(1) Are there regulations that have become unnecessary, ineffective, or are no longer justified, and if so what are they (e.g., vessel equipment, manning, or reporting requirements)?

(2) Are there rules or reporting requirements that have become outdated and, if so, how can they be modernized to better accomplish their objective?

(3) Are there requirements (e.g., flagging, certification, or training rules) that could be streamlined, reduced, or provided in an easier-to-access manner, such as online training and certification?

(4) Are there rules from different agencies that involve similar, overlapping activities such as training, drills, or inspections that might be consolidated or coordinated to reduce the regulatory burden on the industry?

(5) Are there reporting or other information collection requirements imposed by multiple regulatory agencies that involve similar, overlapping reporting that might be consolidated or coordinated to reduce the regulatory burden on the industry?

(6) Are there rules or reporting requirements imposed by the United States and other countries—especially Canada and Mexico—that are inconsistent with one another to the point of creating barriers to commerce? Are there reporting requirements between Canada and the United States, particularly on the Great Lakes, that are similar to the point that the two countries may be able to share information, to the extent permissible by law, to reduce the burden on industry?

(7) Are there rules that have not achieved their intended purpose or otherwise not operating as well as expected such that a modified, or different approach at lower cost should be considered?

(8) Are there rules that are preventing or creating barriers to the adoption of new, innovative technologies in the maritime industry?

(9) Are there rules preventing, curtailing, or causing the decision to outsource maritime related activities that would otherwise add value to the domestic economy? What types of economically beneficial maritime activities might be impaired if these rules were abolished?

(10) Do agencies currently collect information that they do not need or use effectively?

(11) Are there regulations, reporting requirements, or regulatory processes that are unnecessarily complicated that could be made more efficient?

(12) Are there rules or reporting requirements that have been overtaken by technological developments? Can new technologies be leveraged to modify, streamline, or do away with existing regulatory or reporting requirements?

(13) How can agencies that regulate the maritime sector best reduce regulatory costs while achieving the agencies’ statutory objectives, and how can they best identify those rules that might be modified, streamlined, or repealed?

(14) What factors should agencies consider in selecting and prioritizing rules and reporting requirements for reform?

(15) How can agencies obtain and analyze accurate, objective information and data about the costs and benefits of existing regulations? Are there existing sources of data to use to evaluate the current effects of regulations?

This RFI is meant to inform agencies’ development of regulatory reform proposals. OIRA intends to make all submissions publicly available on www.regulations.gov.

Neomi Rao, Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Institute of Museum and Library Services

Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request, Proposed Collection: IMLS Grant Application Forms

AGENCY: Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review, comment request.

SUMMARY: The Institute of Museum and Library Services announces the following information collection has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. 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. This notice proposes the clearance of the IMLS Grant Application Forms for another three year period.

A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

DATES: Comments must be submitted to the office listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section below on or before June 17, 2018.

OMB is particularly interested in comments that help the agency to:

• 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 submission of responses).

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn.: OMB Desk Officer for Education, Office of Management and Budget, Room 10235, Washington, DC 20503, (202) 395–7316.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Sandra Webb, Director of Grant Policy and Management, Institute of Museum and Library Services, 955 L’Enfant Plaza North SW, Suite 4000, Washington, DC 20024–2135. Dr. Webb can be reached by Telephone: 202–653–4718 Fax: 202–653–4608, or by email at swebb@imls.gov, or by teletype (TTY/TDD) for persons with hearing difficulty at 202–653–4614.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal support for the nation’s libraries and museums. We advance, support, and empower America’s museums, libraries, and related organizations through grant making, research, and policy development. Our vision is a nation where museums and libraries work together to transform the lives of individuals and communities. To learn more, visit www.imls.gov.

Current Actions: To administer the IMLS processes of grants and cooperative agreements, IMLS uses standardized application forms, guidelines and reporting forms for
eligible libraries, museums, and other organizations to apply for its funding. These forms submitted for public review in this Notice are the Program Information Sheet, the Budget Form spreadsheet, and the Digital Product Form. This collection of information from these forms are a part of the IMLS grant application process.


Title: Grant Application Forms.

OMB Number: 3137–0092.

Frequency: Twenty times per year.

Affected Public: Library and Museum grant applicants.

Number of Respondents: 4186.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 4.25 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 54,842.50 hours.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: $1,383,319.09.


Kim Miller,
Grants Management Specialist, Office of Grants Policy and Management.

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AGENCY: Institute of Museum and Library Services, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

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A copy of the proposed information collection request can be obtained by contacting the individual listed below in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

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Current Actions: IMLS is requesting the approval of the Notice of Funding Opportunities for the following grant programs. The National Leadership Grants for Libraries (NLG–L) support projects that address significant challenges and opportunities facing the library and archives fields and that have the potential to advance theory and practice. Successful proposals generate results such as new tools, research findings, models, services, practices, or alliances that will be widely used, adapted, scaled, or replicated to extend the benefits of federal investment.

The Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program (LB21) supports developing a diverse workforce of librarians to better meet the changing learning and information needs of the American public by enhancing the training and professional development of librarians, developing faculty and library leaders, and recruiting and educating the next generation of librarians.

This action is to renew the forms and instructions for the Notice of Funding Opportunities for the next three years.


OMB Number: 3137–0091.

Frequency: Twice per year.

Affected Public: Library organization applicants.

Number of Respondents: 477.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: 45 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 21,465 hours.

Total Annualized Capital/Startup Costs: n/a.

Total Annual Costs: $595,224.45.


Kim Miller,
Grants Management Specialist, Office of Grants Policy and Management.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
Proposal Review Panel for Physics; Notice of Meeting

In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463, as amended), the National Science Foundation (NSF) announces the following meeting:

Name and Committee Code: Proposal Review Panel for the Division of Physics (#1208)—NSCL Site Visit.

Date and Time:

August 7, 2018; 8:00 a.m.–6:50 p.m.
August 8, 2018; 8:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

Place: National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory, 640 S Shaw Lane, East Lansing, MI 48824.