of the date of submission of such maps, a description of projected aircraft operations, and the ways in which such operations will affect such maps. The Act requires such maps to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties in the local community, government agencies, and persons using the airport.

An airport operator who has submitted such noise exposure maps that are found by FAA to be in compliance with the requirements of 14 CFR part 150, promulgated pursuant to Title I of the Act, may submit a noise compatibility program for FAA approval that sets forth the measures the operator has taken, or proposes, for the introduction of additional non-compatible uses.

The FAA has completed its review of the noise exposure map and related descriptions submitted by Bridgeport, Connecticut. The specific maps under consideration were “Existing Conditions (2021) Noise Exposure Map” (Figure 9 on page 38) and “Forecast Conditions (2026) Noise Exposure Map” (Figure 10 on page 40). The FAA has determined that these maps for Sikorsky Memorial Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements. This determination is effective on June 8, 2021.

FAA’s determination on an airport operator’s noise exposure maps is limited to a finding that the maps were developed in accordance with the procedures contained in Appendix A of 14 CFR part 150. Such determination does not constitute approval of the applicant’s data, information or plans, or a commitment to approve a noise compatibility program or to fund the implementation of that program.

If questions arise concerning the precise relationship of specific properties to noise exposure contours depicted on a noise exposure map submitted under Section 103 of the Act, it should be noted that the FAA is not involved in any way in determining the relative locations of specific properties with regard to the depicted noise contours, or in interpreting the noise exposure maps to resolve questions concerning, for example, which properties should be covered by the provisions of Section 107 of the Act. These functions are inseparable from the ultimate land use control and planning responsibilities of local government. These local responsibilities are not changed in any way under Part 150 or through FAA’s review of a noise exposure map. Therefore, the responsibility for the detailed overlaying of noise exposure contours onto the map depicting properties on the surface rests exclusively with the airport operator that submitted the map or with those public agencies and planning agencies with which consultation is required under Section 103 of the Act. The FAA has relied on the certification by the airport operator, under Section 150.21 of 14 CFR part 150, that the statutorily required consultation has been accomplished.

Copies of the noise exposure maps and of the FAA’s evaluation of the maps are available for examination at the following locations:

Sikorsky Memorial Airport, 100 Great Meadow Road, Stratford, Connecticut 06615

Federal Aviation Administration, New England Region, Airports Division, 1200 District Avenue, Burlington, Massachusetts 01803

Questions may be directed to the individual named above under the heading: FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Issued in Burlington, Massachusetts on June 8, 2021.

Julie Selssam-Wilps,
Deputy Division Director, FAA New England Region, Airports Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Highway Administration

Notice of Intent To Prepare a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement: Milwaukee County

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that a supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) will be prepared for a proposed freeway corridor improvement project on I–94 in Milwaukee County, Wisconsin.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Bethaney Bacher-Grescock,
Environmental Program and Project Specialist, FHWA Wisconsin Division Office, City Center West, 525 Junction Road, Suite 8000, Madison, WI 53717; email bethaney.bacher-grescock@dot.gov; telephone: (608) 662–2119.

Joshua LeVeque, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Project Manager, WisDOT SE-Region Office, 141 NW Barstow Street, P.O. Box 798, Waukesha, WI 53180; email joshua.levague@dot.wi.gov; telephone: (414) 750–1468.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHWA, in cooperation with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT), will prepare a SEIS in accordance with 23 CFR 771.130 for proposed improvements along approximately 3.5 miles of I–94 (70th Street–16th Street) in Milwaukee County, WI. The project includes the following interchanges: 68th Street/70th Street, Hawley Road, Mitchell Boulevard, the Stadium Interchange (I–94/WSI 175/Miller Park Way), 35th Street, and 25th/26th/28th Street. The Blumemound Road/Wisconsin Avenue/ Wels Street interchange with WIS 175 is also included. The purpose of the project remains the same as the original EIS: To address the deteriorated condition of I–94, obsolete roadway and bridge design, existing and future traffic demand, and high crash rates. The SEIS will evaluate and provide additional analysis, if needed, on any new or changed impacts to the human and natural environment since the approval of the January 29, 2016 final EIS (FEIS). For example, potential changes in study area traffic patterns resulting from the pandemic, or potential changes in traffic patterns resulting from the construction of, or may result from, the identification of funding for transportation projects identified in the regional transportation improvement plan for the area. Also, as identified in the original EIS, FHWA and WisDOT propose funding for the Milwaukee County East-West Bus Rapid Transit project as traffic mitigation during the construction of the I–94 project.

