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*Comments*

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Homeland Security.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2009-0001]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request, 1660-NEW; FEMA Preparedness Grants: Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; 60-day notice and  
request for comments; new information  
collection; OMB No. 1660-NEW; FEMA  
Preparedness Grants: Emergency  
Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program;  
FEMA Form 089-3, EOC Grant Program  
Investment Justification and Scoring  
Criteria; FEMA Form 089-18,  
Prioritization of Competitive Investment  
Justifications Template.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, as part of its  
continuing effort to reduce paperwork  
and respondent burden, invites the

general public and other Federal  
agencies to take this opportunity to  
comment on a proposed new  
information collection. In accordance  
with the Paperwork Reduction Act of  
1995, this Notice seeks comments  
concerning information collection  
activities required to administer the  
Emergency Operations Center (EOC)  
Grant Program.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on  
or before January 19, 2010.

**ADDRESSES:** To avoid duplicate  
submissions to the docket, please use  
only one of the following means to  
submit comments:

(1) *Online.* Submit comments at  
<http://www.regulations.gov> under  
docket ID FEMA-2009-0001. Follow the  
instructions for submitting comments.

(2) *Mail.* Submit written comments to  
Office of Chief Counsel, Regulation and  
Policy Team, DHS/FEMA, 500 C Street,  
SW., Room 835, Washington, DC 20472-  
3100.

(3) *Facsimile.* Submit comments to  
(703) 483-2999.

(4) *E-mail.* Submit comments to  
[FEMA-POLICY@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-POLICY@dhs.gov). Include docket  
ID FEMA-2009-0001 in the subject line.

All submissions received must  
include the agency name and docket ID.  
Regardless of the method used for  
submitting comments or material, all  
submissions will be posted, without  
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Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>,  
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Administration Navigation Bar of  
<http://www.regulations.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Contact Alex Mrazik, Program Analyst,  
Grant Programs Directorate, 202-786-  
9732 for additional information. You  
may contact the Records Management  
Branch for copies of the proposed  
collection of information at facsimile  
number (202) 646-3347 or e-mail  
address: [FEMA-Information-  
Collections@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The  
Emergency Operations Center (EOC)  
Grant Program is intended to improve  
emergency management and  
preparedness capabilities by supporting  
flexible, sustainable, secure, and  
interoperable EOCs with a focus on  
addressing identified deficiencies and  
needs. Fully capable emergency  
operations facilities at the State,  
territory, local and/or tribal levels are an

essential element of a comprehensive  
national emergency management system  
and are necessary to ensure continuity  
of operations and continuity of  
government in major disasters caused by  
any hazard. Section 614 of the Robert T.  
Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency  
Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5196c), as  
amended by Section 202, Title II of the  
*Implementing Recommendations of the  
9/11 Commission Act of 2007* (Pub. L.  
110-053), states, "The Administrator of  
the Federal Emergency Management  
Agency may make grants to States under  
this title for equipping, upgrading, and  
constructing State and local emergency  
operations centers."

#### Collection of Information

*Title:* FEMA Preparedness Grants:  
Emergency Operations Center (EOC)  
Grant Program.

*Type of Information Collection:* New  
information collection.

*OMB Number:* 1660-NEW.

*Form Titles and Numbers:* FEMA  
Form 089-3, EOC Grant Program  
Investment Justification and Scoring  
Criteria; FEMA Form 089-18,  
Prioritization of Competitive Investment  
Justifications Template.

*Abstract:* The Emergency Operations  
Center (EOC) Grant Program is intended  
to improve emergency management and  
preparedness capabilities by supporting  
flexible, sustainable, secure, and  
interoperable EOCs with a focus on  
addressing identified deficiencies and  
needs. Fully capable emergency  
operations facilities at the State,  
territory, local and/or tribal levels are an  
essential element of a comprehensive  
national emergency management system  
and are necessary to ensure continuity  
of operations and continuity of  
government in major disasters caused by  
any hazard. The information collection  
activity is the collection of financial and  
programmatic information from State,  
territory, local, tribal, and/or for-profit  
partners pertaining to grant and  
cooperative agreement awards that  
include application, program narrative  
statements, grant award, performance  
information, outlay reports, grant  
funding and property management, and  
closeout information. The information  
enables FEMA and any federal partners  
to evaluate applications and make  
award decisions, monitor ongoing  
performance and manage the flow of  
federal funds, and to appropriately close  
out grants or cooperative agreements.

*Affected Public:* State, Local or Tribal  
Government.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden  
Hours:* 5,908 Hours.

Type of respondent	Form name/form number	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Annual number of responses	Avg. burden per response (in hours)	Total annual burden (in hours)	Avg. hourly wage rate*	Total annual respondent cost
State, Local or Tribal Government.	EOC Grant Program Investment Justification and Scoring Criteria, FEMA Form 089-3.	700	1	700	8	5,600	\$37.80	\$211,680.00
State, Local or Tribal Government.	Prioritization of Competitive Investment Justifications Template FEMA Form 089-18.	56	1	56	5.5	308	32.20	9,917.60
Total EOC.	.....	756	.....	.....	.....	5,908	.....	221,597.60

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#### Comments

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

#### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2009-0001]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request, 1660-NEW; FEMA Preparedness Grants: Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; 60-day notice and request for comments; new information

collection; OMB No. 1660-NEW; FEMA Form 089-4, TSGP Investment Justification; FEMA Form 089-27, Fast Track Cost Training Matrix.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed new information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this Notice seeks comments concerning the information collection activities required to administer the FEMA Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP).

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before January 19, 2010.

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