

**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION****Federal Highway Administration****[Docket No. FHWA-2014-0025]****Agency Information Collection****Activities: Request for Comments for a New Information Collection****AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for a new information collection, which is summarized below under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Please submit comments by September 30, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number 2014-0025 by any of the following methods:

*Web site:* For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

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

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

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Jodoin, (202) 366-5465, or James Austrich, 202-366-0731, Office of Operations, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* National Traffic Incident Management Responder Training Assessment

*Background:* Three highway injury crashes occur every minute in the United States, putting nearly 39,000 incident responders potentially in harm's way every day. Congestion from

these incidents often generates secondary crashes, further increasing traveler delay and frustration, and is the source of up to 25 percent of all traffic delays. The longer incident responders remain at the scene, the greater the risk they, and the traveling public, face. Minimizing the time and resources required for incident clearance is essential to meeting Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) goals for improved safety and reliability.

The second Strategic Highway Research Program (SHRP2) an applied research program authorized by Congress in the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU), Section 5210 (Pub. L. 109-59), and reauthorized in Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21), Sections 52003 and 52005 (Pub. L. 112-141) address some of the most pressing needs related to the nation's highway system. Recognizing the critical safety and operations implications of incident management, SHRP2 developed the National Traffic Incident Management (TIM) Responder Training curriculum. The training curriculum, developed through SHRP2 project numbers L12 and L32A, is designed to reach as many responders as possible through in-person training. In the summer of 2012, the FHWA Office of Operations assumed lead implementation responsibility for the in-person training program, and is currently conducting "train the trainer" sessions throughout the U.S. The Office of Operations also plans to launch an E-Learning Tool (SHRP2 project L32B) that will significantly expand the reach of the program, reaching thousands of additional responders. When fully-deployed, the training will produce a cadre of well-trained responders in each State, able to more quickly reduce the time it takes to clear accidents, offering the benefits of reduced congestion and lost travel time for travelers, as well as improved safety conditions for incident responders and motorists.

The SHRP2 program also identified the need for comprehensive evaluation of the benefits of TIM responder training, and developed an electronic post-course assessment tool (Assessment Tool) through project L32C, to be used to gather and analyze survey information related to TIM responder training. The Assessment Tool and collected survey information will enable participating agencies to assess student learning, to identify actions that can be taken to meet agency emergency response goals, and to evaluate the sufficiency of current agency resources and equipment to meet

the goals of successful TIM response. The Assessment Tool will also support the Office of Operations' management of the TIM Responder Training Program by tracking and reporting the number of trainers and trainees reached by the classroom and e-Learning activities. The tool will use a four-level "Kirkpatrick Model" evaluation methodology with survey data collection following both in-person and e-Learning events. Consistent with the Kirkpatrick Model, the Office of Operations intends to survey training participants, their peers, and their supervisors in four phases.

Phase 1 is a reaction survey, sent to the participants immediately after the training session is completed, either in hardcopy or electronic form.

Phase 2 is concurrent with Phase 1 but focused on student learning. The Phase 2 assessment will include survey questions and short quizzes to be answered by the participants before and shortly after the training sessions, in order to gauge student absorption and retention of the course materials. Information will be collected in hardcopy or electronic form.

Phase 3 is a behavior assessment, conducted at least two months following the completion of the training sessions. This phase is designed to assess changes in responder behavior, the relevance of those changes to improved incident response, and their sustainability over time. Information will be collected via survey of training participants, their peers, and their supervisors. Peer and supervisor feedback is essential to obtaining objective, reliable assessments of trainee behavior change. Information will be collected via electronic survey.

Phase 4 assesses organizational change resulting from the training program in the medium and long-terms. Surveys will be distributed electronically to senior management officials of trainee organizations. Initial surveys will be conducted at least three months after training sessions, with annual follow-up surveys for up to three years to gauge long-term effects of the training program.

*Respondents:* For *training participants:* Approximately 33,905 training participants in the first year, 36,905 in the second year, 53,905 in the third year—total of approximately 124,715 participants over a three year period. For *supervisors:* Approximately 3,390 in the first year, 3,690 in the second year, and 5,390 in the third year—total of 12,470 over three years. For *senior management:* Approximately 1,130 in the first year, 1,230 in the second year, and 1,800 in the third year—4,160 total over three years,

including annual follow-up surveys of first and second year organizations. Total estimated respondents per year: Approximately 38,425 in year one, 41,925 in year two, 61,095 in year three—grand total of 141,445 over three years.

