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#### V. Authority and Signature

James S. Fredrick, Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 *et seq.*) and Secretary of Labor's Order No. 1-2012 (77 FR 3912).

Signed at Washington, DC.

**James S. Frederick,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request

**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 71 comments from ten organizations were received. NSF is forwarding the proposed renewal 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/PRAMain](http://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:**

Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22314, or send email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto: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). Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling 703-292-7556.

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.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Summary of Comments on the National Science Foundation Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide and NSF's Responses

The draft NSF PAPPG was made available for review by the public on the NSF website at <http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/>. NSF received 71 responses from 10 organizations in response to the First **Federal Register** notice published on December 14, 2020, at 85 FR 80823. All comments have been considered in the development of the proposed version. Please see <http://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/>. A summary of the significant changes and clarifications to the PAPPG has been incorporated into the document.

*Title of Collection:* "National Science Foundation Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide."

*OMB Approval Number:* 3145-0058.

*Type of Request:* Intent to seek approval to extend with revision an information collection for three years.

*Proposed Project:* The National Science Foundation Act of 1950 (Pub. L. 81-507) sets forth NSF's mission and purpose:

"To promote the progress of science; to advance the national health, prosperity, and welfare; to secure the national defense. . . ."

The Act authorized and directed NSF to initiate and support:

- Basic scientific research and research fundamental to the engineering process;
- Programs to strengthen scientific and engineering research potential;
- Science and engineering education programs at all levels and in all the various fields of science and engineering;

- Programs that provide a source of information for policy formulation; and
- Other activities to promote these ends.

NSF's core purpose resonates clearly in everything it does: Promoting achievement and progress in science and engineering and enhancing the potential for research and education to contribute to the Nation. While NSF's vision of the future and the mechanisms it uses to carry out its charges have evolved significantly over the last six decades, its ultimate mission remains the same.

*Use of the Information:* The regular submission of proposals to the Foundation is part of the collection of information and is used to help NSF fulfill this responsibility by initiating and supporting merit-selected research and education projects in all the scientific and engineering disciplines. NSF receives more than 50,000 proposals annually for new projects and makes approximately 11,000 new awards.

Support is made primarily through grants, contracts, and other agreements awarded to approximately 2,000 colleges, universities, academic consortia, nonprofit institutions, and small businesses. The awards are based mainly on merit evaluations of proposals submitted to the Foundation.

The Foundation has a continuing commitment to monitor the operations of its information collection to identify and address excessive reporting burdens as well as to identify any real or apparent inequities based on gender, race, ethnicity, or disability of the proposed principal investigator(s)/project director(s) or the co-principal investigator(s)/co-project director(s).

*Burden on the Public:* It has been estimated that the public expends an average of approximately 120 burden hours for each proposal submitted. Since the Foundation expects to receive approximately 43,500 proposals in FY 2021, an estimated 5,220,000 burden hours will be placed on the public.

The Foundation has based its reporting burden on the review of approximately 43,500 new proposals expected during FY 2021. It has been estimated that anywhere from one hour to 20 hours may be required to review a proposal. We have estimated that approximately 5 hours are required to review an average proposal. Each proposal receives an average of 3 reviews, resulting in approximately 652,500 hours per year.

The information collected on the reviewer background questionnaire (NSF 428A) is used by managers to maintain an automated database of

reviewers for the many disciplines represented by the proposals submitted to the Foundation. Information collected on gender, race, and ethnicity is used in meeting NSF needs for data to permit response to Congressional and other queries into equity issues. These data also are used in the design, implementation, and monitoring of NSF efforts to increase the participation of various groups in science, engineering, and education. The estimated burden for the Reviewer Background Information (NSF 428A) is estimated at 5 minutes per respondent with up to 10,000 potential new reviewers for a total of 833 hours.

The aggregate number of burden hours is estimated to be 5,873,333. The actual burden on respondents has not changed.

Dated: April 29, 2021.

**Suzanne H. Plimpton,**

*Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.*

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## NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

[Docket No.: NTSB-2021-0005]

### Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; [OMB Control No. 3147-0001]

**AGENCY:** National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB).

**ACTION:** 60-Day notice of information collection; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) offers the public and Federal agencies the opportunity to comment regarding the NTSB's intent to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR) seeking reinstatement, with change, of a previously-approved information collection (IC) for which approval for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Control No. 3147-0001 has expired. This 60-Day Notice informs the public and Federal agencies that they may submit comments directly to the NTSB regarding this IC.

