access to and within the Charles River Reservation. Proposed improvements are needed within the project area due to existing roadway deficiencies which include a structurally deficient viaduct on the Interstate 90 mainline and substandard geometric elements on both the mainline and within the interchange; existing safety deficiencies which include substantially higher than average crash rates for the mainline and the interchange; existing mobility deficiencies which include a deficient level-of-service within the interchange, commuter rail limitations, lack of multimodal connections, and inadequate bicycle and pedestrian facilities; and limited multimodal access to the Charles River Reservation.

The EIS will evaluate a range of build alternatives and a no-build alternative. Possible build alternatives include improvements to the roadway network to incorporate improvements to transit, rail, bus, bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The EIS will evaluate potential impacts from construction and operation of the proposed project, including, but not limited to, the following: Traffic impacts, air quality and noise impacts; water quality impacts including stormwater runoff; impacts to waters of the United States; impacts to floodplains; impacts to historic and archaeological resources; socio-economic impacts including environmental justice and limited English proficiency populations; impacts to land use, vegetation and wildlife; impacts to wetlands; impacts to water quality; impacts on human health and safety impacts; and potential displacement of residents and businesses; and impacts to aesthetic and visual resources. Anticipated state and Federal approvals may include, but are not limited to, the following: United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Section 404 of the Clean Water Act permit, USACE Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act Permit, United States Coast Guard (USCG) Section 9 Bridge Permit, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Section 401 Water Quality Certification, MassDEP Chapter 91 License, MassDEP Wetlands Protection Act Permit, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act consultation, and Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act evaluation. The project will comply with the Clean Air Act, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act, and Executive Order 12898 “Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations” and other applicable state and Federal laws. Cooperating Agencies identified include the USACE, USCG, U.S. Department of Transportation’s Federal Transit Administration, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, MassDEP, and the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation.

Public involvement is a critical component of the project development process and will continue throughout the development of the EIS. All individuals and organizations expressing interest in the project will be able to participate in the process through various public outreach opportunities. These opportunities include, but are not limited to public meetings and hearing(s), the project website (https://www.mass.gov/allston-multimodal-project), and press releases. Public notice will be given of the time and place of all public meetings and hearing(s). To ensure that the full range of issues related to this proposed project are addressed, and all significant issues are identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Scoping input on the proposed project will be invited during the scoping review period and through public informational meetings, which will occur after release of the Scoping Report. Advanced notice of release of the Scoping Report and date, time and location of the public informational meetings will be provided to the public through the project website, public notices, and press releases. Such comments or questions concerning this notice, the scope of the EIS including the purpose and need, alternatives to be considered, and impacts to be evaluated may be submitted via the project website or in writing to FHWA or MassDOT at the addresses provided above.

Issued on: October 9, 2019.
Jeffrey McEwen,
Massachusetts Division Administrator,
Federal Highway Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Transit Administration
[FTA Docket No. FTA 2019–0021]
Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Requirements (ICRs) abstracted below have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describe the nature of the information collection and their expected burdens.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 18, 2019.

ADDRESSES: All written comments must refer to the docket number that appears at the top of this document and be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503, Attention: FTA Desk Officer. Alternatively, comments may be sent via email to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Office of Management and Budget, at the following address: oira_submissions@omb.eop.gov.

Comments Are Invited On: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tia Swain, Office of Administration, Management Planning Division, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Mail Stop TAD–10, Washington, DC 20590 (202) 366–0354 or tia.swain@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104–13, Section 2, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified as revised at 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to issue two notices seeking public comment on information collection activities before OMB may approve paperwork packages. 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.5, 1320.8(d)(1), 1320.12. On July 18, 2019, FTA published a 60-day notice (84 FR 34475) in the Federal Register soliciting comments on the ICR that the agency was seeking OMB approval. FTA received no comments from that publication. Accordingly, FTA announces that these information collection activities have been re-
evaluated and certified under 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and forwarded to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12(c).

Before OMB decides whether to approve these proposed collections of information, it must provide 30 days for public comment. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b); 5 CFR 1320.12(d). Federal law requires OMB to approve or disapprove paperwork packages between 30 and 60 days after the 30-day notice is published. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b)–(c); 5 CFR 1320.12(d); see also 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. OMB believes that the 30-day notice informs the regulated community to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to digest public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, respondents should submit their respective comments to OMB within 30 days of publication to best ensure having their full effect. 5 CFR 1320.12(c); see also 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995.

The summaries below describe the nature of the information collection requirements (ICRs) and the expected burden. The requirements are being submitted for clearance by OMB as required by the PRA.

Title: National Transit Database 49 U.S.C. Section 5335(a)(b).

OMB Control Number: 2132–0008.

Type of Request: Renewal of a previously approved information collection.

Abstract: 49 U.S.C. 5335(a) and (b) requires the Secretary of Transportation to maintain a reporting system, using a uniform system of accounts, to collect financial and operating information from the nation’s public transportation systems. Congress created the NTD to be the repository of transit data for the nation to support public transportation service planning. FTA has established the NTD to meet these requirements, and has collected data for over 35 years. The NTD is comprised of four modules, Rural, Urban Annual, Monthly, and Safety Event Reporting. FTA continues to seek ways to reduce the burden of NTD reporting. FTA has added upload/download capabilities to the reporting system and greatly reduced the sampling required to certify Automatic Passenger Counters for use in reporting data to the NTD.

Respondents: State or local governmental entities that operate a public transportation service.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 2,334.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 327,524.

Frequency: Annual.

Nadine Pemberton,
Director Office of Management Planning.
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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA 2019–0022]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Requirements (ICRs) abstracted below have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describe the nature of the information collection and their expected burdens.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before November 18, 2019.

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Comments Are Invited On: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register.

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Accordingly, DOT announces that these information collection activities have been re-evaluated and certified under 5 CFR 1320.5(a) and forwarded to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12(c).

Before OMB decides whether to approve these proposed collections of information, it must provide 30 days for public comment. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b); 5 CFR 1320.12(d). Federal law requires OMB to approve or disapprove paperwork packages between 30 and 60 days after the 30-day notice is published. 44 U.S.C. 3507(b)–(c); 5 CFR 1320.12(d); see also 60 FR 44978, 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. OMB believes that the 30-day notice informs the regulated community to file relevant comments and affords the agency adequate time to digest public comments before it renders a decision. 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995. Therefore, respondents should submit their respective comments to OMB within 30 days of publication to best ensure having their full effect. 5 CFR 1320.12(c); see also 60 FR 44983, Aug. 29, 1995.

The summaries below describe the nature of the information collection requirements (ICRs) and the expected burden. The requirements are being submitted for clearance by OMB as required by the PRA.

Title: National Transit Asset Management (TAM) System.

OMB Control Number: 2132–0579.

Type of Request: Renewal of a previously approved information collection.

Abstract: Transit asset management (TAM) is a business model that prioritizes funding based on the condition of transit assets to achieve and maintain a state of good repair for the nation’s public transportation assets. Federal requirements for transit asset management applies to all recipients and sub-recipients of chapter 53 funds.