*Frequency:* Annually.

*Estimated Average Burden per Response:* For training participants: Approximately 45 minutes per participant. For supervisors: Approximately 30 minutes per participant. For senior managers: Approximately 30 minutes per participant.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* For training participants: Approximately 31,179 hours annually. For supervisors: Approximately 2078 hours annually. For senior managers: approximately 693 hours annually. Total hours annually: 33,950.

*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 FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

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

Issued on: July 28, 2014.

**Michael Howell,**

*Information Collections Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

[Docket No. FMCSA-2014-0195]

#### Agency Information Collection Activities; Revision of a Currently-Approved Information Collection Request: Commercial Driver Licensing and Test Standards

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

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995,

FMCSA announces its plan to submit the Information Collection Request (ICR) described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval and invites public comment. The FMCSA requests approval to revise and renew an ICR entitled, "*Commercial Driver Licensing and Test Standards*," due to an increase in the number of Commercial Driver License Information System (CDLIS) driver records from 12.8 to 14.6 million and the addition of one information collection item: "Driver completion of knowledge and skills tests [49 CFR 383.71(a)(2)(ii) and (b)(2)]." This ICR is needed to ensure that drivers, motor carriers and the States are complying with notification and recordkeeping requirements for information related to testing, licensing, violations, convictions and disqualifications and that the information is accurate, complete and transmitted and recorded within certain time periods as required by the Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1986 (CMVSA), as amended.

**DATES:** Please send your comments by September 2, 2014. OMB must receive your comments by this date in order to act on the ICR.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments should reference Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) Docket Number FMCSA-2014-0195. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the attention of the Desk Officer, Department of Transportation/Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and sent via electronic mail to [oir\\_submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir_submission@omb.eop.gov), or faxed to (202) 395-6974, or mailed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Robert Redmond, Office of Safety Programs, Commercial Driver's License Division (MC-ESL), Department of Transportation, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, West Building 6th Floor, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC, 20590-0001. Telephone: 202-366-5014; email: [robert.redmond@dot.gov](mailto:robert.redmond@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Commercial Driver Licensing and Test Standards.

*OMB Control Number:* 2126-0011.

*Type of Request:* Revision of a currently-approved information collection.

*Respondents:* Drivers with a commercial learner's permit (CLP) or commercial driver's license (CDL) and State driver licensing agencies (SDLAs).

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 11,410,100 driver respondents and 17,900,986 State respondents.

*Estimated Time per Response:* Drivers: 16.29 minutes per response and States: 1.86 minutes per response.

*Expiration Date:* August 31, 2014.

*Frequency of Response:* Variable.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 3,651,867 hours.

The information collection is comprised of twelve components:

(1) *State Recording of Medical Examiner's Certificate Information:* Approximately 69% of the 2.96 million interstate CDL holders would renew their medical certification every 2 years. Approximately 31% of the 2.96 million interstate CDL holders would renew their medical certification every year as a condition of a medical variance (i.e., an exemption, Skill Performance Evaluation (SPE) certificate or pilot program) or their employer requires another examination. It takes approximately 2 minutes to record the medical examiner's certificate information on the CDLIS driver record.

FMCSA estimates that there are 657,000 new drivers (5% of the current total of 13.14 million active CDL driver records) who would obtain a CDL every year and that 74% of these new 657,000 CDL holders, or 486,180 new CDL holders would be engaged in interstate commerce.

The number of existing CDL holders who would need to renew and submit a copy of their medical examiner's certificate to the State would be 2.96 million CDL holders engaged in interstate commerce. Since 31% of the 2.96 million interstate CDL holders would need to submit a copy of their medical examiner's certificate to the State every year as a condition of their medical variance or their new employer requires another examination, the total number of renewal submittals (responses) for a 2-year cycle would be 3.88 million (2.96 million  $\times$  1.31 = 3.88 million). The annual submittal of medical examiner's certificates to the State would be 2.43 million annual responses (3.88 million/2 years + 486,180 new drivers = 2.43 million).

FMCSA estimates a total of 81,000 annual burden hours (2.43 million responses  $\times$  2/60 hours = 81,000) for the States to obtain and record the medical examiner's certificate information on the CDLIS driver record.

(2) *State Recording of the Self Certification of Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) Operation:* All CDL