors electronically via the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS).

#### Zachery Parker,

Director.

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## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

### Release of Waybill Data

The Surface Transportation Board has received a request from the U.S. Wheat Associates (WB20-40—8/7/20) for permission to use select data from the Board's 1984-2019 Unmasked Carload Waybill Samples. Also, their request asks for permission to access the masking factors. A copy of this request may be obtained from the Board's website under docket No. WB20-40.

The waybill sample contains confidential railroad and shipper data;

therefore, if any parties object to these requests, they should file their objections with the Director of the Board's Office of Economics within 14 calendar days of the date of this notice. The rules for release of waybill data are codified at 49 CFR 1244.9.

Contact: Alexander Dusenberry, (202) 245-0319.

#### Aretha Laws-Byrum,

Clearance Clerk.

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## TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

### Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** U.S. Trade and Development Agency.

**ACTION:** Request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), this notice announces the U.S. Trade and Development Agency's (USTDA) intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection for Evaluation of USTDA Performance. USTDA invites general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following proposed information collection. Comments may be sent to Lisa Jayne Lawn, Administrative Officer. All comments received will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same address.

**DATES:** Send comments on or before October 13, 2020 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all of the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use <http://www.regulations.gov> by searching the agency name. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov> or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. All submissions received must include the agency name. *Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted.* Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Administrative Officer, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, 1101 Wilson

Bldv., Suite 1100, Arlington, VA 22209-3901.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Lisa Jayne Lawn, Administrative Officer, Attn: PRA, U.S. Trade and Development Agency, 1101 Wilson Blvd., Suite 1100, Arlington, VA 22209-3901; Tel.: (703) 875-4357, Fax: (703) 875-4009; Email: [llawn@ustda.gov](mailto:llawn@ustda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Comments are invited on: (1) 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) 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) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

#### Summary Collection Under Review

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

*Expiration Date of Previous Approval:* 12/31/2020.

*Title:* Evaluation of USTDA Performance.

*Form Number:* USTDA 1000E-2014a.

*Frequency of Use:* Annually for duration of project.

*Type of Respondents:* Business or other for profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; Federal Government.

*Estimated Number of Responses:* 1,440 to 1,800 per year.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 480 to 600 hours per year.

*Federal Cost:* \$335,709.

*Authority for Information Collection:* Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 103 Public Law 62; 107 Stat. 285.

*Abstract:* USTDA and contractors will collect information from various stakeholders on USTDA-funded activities regarding development impact and/or commercial objectives as well as evaluate success regarding GPRA objectives.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval.

All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 10, 2020.

**Lisa Jayne Lawn,**

*Administrative Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

[Docket No. FTA-2019-0002]

#### Notice of Issuance of Final Circular: Guidance on Joint Development

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of final circular.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has placed in the docket and on its website guidance in the form of FTA Circular 7050.1B, *FTA Guidance on Joint Development*. The purpose of the final Circular is to increase flexibility for project sponsors to pursue joint development projects, reduce FTA oversight of joint development agreements negotiated between project sponsors and their partners, streamline FTA's project eligibility review process, and clarify prior guidance in FTA Circular 7050.1A.

**DATES:** The effective date of the Circular is August 14, 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For policy guidance questions, Margaretta Veltri, Office of Budget and Policy, Federal Transit Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, Room E52-315, Washington, DC 20590, phone: (202) 366-5094, or email, [margaretta.veltri@dot.gov](mailto:margaretta.veltri@dot.gov). For legal questions, Heather Ueyama, Office of Chief Counsel, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE, Room E54-417, Washington, DC 20590, phone: (202) 366-7374, or email, [heather.ueyama@dot.gov](mailto:heather.ueyama@dot.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Availability of Final Circular

This notice provides a summary of the final changes to the *FTA Guidance on Joint Development* Circular and responds to comments received on the proposed Circular. The final Circular itself is not included in this notice; instead, an electronic version may be found on FTA's website, at [www.transit.dot.gov](http://www.transit.dot.gov), and in the docket, at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Paper copies of the final Circular may be obtained by contacting FTA's Administrative Services Help Desk, at (202) 366-4865.

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#### I. Overview

FTA is finalizing its update to its Joint Development Circular to increase flexibility for project sponsors to pursue joint development projects, reduce FTA oversight of joint development agreements negotiated between project sponsors and their partners, streamline FTA's project eligibility review process, and clarify prior guidance in FTA Circular 7050.1A. The final changes to the Circular affect: (1) The minimum threshold for the statutory "fair share of revenue" requirement; and (2) the submission and review process for FTA-assisted joint development projects. The final Circular also incorporates technical and conforming changes that increase clarity, conformity with existing law, and internal consistency.

This notice provides a summary of changes to Circular 7050.1A, and addresses comments received in response to the April 18, 2019 **Federal Register** notice of proposed updated circular and request for comments (84 FR 16339). The final Circular 7050.1B, *FTA Guidance on Joint Development*, is effective immediately and supersedes Circular 7050.1A. The final Circular applies to all new projects and those pending FTA approval at the time of the Circular's publication.

#### II. Changes to Circular 7050.1A

##### A. Fair Share of Revenue

Section 5302(3)(G)(iii) of title 49, United States Code, requires FTA-assisted joint development projects to provide a "fair share of revenue that will be used for public transportation." Prior to the October 1, 2014 effective date of Circular 7050.1A, FTA generally deferred to a project sponsor's assessment of a "fair share of revenue," and did not require any specific amount of revenue for transit from a joint development project. FTA defined "fair share of revenue" in Circular 7050.1A to incorporate a minimum revenue threshold that a joint development project must produce for transit purposes that at least equals the federal government's initial investment in the joint development project. (79 FR 50,728; 50,731-32).

Over time, FTA has found that defining a fair share of revenue minimum threshold unnecessarily limits the pool of potential projects by reducing flexibility for project sponsors and their partners to determine what amounts to a fair share of revenue.

Accordingly, the proposed Circular eliminated the fair share of revenue minimum threshold and monetary requirement. FTA received several comments supporting this proposal. In response, the final Circular adopts this change.

FTA allows the amount and form of revenue received by the project sponsor to be negotiated between joint development parties. Consistent with the proposed Circular and Circular 7050.1A, the project sponsor must continue to report to FTA the amount and source of the revenue it will receive, and the revenue must be used for transit purposes. FTA advises in the final Circular that the project sponsor should determine how to document its reasonable determination that the terms and conditions of the joint development improvement (including the share of revenue for public transportation which shall be provided thereunder) are reasonable and fair to the recipient. For example, a project sponsor's Board of Directors (or similar governing body) could, following a reasonable investigation, document the fair share of revenue determination in a Board resolution or other Board materials. This change provides discretion to the project sponsor, while also ensuring compliance with the fair share of revenue requirement in lieu of the certificate of compliance and baseline market analysis that FTA no longer requires, as discussed in Section (B) below.

Further, in response to a comment, and to provide additional flexibility to the project sponsor, FTA will no longer reserve the right to decline joint development project funding or approval if the project does not generate revenue for the project sponsor.

##### B. Submission and Review Process

Circular 7050.1A prescribed a process by which project proposals are submitted to FTA for review. It required a formal project proposal to include: (1) A completed project request form that contains pertinent information about the joint development project, including how the eligibility criteria are to be satisfied; (2) all proposed agreements between the project sponsor and project partners; (3) an executed certificate of compliance; and (4) two forms identifying other required and supplemental documentation, including a baseline market analysis to demonstrate a good faith effort to provide a fair share of revenue to the project sponsor.

FTA will update the project request form to reflect the changes regarding the "fair share of revenue" requirement