

Abstract: The FHWA and the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) jointly administer the Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) Program. Surveys are conducted of federally recognized tribes to provide feedback regarding their satisfaction with the IRR Program. The collected information is used by the FHWA and the BIA to improve the administration of the IRR program. This survey gathers information from the tribes to assess: (1) Overall levels of understanding of the IRR program; (2) involvement in the IRR program; and (3) satisfaction with the IRR program administration and accomplishments. In addition, the survey allows tribes to propose recommendations for improving the operation and administration of the IRR program.

Respondents: Approximately 561 federally recognized tribes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: It is estimated that each response requires 30 minutes. The surveys are conducted approximately every 2 years (280 biannual burden hours); 140 annual burden hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Sparrow, 202-366-9483, Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, Federal Lands Highway Core Business Unit, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

Electronic Access: Internet users may access all comments received by the U.S. DOT Dockets, Room PL-401, by using the universal resource locator (URL): <http://dms.dot.gov>. It is available 24 hours each day, 365 days each year. Please follow the instructions online for more information and help. An electronic copy of this document may be downloaded using a modem and suitable communications software from the Government Printing Office Electronic Bulletin Board Service at telephone number 202-512-1661. Internet users may reach the *Federal Register's* home page at <http://www.nara.gov/fedreg> and the Government Printing Office's database at <http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara>.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Douglas County, WA

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for a proposed highway project in City of East Wenatchee & Douglas County, Washington.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Megan Hall, Transportation and Environmental Engineer, Federal Highway Administration, 711 South Capital Way, Evergreen Plaza, Suite 501, Olympia, Washington 98501-1284, Telephone: (360) 753-9413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Washington State Department of Transportation, city of East Wenatchee, & Douglas County, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for mobility improvement to State Route 28 in Douglas County, Washington. The main problem area is approximately four miles of existing State Route 28 in East Wenatchee, from the Ninth Street intersection to the junction of SR2/97. The study area for improvements will be east of the Columbia River, between Rock Island Dam and Rocky Beach Dam, approximately 20 miles in length.

Improvements are considered necessary to provide for existing and projected traffic demands. Alternatives under consideration include (1) taking no action; (2) using the alternative travel modes; (3) widening the existing two-lane highway to five lanes; and (4) improving an alternative corridor to provide the needed capacity. Incorporated into and studied with the various build alternatives will be variations of grade and alignment, and locations.

Letters describing the proposed action and soliciting comments will be sent to appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, affected Indian Tribes, private organizations, and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. A series of public meetings will be held in Douglas County. One of the public meetings will be an official scoping meeting, which is expected to be scheduled in the summer of 2001. In addition, a public hearing will be held. Public notice will be given of the time and place of the meetings and hearing. The draft EIS will be available for public

and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed action are addressed and all significant issues identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action and the EIS should be directed to the FHWA at the address provided above.

(Catalogue of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Research Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program)

Megan P. Hall,

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[NHTSA-01-8884]

Insurer Reporting Requirements

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: This notice announces publication by NHTSA of the annual insurer report on motor vehicle theft for the 1995 reporting year. Section 33112(c) of Title 49 of the U.S. Code, requires this information to be compiled periodically and published by the agency in a form that will be helpful to the public, the law enforcement community, and Congress. As required by section 33112(c), this report provides information on theft and recovery of vehicles; rating rules and plans used by motor vehicle insurers to reduce premiums due to a reduction in motor vehicle thefts; and actions taken by insurers to assist in deterring thefts.

ADDRESSES: Due to the voluminous content of this report, interested persons may obtain a copy of this report by contacting the Docket Section, NHTSA, Room 5109, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20590. Docket hours are from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Requests should refer to Docket No. 98-001; Notice 04.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Rosalind Proctor, Office of Planning and Consumer Programs, NHTSA, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Ms. Proctor's telephone number

is (202) 366-0846. Her fax number is (202) 493-2290.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Motor Vehicle Theft Law Enforcement Act of 1984 (Theft Act) was implemented to enhance detection and prosecution of motor vehicle theft (Pub. L. 98-547). The Theft Act added a new Title VI to the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act, which required the Secretary of Transportation to issue a theft prevention standard for identifying major parts of certain high-theft lines of passenger cars. The Act also addressed several other actions to reduce motor vehicle theft, such as increased criminal penalties for those who traffic in stolen vehicles and parts, curtailment of the exportation of stolen motor vehicles and off-highway mobile equipment, establishment of penalties for dismantling vehicles for the purpose of trafficking in stolen parts, and development of ways to encourage decreases in premiums charged to consumers for motor vehicle theft insurance.

