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**Respondents:** Any un-credentialed individual who requests a user account to access web applications published by the FAA or other U.S. Federal Government entity that is integrated with the MyAccess program.

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**Estimated Total Annual Burden:** ~0.07 hours (~4 minutes).

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2021-0189]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Renewal of an Approved Information Collection: Hours of Service (HOS) of Drivers Regulations

**AGENCY:** Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for its review and approval and invites public comment. The FMCSA requests approval to renew an ICR titled, “Hours of Service (HOS) of Drivers Regulations.” The HOS

regulations require a motor carrier to install, and requires each of its drivers subject to the record of duty status (RODS) rule to use, an electronic logging device (ELD) to report the driver’s RODS. The RODS is critical to FMCSA’s safety mission because it helps enforcement officials determine if commercial motor vehicle (CMV) drivers are complying with the HOS rules limiting driver on-duty and driving time and requiring periodic off-duty time.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received on or before May 18, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket Number FMCSA-2021-0189 using any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Fax:* 1-202-493-2251.

- *Mail:* Docket Operations; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 20590-0001.

- *Hand Delivery or Courier:* U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12-140, Washington, DC 20590-0001 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. E.T., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**Instructions:** All submissions must include the agency name and docket number. For detailed instructions on submitting comments, see the Public Participation heading below. Note that all comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided. Please see the Privacy Act heading below.

**Docket:** For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for accessing the dockets, or go to the street address listed above. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 366-9317 or (202) 366-9826 before visiting Dockets Operations.

**Privacy Act:** In accordance with 5 U.S.C. 553(c), DOT solicits comments from the public to better inform its rulemaking process. DOT posts these comments, without edit, including any personal information the commenter provides, to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), as described in the system of records notice (DOT/ALL-14 FDMS), which can be reviewed at [www.dot.gov/privacy](http://www.dot.gov/privacy).

**Public Participation:** The Federal eRulemaking Portal is available 24

hours each day, 365 days each year. You can obtain electronic submission and retrieval help and guidelines under the “FAQ” section of the Federal eRulemaking Portal website. If you want us to notify you that we received your comments, please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or postcard, or print the acknowledgement page that appears after submitting comments online. Comments received after the comment closing date will be included in the docket and will be considered to the extent practicable.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Pearlie Robinson, FMCSA Driver and Carrier Operations Division, DOT, FMCSA, West Building 6th Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590. Telephone: 202-366-4225. Email: [MCPSD@dot.gov](mailto:MCPSD@dot.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On December 16, 2015, the final rule titled “Electronic Logging Devices and Hours of Service Supporting Documents” was published (80 FR 78292). It became effective February 16, 2016. The FMCSA established minimum performance and design standards for ELDs and mandated use of these devices by drivers who are subject to the HOS reporting requirements. Drivers using compliant automatic on-board recorders had until December 16, 2019, to replace the devices with ELDs. As a condition of receiving certain federal grants, States agree to adopt and enforce the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations, including the HOS rules, as State law. As a result, State enforcement inspectors use the RODS and supporting documents to determine whether CMV drivers are complying with the HOS rules. In addition, FMCSA uses the RODS during on-site and offsite investigations of motor carriers. And, Federal and State courts rely upon the RODS as evidence of driver and motor carrier violations of the HOS regulations. This information collection supports the DOT’s Strategic Goal of Safety because the information helps the agency ensure the safe operation of CMVs in interstate commerce on our Nation’s highways.

##### Renewal of This Information Collection (IC)

The current IC burden estimate of the HOS rules, approved by OMB on July 31, 2019, is 41.04 million hours. The expiration date of the current ICR is July 31, 2022. Through this ICR renewal, FMCSA requests a revision of the paperwork burden of 2126-0001. The agency requests an increase in the

burden hours from 41.04 million hours to 50.37 million hours. The increase is the result of the increase in estimated driver population as well as the increase in expected industry growth rate for drivers from 2020 to 2030. Two types of information are collected under this IC: (1) Drivers' RODS commonly referred to as a logbook, and (2) supporting documents, such as gasoline and toll receipts, that motor carriers use to verify accuracy of RODS and document expense deductions for income tax filing purposes. The use of ELDs reduces the driver's time to input duty status from 6.5 minutes to 2 minutes. This IC includes only the estimate of 2 minutes for drivers and motor carriers.

