SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Section 103(h) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), 30 U.S.C. 813(h), authorizes the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) to collect information necessary to carry out its duty in protecting the safety and health of miners. Further, section 101(a) of the Mine Act, 30 U.S.C. 811, authorizes the Secretary of Labor (Secretary) to develop, promulgate, and revise as may be appropriate, improved mandatory health or safety standards for the protection of life and prevention of injuries in coal and metal and nonmetal mines.

MSHA works to prevent death, illness, and injury from mining and to promote safe and healthful workplaces for U.S. miners. Section 115 of the Mine Act, as amended, requires mine operators to have a health and safety training program. Under section 503 of the Mine Act, as amended, the Secretary may award grants to States to assist in developing and enforcing State mining laws and regulations, to improve State workers’ compensation and mining occupational disease laws and programs, to develop and enforce health and safety conditions in the Nation’s mines through Federal-State coordination and cooperation.

Grantees are required by U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) regulations to submit project and final reports. Grantees are also required to submit final reports no later than 90 days after the end of the grant period.

Technical Project Reports: A grantee submits a technical project report to MSHA no later than 30 days after quarterly deadlines. Technical project reports provide both quantitative and qualitative information and a narrative assessment of performance for the preceding 3-month period. This includes a comparison of the current grant progress against the overall grant goals. Between reporting dates, the grantee informs MSHA of significant developments or problems affecting the organization’s ability to accomplish the work.

Final Reports: At the end of the grant period, each grantee provides a project summary of its technical project reports, an evaluation report, and a close-out financial report. These final reports are due no later than 90 days after the end of the 12-month performance period.

II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Performance Reports for MSHA Grants. MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

• Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
• Evaluate the accuracy of MSHA’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
• Suggest methods to 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.

Background documents related to this information collection request are available at https://regulations.gov and in DOL–MSHA located at 201 12th Street South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, VA 22202–5452. Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section of this notice from the previous collection of information.

III. Current Actions

This information collection request concerns provisions for Performance Reports for MSHA Grants. MSHA has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information collection request from the previous information collection request:

Type of Review: Extension, without change, of a currently approved collection.

Agency: Mine Safety and Health Administration.
OMB Number: 1219–0154.
Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.
Number of Respondents: 50.
Frequency: On occasion.
Number of Responses: 250.
Annual Burden Hours: 625 hours.
Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost: $0.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the proposed information collection request; they will become a matter of public record and will be available at https://www.reginfo.gov.

Roslyn B. Fontaine, Certifying Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Veterans’ Employment and Training Service

Advisory Committee on Veterans’ Employment, Training and Employer Outreach (ACVETEO): Meeting

AGENCY: Veterans’ Employment and Training Service (VETS), Department of Labor (DOL).

ACTION: Notice of virtual open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the ACVETEO. The ACVETEO will discuss the DOL core programs and services that assist veterans seeking employment and raise employer awareness as to the advantages of hiring veterans. There will be an opportunity for individuals or organizations to address the committee. Any individual or organization that wishes to do so should contact Mr. Gregory Green at ACVETEO@dol.gov. Additional information regarding the Committee, including its charter, current membership list, annual reports, meeting minutes, and meeting updates may be found at https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/about/advisorycommittee. This notice also describes the functions of the ACVETEO. Notice of this meeting is required under Section 10(a) (2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. This document is intended to notify the general public.

DATES: Thursday, January 14, 2021 beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at approximately 12:00 p.m. (EST).

ADDRESSES: This ACVETEO meeting will be held via WebEx video and teleconference. Meeting information will be posted at the link below under the Meeting Updates tab. https://www.dol.gov/agencies/vets/about/advisorycommittee

Notice of Intent To Attend the Meeting: All meeting participants should submit a notice of intent to attend by Monday, January 4, 2021, via email to Mr. Gregory Green at
ACVETEO@dol.gov, subject line “January 2021 ACVETEO Meeting.”

Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, and/or materials in alternative format) should notify the Advisory Committee no later than Monday, January 4, 2021 by contacting Mr. Gregory Green at ACVETEO@dol.gov. Requests made after this date will be reviewed, but availability of the requested accommodations cannot be guaranteed.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Gregory Green, Designated Federal Official for the ACVETEO, ACVETEO@dol.gov, (202) 693–4734.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ACVETEO is a Congressionally mandated advisory committee authorized under Title 38, U.S. Code, Section 4110 and subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, as amended. The ACVETEO is responsible for: assessing employment and training needs of veterans; determining the extent to which the programs and activities of the U.S. Department of Labor meet these needs; assisting to conduct outreach to employers seeking to hire veterans; making recommendations to the Secretary, through the Assistant Secretary for Veterans’ Employment and Training Service, with respect to outreach activities and employment and training needs of veterans; and carrying out such other activities necessary to make required reports and recommendations. The ACVETEO meets at least quarterly.

Agenda

9:00 a.m. Welcome and remarks, John Lowry, Assistant Secretary, Veterans’ Employment and Training Service
9:10 a.m. Administrative Business, Gregory Green, Designated Federal Official
9:15 a.m. Discussion on Fiscal Year 2020 Report Recommendations, Committee Chairperson, Kayla Williams
9:30 a.m. Update to Fiscal Year 2019 Report Recommendations
10:00 a.m. Subcommittee Discussion/Assignments, Committee Chairperson, Kayla Williams
11:00 a.m. Briefing on Fiscal Year 2021 DOL/VETS Priorities
11:30 a.m. Public Forum, Gregory Green, Designated Federal Official
12:00 p.m. Adjourn

Signed in Washington, DC, this 14th day of December 2020.

John Lowry,
Assistant Secretary, Veterans’ Employment and Training Service.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request; National Science Foundation-Managed Honor Awards

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Submission for OMB review; comment request.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) has submitted the following information collection requirement to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. This is the second notice for public comment; the first was published in the Federal Register, and no comments were received. NSF is forwarding the proposed submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance simultaneously with the publication of this second notice.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PAReview. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314, or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

Copies of the submission may be obtained by calling 703–292–7556.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NSF may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Title of Collection: National Science Foundation-Managed Honor Awards.

OMB Number: 3145–0035.

Type of Request: Extension of approval of an information collection.

Proposed Project: The National Science Foundation (NSF) administers several external awards, among them the President’s National Medal of Science, the Alan T. Waterman Award, the National Science Board (NSB) Vannevar Bush Award, the NSF Public Service Award, the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM) program, and the Presidential Awards for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) program.

In 2003, to comply with E-government requirements, the nomination processes were converted to electronic submission through NSF’s FastLane system or via other electronic systems as described in the individual nomination process.

Individuals can now prepare nominations and references through www.fastlane.doe.gov/honawards; for all but the PAESMEM and PAEMST awards. First-time users must register on the FastLane website using the link found in the upper right-hand corner above the “Log In” box before accessing all but the PAESMEM and PAEMST honorary award categories. For PAEMST nominations and applications are submitted on the PAEMST portal at www.paemst.org. For PAESMEM, nominations and applications are submitted on the PAESMEM portal at www.paesmem.net.

Use of the Information: The Foundation has the following honorary award programs:

• President’s National Medal of Science. Statutory authority for the President’s National Medal of Science is contained in 42 U.S.C. 1881 (P.L. 86–209), which established the award and stated that “(t)he President shall . . . award the Medal on the recommendations received from the National Academy of Sciences or on the basis of such other information and evidence as . . . appropriate.” Subsequently, Executive Order 10961 specified procedures for the Award by establishing a National Medal of Science Committee which would “receive recommendations made by any other nationally representative scientific or engineering organization.” On the basis of these recommendations, the Committee was directed to select its candidates and to forward its recommendations to the President.

In 1982, to comply with these directives, the Committee initiated a solicitation form letter to invite these nominations. In 1979, the Committee