Title VI (which has since been recodified as 49 U.S.C. Chapter 331), was designed to impede the theft of motor vehicles by creating a theft prevention standard which required manufacturers of designated high-theft car lines to inscribe or affix a vehicle identification number onto major components and replacement parts of all vehicle lines selected as high theft. The theft standard became effective in Model Year 1987 for designated high-theft car lines.

The Anti Car Theft Act of 1992 (Pub.L. 102-519) amended the law relating to the parts-marking of major component parts on designated high-theft vehicles. One amendment made by the Anti Car Theft Act was to 49 U.S.C. 33101(10), where the definition of "passenger motor vehicle" now includes a "multipurpose passenger vehicle or light-duty truck when that vehicle or truck is rated at not more than 6,000 pounds gross vehicle weight." Since "passenger motor vehicle" was previously defined to include passenger cars only, the effect of the Anti Car Theft Act is that certain multipurpose passenger vehicle (MPV) and light-duty truck (LDT) lines may be determined to be high-theft vehicles subject to the Federal motor vehicle theft prevention standard (49 CFR part 541).

Section 33112 of Title 49 requires subject insurers or designated agents to report annually to the agency on theft and recovery of vehicles, on rating rules and plans used by insurers to reduce premiums due to a reduction in motor

vehicle thefts, and on actions taken by insurers to assist in deterring thefts. Rental and leasing companies also are required to provide annual theft reports to the agency.

The annual insurer reports provided under section 33112 are intended to aid in implementing the Theft Act and fulfilling the Department's requirements to report to the public the results of the insurer reports. The first annual insurer report, referred to as the section 612 Report on Motor Vehicle Theft, was prepared by the agency and issued in December 1987. The report included theft and recovery data by vehicle type, make, line, and model which were tabulated by insurance companies and rental and leasing companies. Comprehensive premium information for each of the reporting insurance companies was also included. This report, the eleventh, discloses the same subject information and follows the same reporting format.

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Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Safety Performance Standards.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Research and Special Programs Administration

[Docket RSPA-98-4957; Notice 27]

Notice of Request to Extend Existing Information Collection

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Request for OMB approval and public comments.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Research and Special Programs Administration's (RSPA) Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) is publishing its intention to combine two existing information collections into one. OPS is combining Management Information System (MIS) Standardized Data Collection and Reporting of Drug Testing Materials (2137-0579) and Alcohol Testing (2137-0587) (65 FR 76704-05 December 7, 2000). No comments were received. The purpose of this notice is to allow the public an additional 30 days to comment and request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The combined information collection will be titled "Drug and Alcohol Testing" (2137-0579).

OPS believes that alcohol and drug testing requirements are an important

tool for operators to monitor drug and alcohol usage in the industry. OPS has found that drug and alcohol use in the pipeline industry is less than 1% of employees.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before April 16, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments should identify the docket number of this notice, RSPA-98-4957, and be mailed directly to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, 726 Jackson Place, NW., Washington, DC 20503, ATTN: Desk Officer for DOT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marvin Fell, Office of Pipeline Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-6205 or by electronic mail at marvin.fell@rspa.dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Drug and Alcohol Testing.

OMB Number: 2137-0579.

Type of Request: Extension of an existing information collection.

Abstract: Drug and Alcohol abuse is a major societal problem and it is reasonable to assume the problem exists in the pipeline industry as it does in society as a whole. The potential harmful effect of drug and alcohol abuse on safe pipeline operations warrants imposing comprehensive testing regulations on the pipeline industry. These rules are found in 49 CFR part 199. These regulations require annual information collection of the results.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) is rewriting its drug and alcohol testing regulations in 49 CFR part 40. As a result, the bulk of the burden hours that were accounted for by the modes will now be accounted for in a new information collection issued by DOT.

OPS is using this opportunity to combine its information collections for drug and alcohol testing information collections.

Respondents: Pipeline operators.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 2,419.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 2,963 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be reviewed at the Dockets Facility, Plaza 401, U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590 from 9 am to 5 pm. Monday through Friday except Federal holidays. They also can be viewed over the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov>.