*Title:* Hours of Service (HOS) of Drivers Regulations.

*OMB Control Number:* 2126-0001.

*Type of Request:* Renewal of an information collection.

*Respondents:* Motor Carriers of Property and Passengers, Drivers of CMVs.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4.24 million CMV drivers; 602,542 Motor Carriers.

*Estimated Time per Response:* CMV drivers using technology: 2 minutes. Motor Carriers: 2 minutes.

*Expiration Date:* July 31, 2022.

*Frequency of Response:* Drivers: 240 days per year; Motor carriers 240 days per year.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 50.37 million hours.

*Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the performance of FMCSA's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the information collected. The agency will summarize or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this ICR.

Issued under the authority of 49 CFR 1.87 on:

**Thomas P. Keane,**

*Associate Administrator, Office of Research and Registration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

#### Announcement of Fiscal Year 2021 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program Project Selections

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

**ACTION:** Notice; announcement of project selections. Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the allocation of \$409,274,220 to projects under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program (Buses and Bus Facilities Program) and provides administrative guidance on project implementation.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Successful applicants should contact the appropriate FTA Regional Office for information regarding applying for the funds or program-specific information. A list of Regional Offices can be found at [www.transit.dot.gov/](http://www.transit.dot.gov/). Unsuccessful applicants may contact Tom Wilson, Office of Program Management at (202) 366-5279, email: [Thomas.Wilson@dot.gov](mailto:Thomas.Wilson@dot.gov) within 30 days of this announcement to arrange a proposal debriefing. A TDD is available at 1-800-877-8339 (TDD/FIRS).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5339(b)) authorizes FTA to make competitive grants for buses and bus facilities. Federal public law (49 U.S.C. 5338(a)(2)(M)) authorized \$289,044,179 in FY 2021 funds for the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program. The Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, appropriated an additional \$125,000,000 for the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program. After the oversight takedown of \$4,455,331, FTA is announcing the availability of \$409,588,848 for the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program.

On September 20, 2021, FTA published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) (86 FR 52291) announcing the availability of \$409,588,848 in competitive funding under the Buses and Bus Facilities Program. These funds will provide financial assistance to states and eligible public agencies to replace, rehabilitate, purchase, or lease buses, vans, and related equipment, and for capital projects to rehabilitate, purchase, construct, or lease bus-related facilities. In response to the NOFO, FTA received 303 eligible project proposals totaling

approximately \$2.56 billion in Federal funds. Project proposals were evaluated based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria outlined in the NOFO.

Based on the criteria in the NOFO, FTA is funding 70 projects, as shown in Table 1, for a total of \$409,274,220. Recipients selected for competitive funding are required to work with their FTA Regional Office to submit a grant application in FTA's Transit Award Management System (TrAMS) for the projects identified in the attached table to quickly obligate funds. Grant applications must only include eligible activities applied for in the original project application. Funds must be used consistent with the competitive proposal and for the eligible capital purposes described in the NOFO.

In cases where the allocation amount is less than the proposer's total requested amount, recipients are required to fund the scalable project option as described in the application. If the award amount does not correspond to the scalable option, the recipient should work with the Regional Office to reduce scope or scale the project such that a complete phase or project is accomplished. Recipients may also provide additional local funds to complete a proposed project. A discretionary project identification number has been assigned to each project for tracking purposes and must be used in the TrAMS application.

Selected projects are eligible to incur costs under pre-award authority no earlier than the date projects were publicly announced. Pre-award authority does not guarantee that project expenses incurred prior to the award of a grant will be eligible for reimbursement, as eligibility for reimbursement is contingent upon other requirements, such as planning and environmental requirements, having been met. For more about FTA's policy on pre-award authority, please see the current FTA Apportionments, Allocations, and Program Information and Interim Guidance at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/apportions>. Post-award reporting requirements include submission of Federal Financial Reports and Milestone Progress Reports in TrAMS (see FTA Circular 5010.1E). Recipients must comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal requirements in carrying out the project supported by the FTA grant. FTA emphasizes that recipients must follow all third-party procurement requirements set forth in Federal public