DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA–2021–0004; OMB No. 1660–0112]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; FEMA Preparedness Grants: Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)


ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on an extension, with change, of a currently approved information collection. Three new forms are added to the collection—FEMA TSGP Public Transit Risk Assessment Methodology (PT–RAM), TSGP PT–RAM Gap Analysis, and TSGP PT–RAM Implementation Plan, as these are new forms to the FEMA 089–4 Collection. TSGP is adding these forms to the collection for project risk analysis connected to the purpose of the grant program. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP) which is a FEMA grant program that focuses on transportation infrastructure protection activities.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before May 11, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments at www.regulations.gov under Docket ID FEMA–2021–0004. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice that is available via the link in the footer of www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laila Ouhamou, Branch Chief, FEMA, 202–786–9461, Laila.Ouhamou@fema.dhs.gov. You may contact the Records Management Division for copies of the proposed collection of information at email address: FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The TSGP is a FEMA grant program that focuses on transportation infrastructure protection activities. The collection of information for TSGP is mandated by Section 1406, Title XIV of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (6 U.S.C. 1135(c)) which authorizes the Secretary to determine the requirements for grant recipients, including application requirements.

Collection of Information

Title: FEMA Preparedness Grants: Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP).

Type of Information Collection: Modification of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Number: 1660–0112.


Abstract: The TSGP is an important component of the Department’s effort to enhance the security of the Nation’s critical infrastructure. The program provides funds to owners and operators of transit systems to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, State and local government.

Number of Respondents: 123.

Number of Responses: 738.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 15,375.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: The estimated annual cost to respondent operations and maintenance costs for technical services is

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<td>The Honorable Betsy Price, Mayor, City of Fort Worth, 200 Texas Street, Fort Worth, TX 76102.</td>
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<td>The Honorable Susan F. Lascolette, Chair, Goochland County Board of Supervisors, P.O. Box 10, Goochland, VA 23063.</td>
<td>Goochland County Environmental and Development Review Department, 1800 Sandy Hook Road, Goochland, VA 23063.</td>
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<td>Mr. John A. Vithoulkas, Manager, Henrico County, P.O. Box 90775, Henrico, VA 23273.</td>
<td>Henrico County Department of Public Works, 4305 East Parham Road, Henrico, VA 23228.</td>
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<td>Unincorporated areas of Loudoun County (20–03–1100P).</td>
<td>Mr. Tim Hemstreet, Loudoun County Administrator, P.O. Box 7000, Leesburg, VA 20177.</td>
<td>Loudoun County Office of Mapping and Geographic Information, 1 Hanson Street, Southeast, Leesburg, VA 20175.</td>
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<td>City of Manassas (20–03–0768P).</td>
<td>The Honorable Harry J. Parrish, II, Mayor, City of Manassas, 9027 Center Street, Manassas, VA 20110.</td>
<td>Public Works Department, 8500 Public Works Drive, Manassas, VA 20110.</td>
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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA–2020–0016]

Meeting To Implement Pandemic Response Voluntary Agreement Under Section 708 of the Defense Production Act


ACTION: Announcement of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is holding a series of meetings to implement the Voluntary Agreement for the Manufacture and Distribution of Critical Healthcare Resources Necessary to Respond to a Pandemic.

DATES: The first meeting took place on Thursday, March 11, 2021, from 3 to 5 p.m. Eastern Time (ET). The second meeting took place on Wednesday, March 10, 2021, from 3 to 5 p.m. ET. The third meeting took place on Thursday, March 11, 2021, from 3 to 5 p.m. ET. A fourth meeting will take place on Thursday, March 18, 2021, from 3 to 5 p.m. ET.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Glenn, Office of Business, Industry, Infrastructure Integration, via email at OB3I@fema.dhs.gov or via phone at (202) 212–1666.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is provided as required by section 708(h)(8) of the Defense Production Act (DPA), 50 U.S.C. 4558(h)(8), and consistent with 44 CFR part 332.

The DPA authorizes the making of “voluntary agreements and plans of action” with, among others, representatives of industry and business to help provide for the national defense.

The President’s authority to facilitate voluntary agreements was delegated to the Secretary of Homeland Security with respect to responding to the spread of COVID–19 within the United States in Executive Order 13911. The Secretary of Homeland Security has further delegated this authority to the FEMA Administrator.

On August 17, 2020, after the appropriate consultations with the Attorney General and the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission, FEMA completed and published in the Federal Register a “Voluntary Agreement for the Manufacture and Distribution of Critical Healthcare Resources Necessary to Respond to a Pandemic” (Voluntary Agreement).

Unless terminated prior to that date, the Voluntary Agreement is effective until August 17, 2025, and may be extended subject to additional approval by the Attorney General after consultation with the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission. The Agreement may be used to prepare for or respond to any pandemic, including COVID–19, during that time.

On December 7, 2020, the first plan of action under the Voluntary Agreement—the Plan of Action to Establish a National Strategy for the Manufacture, Allocation, and Distribution of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to Respond to COVID–19 (Plan of Action)—was finalized. The Plan of Action established several sub-committees under the Voluntary Agreement, focusing on different aspects of the Plan of Action.

These meetings were or will be chaired by the FEMA Administrator or his delegate, and attended by the Attorney General or his delegate and the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission or his delegate. In implementing the Voluntary Agreement, FEMA adheres to all procedural requirements of 50 U.S.C. 4558 and 44 CFR part 332.

Meeting Objectives: The objectives of all of the meetings are as follows:

1. Gather committee Participants and Attendees to ask targeted questions for situational awareness.
2. Establish priorities for COVID–19 PPE under the Voluntary Agreement.
3. Identify tasks that should be completed under the appropriate Sub-Committee.
4. Identify information gaps and areas that merit sharing (both from FEMA to the private sector and vice versa).

Meetings Closed to the Public: By default, the DPA requires meetings held to implement a voluntary agreement or plan of action be open to the public. However, attendance may be limited if the Sponsor of the voluntary agreement finds that the matter to be discussed at a meeting falls within the purview of matters described in 5 U.S.C. 552(c). The Sponsor of the Voluntary Agreement, the FEMA Administrator, found that these meetings to implement the Voluntary Agreement involve matters which fall within the purview of matters described in 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(c) and the meetings will therefore be closed to the public.

Specifically, these meetings to implement the Voluntary Agreement may require participants to disclose trade secrets or commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential. Disclosure of such information allows for meetings to be closed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(c)(4). In addition, the success of the Voluntary Agreement depends wholly on the willing and enthusiastic participation of private sector participants. Failure to close these meetings could have a strong chilling effect on participation by the private sector and cause a substantial risk that sensitive information will be prematurely released to the public.

3 See 50 U.S.C. 4558(c)(1).
4 See 85 FR 18403 (Apr. 1, 2020).
5 DHS Delegation 09052, Rev. 00.1 (Apr. 1, 2020); DHS Delegation Number 09052 Rev. 00 (Jan. 3, 2017).
6 See also See 50 U.S.C. 4558(h)(7).
7 See also 50 U.S.C. 4558(h)(7).


7 “The individual designated by the President in subsection (c)(2) of section 708 of the DPA to administer the voluntary agreement, or plan of action,” 50 U.S.C. 4558(h)(7).