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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

JTPA Annual Summary Program Report (JASPR); Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, 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) [44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)]. 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 Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments concerning the proposed extension collection of the JTPA Annual Summary Program Report (JASPR).

A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before November 12, 1997.

The Department of Labor 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.

ADDRESSES: Haskel Lowery, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW., Room N4463, Washington, DC 20210; Internet Address: LOWERYH@DOLETA.GOV; telephone number (202) 219-5305 (this is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Under the Job Training Partnership Act program, Title II-B, the Summer Youth Employment and Training Program, has been established to: (1) Enhance the basic skills of youth; (2) encourage school completion or enrollment in supplementary or alternative school programs; (3) provide eligible youth with exposure to the world of work; and (4) enhance the citizenship skills of youth. The Department of Labor is responsible for overseeing these programs. In order to carry out that responsibility, the Department is extending the reporting requirements and instructions.

II. Current Actions

The Department is requesting to continue reporting of this information on an annual basis. This information will permit the Department to fulfill its oversight requirements as well as to respond to requests from the U.S. Congress, the Administration, the media, and the public for program information.

Type of Review: Reinstatement (with change).

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: JTPA Annual Summary Program Report (JASPR).

OMB Number: 1205-0200.

Agency Number: ETA 9040.

Recordkeeping: Retention for 3 years.

Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc.: 29 U.S.C. P.L. 97-300, 20 CFR 627.425, 627.460, 627.455.

Total Respondents: 59.

Frequency: Annual.

Total responses: 118.

Average Time per Response: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 236.

(59 respondents × 2 responses × 2 hours per response = 236 burden hours)

Total Burden Cost (operation/maintaining): \$3,540.00 Comments

submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 9, 1997.

Charles Atkinson,

Deputy Administrator Office of Job Training Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment Standards Administration

Wage and Hour Division; Minimum Wages for Federal and Federally Assisted Construction; General Wage Determination Decisions

General wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue