

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA–2020–0041; OMB No. 1660–0047]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Request for Federal Assistance Form—How To Process Mission Assignments in Federal Disaster Operations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public to take this opportunity to comment on a reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved information collection for which approval has expired. FEMA will submit the information collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The submission will describe the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (*i.e.*, the time, effort and resources used by respondents to respond) and cost, and the actual data collection instruments FEMA will use.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before April 22, 2021.

ADDRESSES: 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/PRAMain. 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: Pat Foster, (617) 913–6140 or FEMA-MissionAssignments@fema.dhs.gov. Requests for copies of the information collection should be made to Director, Information Management Division, via email at FEMA-Information-Collections-Management@fema.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: According to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*, FEMA is authorized to provide assistance before,

during, and after a disaster has impacted a State, Tribe, or Territory. For a major disaster, the Stafford Act authorizes FEMA to direct any agency to utilize its existing authorities and resources in support of State, Tribe, and Territory assistance response and recovery efforts. *See* 42 U.S.C. 5170(a)(1). For an emergency, the Stafford Act authorizes FEMA to direct any agency to utilize its existing authorities and resources in support of State and local emergency assistance efforts. *See* 42 U.S.C. 5192(a)(1). FEMA may task other Federal agencies to assist during disasters and to support emergency efforts by State and local governments by issuing a mission assignment to the appropriate agency. *See* 44 CFR 206.5, 206.208. FEMA collects the information necessary to determine what resources are needed and if a mission assignment is appropriate. The information collected explains which States, Tribes, Territories require assistance, what needs to be accomplished, details any resource shortfalls, and explains what assistance is required to meet these needs.

This proposed information collection previously published in the **Federal Register** on December 31, 2020, at 85 FR 86945 with a 60-day public comment period. No comments were received. This information collection expired on March 1, 2021. FEMA is requesting a reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved information collection for which approval has expired. The purpose of this notice is to notify the public that FEMA will submit the information collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance.

Collection of Information

Title: Request for Federal Assistance Form—How to Process Mission Assignments in Federal Disaster Operations.

Type of information collection: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

OMB Number: 1660–0047.

Form Titles and Numbers: FEMA Form 010–0–7, Resource Request Form; FEMA Form 010–0–8, Mission Assignment; FEMA Form 010–0–8A, Mission Assignment Task Order.

Abstract: If a State, Tribe, or Territory determines that its capacity to respond to a disaster exceeds its available resources, it may submit to FEMA a request that the work be accomplished by a Federal agency. This request documents how the response requirements exceed the capacity for the State to respond to the situation on its

own and what type of assistance is required. FEMA reviews this information and may issue a mission assignment to the appropriate Federal agency to assist the State in its response to the situation.

Affected Public: State, Tribal, or Territorial Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 40.

Estimated Number of Responses: 19,220.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,559 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: \$475,003.

Estimated Respondents’ Operation and Maintenance Costs: 0.

Estimated Respondents’ Capital and Start-Up Costs: 0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: \$41,643.

Comments

Comments may be submitted as indicated in the **ADDRESSES** caption above. Comments are solicited to (a) evaluate whether the proposed data collection is necessary for the proper performance of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) 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; (c) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. CISA–2020–0010]

SAFECOM Membership Questionnaire

AGENCY: Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

ACTION: 30-Day notice and request for comments; NEW information collection, 1670–NEW.

SUMMARY: The Emergency Communications Division (ECD) within the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) will submit the following Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. CISA previously published a notice about this ICR, in the **Federal Register** on September 25, 2020 for a 60-day public comment period. In response, three comments from two commenters were received. Two were not germane to the collection of information and the third requested additional information regarding SAFECOM available at <https://www.cisa.gov/safecom>. The purpose of this notice is to allow additional 30-days for public comments.

DATES: The comment period for the information collection request published on September 25, 2020 at 85 FR 60483 is extended. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until April 22, 2021.

ADDRESSES: 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/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

The Office of Management and Budget is particularly interested in comments which:

1. 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;
2. 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;
3. Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
4. 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 submissions of responses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If additional information is required contact: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS), Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)—Robert Rhoads c/o Ralph Barnett III at (703) 705–6130, SAFECOMGovernance@hq.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 16, 2018, Congress passed Public Law 115–278, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101 *et seq.*), enacted and authorized the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Statue 4173 (f)(3) under title XVIII mandated CISA to construct the Emergency Communications Division as one of three components. Furthermore, Statue 4173 (f)(3) calls for the Emergency Communications Division to be headed by the Assistant Director. Statue 4175 (c)(1)(2) (6 U.S.C. 571 note.) re-designated the Office of Emergency Communications to become the Emergency Communications Division, headed by the Assistant Director. In accordance with Statue 4179 1801 (6 U.S.C. 571)(b) title XVIII, the Assistant Director for the Emergency Communications Division is required to report to the Director of CISA. Section 2202 (6 U.S.C. 652)(b)(1) specifies for the head of CISA to be re-designated as the Director, who is required to report to the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security.

CISA enhances public safety interoperable communications at all levels of government to help partners across the country develop their emergency communications capabilities. Working with stakeholders across the country, CISA conducts extensive, nationwide outreach to support and promote the ability of emergency response providers and relevant government officials to continue to communicate in the event of a natural disaster, act of terrorism, or other man-made disaster. Public Law 109–296, Title VI, 671(b), Title XVIII, 1801(c)(2) mandates DHS through CISA to administrate and manage SAFECOM, a state, local, tribal, and territorial stakeholder-driven public safety communications program. In an effort to resolve major communications issues identified during the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, SAFECOM was created as a Presidential E-Government Initiative to improve interoperability, allowing emergency responders to communicate more effectively before, during, and after emergencies and disasters.

The SAFECOM Membership Questionnaire is an internal SAFECOM document disseminated only to active SAFECOM Members. SAFECOM uses the Questionnaire to identify membership gaps, obtain updated information on SAFECOM’s membership body (e.g., public safety communications experience, accolades, acquired skills/certifications, etc.), update SAFECOM marketing materials, and to assist SAFECOM when responding General Accounting Office (GAO) inquiries.

The DHS/CISA/ECD will disseminate the SAFECOM Membership Questionnaire to active SAFECOM Members as a fillable PDF document. SAFECOM intends to use the Questionnaire to examine its Membership body, identify membership gaps obtain updated information on SAFECOM’s membership body (e.g., public safety communications experience, accolades, acquired skills/certifications, etc.), update SAFECOM marketing materials, and to assist SAFECOM when responding General Accounting Office (GAO) inquiries.

Analysis

Agency: Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), Emergency Communications Division (ECD).

Title of Collection: SAFECOM Membership Questionnaire.

OMB Control Number: 1670–NEW.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Governments.

Number of Annualized Respondents: 50.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 0.25 hours.

Total Annualized Burden Hours: 12.5 hours.

Total Annualized Respondent Opportunity Cost: \$0.

Total Annualized Respondent Out-of-Pocket: \$0.

Total Annualized Government Cost: \$984.96.

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