DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

ITS Joint Program Office; Core System Requirements Walkthrough and Architecture Proposal Review Meetings and Webinars; Notice of Public Meeting

AGENCY: Research and Innovative Technology Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) ITS Joint Program Office (ITS JPO) will host two free public meetings with accompanying webinars to discuss the Vehicle to Infrastructure (V2I) Core System Requirements and Architecture Proposal. The first meeting, June 21, 22, and 23, 2011, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. at the University of California—Washington Center, 1608 Rhode Island Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20036 (202) 974–6200, will walk through the review of System Requirements Specification and Architecture Proposal. The second meeting will be a review of the System Requirements Specification and Architecture Proposal and will take place on September 19, 20, and 21, 2011, 9 a.m.–4:30 p.m. at the San Jose Garden Inn 1740 North First Street, San Jose, CA 95112 (408) 793–3300. To learn more about the ITS JPO, visit the program’s Web site at http://www.its.dot.gov.

The V2I Core System will support applications for safety, mobility, and sustainability for various modes of transportation including passenger vehicles, transit, and heavy trucks. This is the successor to work originally performed under the Vehicle Infrastructure Integration Proof of Concept (VII POC). The Core System supports a distributed, diverse set of applications.

Connected Vehicle research at the USDOT is a multimodal program that involves using wireless communication between vehicles, infrastructure, and personal communications devices to improve safety, mobility, and environmental sustainability. The program is the major research initiative of the ITS JPO which is currently working with the eight major automotive companies to develop vehicle crash warning applications using Dedicated Short Range Communications (DSRC) technology. In addition, the ITS JPO is working to develop of myriad of applications which will use data collected from connected vehicles that can improve safety, mobility and sustainability. There is also connected vehicle-related research in the areas of standards, data collection, certification, policy, road weather, and public transportation.

Persons planning to attend the webinar should send their full name, organization, and business e-mail address to Adam Hoops at ITS America at Ahopps@ITSA.org by June 16, 2011. Please specify the name of the webinar in the e-mail. For additional questions, please contact Adam Hoops at (202) 680–0091.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

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Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and its implementing regulations, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) hereby announces that it is seeking renewal of the following currently approved information collection activities. Before submitting these information collection requirements (ICRs) for clearance by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified below.

DATES: Comments must be received no later than August 12, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on any or all of the following proposed activities by mail to either: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Safety, Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS–21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590, or Ms. Kimberly Toone, Office of Information Technology, RAD–20, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 35, Washington, DC 20590. Commenters requesting FRA to acknowledge receipt of their respective comments must include a self-addressed stamped postcard stating, “Comments on OMB control number 2130–0004.” Alternatively, comments may be transmitted via facsimile to (202) 493–6216 or (202) 493–6497, or via e-mail to Mr. Brogan at Robert.Brogan@dot.gov, or to Ms. Toone at Kimberly.Toone@dot.gov. Please refer to the assigned OMB control number in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert Brogan, Office of Planning and Evaluation Division, RRS–21, Federal Railroad Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE., Mail Stop 25, Washington, DC 20590 (telephone: (202) 493–6292) or Ms. Kimberly Toone,