The SEIS will follow the same process and format as the original EIS (i.e., draft, final, record of decision (ROD)), except that scoping is not required. Per 40 CFR 1506.13, the SEIS will follow Council on Environmental Quality regulations in effect prior to September 14, 2020. The original EIS and other project documents will be available on the I–94 project website http://www.wisconsindot.gov/94eastwest.

Public involvement is a critical component of the project development process and will occur throughout the development of the SEIS. The draft SEIS will be made available for public and agency review and comment prior to the public hearing. After public review of the draft SEIS and public hearing, FHWA and WisDOT will issue a final SEIS and ROD. The final SEIS and ROD may be issued as one combined document pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 139(n)(2) and 23 CFR 771.124, unless criteria are met for issuing the documents separately.

To ensure that the full range of issues related to the proposed action are
identified, comments and suggestions are invited from all interested parties. Comments or questions concerning this proposed action can be directed to the FHWA or WisDOT contacts listed above.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program Number 20.205, Highway Planning and Construction. The regulations implementing Executive Order 12372 regarding intergovernmental consultation on Federal programs and activities apply to this program.)

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Bethaney L. Bacher-Gresock, Environmental Program and Project Specialist, Federal Highway Administration, Madison Wisconsin.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration


Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) 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. See 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. On March 15, 2021, FRA published a 60-day notice in the Federal Register soliciting comment on the ICR for which it is now seeking OMB approval. See 86 FR 14359. FRA received two comments in response to this 60-day notice.

The Vermont Rail Action Network expressed its concerns to FRA about the accuracy of the law enforcement agency data proposed to be collected on FRA F 6180.178, specifically the data on race, ethnicity, and to a lesser extent, age. The advocacy group argues that problematic policing practices will result in FRA having an inaccurate picture of those who trespass along railroad rights-of-way in the United States because it asserts that the law enforcement data will be distorted towards a higher proportion of trespassers who are African American.

FRA has considered Vermont Rail Action Network’s feedback, but believes that collecting demographic information is important to its goals of reducing the annual number of injuries and fatalities arising from trespassing activities. FRA plans to utilize the information collected primarily to develop targeted outreach campaigns to dissuade individuals from trespassing. Prior to the creation of FRA F 6180.178, FRA conducted extensive interviews with law enforcement agencies and determined that this standard demographic data would allow FRA and its partners to create more impactful educational anti-trespassing campaigns through outreach to demographic groups that have been observed by law enforcement personnel trespassing along railroad rights-of-way.

The collection of this demographic information may also allow FRA to better carry out the goals of the Biden-Harris Administration’s Executive Order 13985 on Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities through the Federal Government and DOT’s commitments in its Equity and Access Policy Statement. By gathering more demographic data, FRA will be better able to determine whether communities that are underserved, marginalized, or adversely affected by persistent poverty and inequality have a disproportionate number of observed trespassing incidents that necessitate new or enhanced outreach efforts.

Utilizing the information collection as a whole, FRA can then, with its outreach partners, such as Operation Lifesaver and Safe Kids Worldwide, direct future trespasser prevention campaigns to all communities with a high number of observed trespassing incidents and fashion these efforts to maximize their effectiveness.

FRA received another comment in response to this 60-day notice from Dr. Rapik Saat, expressing his support for this ICR and suggesting that FRA collect information related to trespassers’ socioeconomic conditions such as occupation and income level. At the present time, FRA does not plan to collect this socioeconomic data from law enforcement agencies because this information is not part of the agencies’ standard collection practices and would create an undue paperwork burden on them.

FRA also wishes to inform the public that it has made two changes to FRA F 6180.178 based on internal feedback. FRA added a clarifying footnote noting that railroads must continue to submit any and all forms for an accident/incident that are required under 49 CFR part 225. FRA also added a data field in which law enforcement agencies can indicate whether the trespasser appears intoxicated. This field was inadvertently excluded on the original proposed form. FRA will work with its outreach partners to develop educational outreach initiatives and public service announcement campaigns targeted to establishments that are located near railroad tracks if intoxication is deemed to be a contributing factor to railroad trespassing.

Before OMB decides whether to approve the proposed collection of information, it must provide 30 days for public comment. 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 1320.10(b); see also 60 FR 44978, 44983 (Aug. 29, 1995). OMB believes 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.

Comments are invited on the following ICR regarding: (1) Whether the