**DATES:** Submit written comments regarding this proposed collection of information by July 6, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments, identified by Docket Number (No.) NTSB-2021-0005, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal e-Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.
- *Email:* [rulemaking@ntsb.gov](mailto:rulemaking@ntsb.gov).

- *Fax:* 202-314-6090.

• *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* NTSB, Office of General Counsel, 490 L'Enfant Plaza East SW, Washington DC 20594.

**Instructions:** All submissions in response to this Notice must include Docket No. NTSB-2021-0005. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided.

**Docket:** For access to the docket, including comments received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search under Docket No. NTSB-2021-0005. For a copy of the proposed revised Form 6120.1, email [rulemaking@ntsb.gov](mailto:rulemaking@ntsb.gov) and include "NTSB-2021-0005" in the subject line.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathleen Silbaugh, General Counsel, (202) 314-6080, [rulemaking@ntsb.gov](mailto:rulemaking@ntsb.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NTSB issues Form 6120.1: Pilot/Operator Aircraft Accident/Incident Report to a surviving pilot or operator involved in an aircraft accident or serious incident that the agency intends to investigate. The OMB control number (3147-0001) associated with this form has since expired. Because the agency wishes to continue using the form with revisions, the NTSB plans to submit an Information Collection Request (ICR) seeking reinstatement, with change, of a previously-approved collection for which approval has expired.

Specifically, the NTSB is updating the instructions by revising the address for its Western Pacific Regional (WPR) office, updating which regional office one reports to for accidents occurring in New Mexico and Mississippi, and informing all pilots and operators that the information provided on the form is subject to public release; notably, the agency is also updating the form's certification statement to include that by signing the document, the pilot/operator consents to the public release of the information contained therein.

The NTSB is also requesting additional information in the following sections of the form: Flight Crewmember, Flight Itinerary Information, and Weather Information at the Accident/Incident Site. For the Flight Crewmember section, the agency will include "BasicMed" to the list of options in the medical certification section; a column for "Tailwheel" time in the flight matrix; and blank spaces to provide the number of flight crew and passengers. For the Flight Itinerary Information, the agency is adding "Certificate of Authorization" to the list of Type of Air Traffic Control Clearance/Service. As for the Weather Information

section, the agency is listing "Electronic Flight Bag (EFB)—Application" as an option followed by a blank space for the pilot/operator to specify the name of the electronic application. Moreover, the NTSB is concurrently correcting typographical errors throughout the document and eliminating outdated references to "DUATS" and fuel readings of "100/130" and "115/145."

Prior to submitting the ICR to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1) requires agencies to provide a 60-day Notice in the **Federal Register** and otherwise consult with members of the public and affected agencies. Thus, through this Notice, the NTSB currently is soliciting public comments that include: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the NTSB to perform its mission; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the NTSB to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the IC; and (4) ways to minimize burden without reducing the quality of the IC.

This IC is necessary because the NTSB is statutorily required to promulgate regulations governing the notification and reporting of civil aircraft accidents; to investigate, determine and report on the probable cause of each accident; and to make safety recommendations to prevent similar accidents from occurring in the future. 49 U.S.C. 1131, 1132. In coordination with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), the NTSB is also required to classify accident and safety data and publish such data on a periodic basis. 49 U.S.C. 1119. To fulfill these statutory obligations, the agency must obtain detailed information about the pilot, crew, aircraft, and other circumstances related to an accident or incident at the start of each NTSB investigation. This information allows the agency to: (1) Determine the appropriate course of action in an investigation; (2) make safety recommendations and facilitate safety improvements in the aviation industry; and (3) classify and publish accident and safety data.

Since the NTSB is the only Federal agency charged with investigating aircraft accidents and incidents, and has priority over all other agencies in this role, the NTSB will be the only agency distributing this accident and incident report form; thus, this NTSB form is not duplicative of any other IC. While under 49 U.S.C. 1132(c), the FAA participates in NTSB aircraft accident investigations and may oversee some investigative activities on behalf of the NTSB, the NTSB's priority over aircraft accident