annually. Additionally, SSOAs are required to maintain training records for their designated personnel for a five-year period. This request for renewal of an existing information collection does not reflect any changes as a result of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. In the event that FTA updates PTSTCP requirements, FTA will seek comment from stakeholders through the publication of a separate Federal Register Notice outside of the Paperwork Reduction Act process.

Respondents: State Safety Oversight Agencies and Rail Transit Agencies.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 91 respondents (31 SSOAs that conduct audits and examinations of public transportation systems and 60 public RTAs with designated personnel who are directly responsible for safety oversight of their systems).

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 5,118 hours.

Frequency: Annually.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration
[FTA Docket No. FTA 2022–0006]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to request the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve the extension of a currently approved information collection: Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Grants (CIG) Program Section 5309.

DATES: Comments must be submitted before May 2, 2022.

ADDRESSES: To ensure that your comments are not entered more than once into the docket, submit comments identified by the docket number by only one of the following methods:

1. Website: www.regulations.gov.

Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the U.S. Government electronic docket site. (Note: The U.S. Department of Transportation’s (DOT’s) electronic docket is no longer accepting electronic comments.) All electronic submissions must be made to the U.S. Government electronic docket site at www.regulations.gov. Commenters should follow the directions below for mailed and hand-delivered comments.


4. Hand Delivery: U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays.

Instructions: You must include the agency name and docket number for this notice at the beginning of your comments. Submit two copies of your comments if you submit them by mail. For confirmation that FTA has received your comments, include a self-addressed stamped postcard. Note that all comments received, including any personal information, will be posted without change, to www.regulations.gov.

You may review DOT’s complete Privacy Act Statement in the Federal Register published April 11, 2000, (65 FR 19477), or you may visit www.regulations.gov. Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents and comments received, go to www.regulations.gov at any time. Background documents and comments received may also be viewed at the U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Docket Operations, M–30, West Building, Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590–0001 between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Susan Eddy (202) 366–5499 or email: Susan.Eddy@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested parties are invited to send comments regarding any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) The necessity and utility of the information collection for the proper performance of the functions of the FTA; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways to minimize the collection burden without reducing the quality of the collected information. Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection.

Title: Fixed Guideway Capital Investment Grants (CIG) Program Section 5309 (OMB Number: 2132–0561)

Background: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) administers the discretionary Capital Investment Grants (CIG) grant program under 49 U.S.C. Section 5309 that provides funding for major transit capital investments including rapid rail, light rail, commuter rail, bus rapid transit, and ferries. Three types of eligible projects are outlined in law: Smaller scaled corridor-based transit capital projects known as “Small Starts”; new fixed guideway transit systems and extensions to existing fixed guideway systems known as “New Starts”; and projects to improve capacity in existing fixed guideway corridors or will be in five years, known as “Core Capacity”.

The CIG program has a longstanding requirement that FTA evaluate proposed projects against a prescribed set of statutory criteria at specific points during the projects’ development including when they seek to enter a subsequent phase of the process or a construction grant agreement. In addition, FTA must report on its evaluations and ratings annually to Congress.

The current Federal Public Transportation Law, 49 U.S.C. 5309, has not changed the statutorily defined project justification and local financial commitment criteria that are the subject of this information collection. In addition, the statutorily required approval steps for projects seeking CIG funds have not changed. The current request for renewal of this information collection does not reflect any changes as a result of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL). FTA will seek comment from stakeholders through the publication of a separate Federal Register Notice outside of the PRA process.

In general, the information used by FTA for CIG project evaluation and rating should arise as a part of the project justification and local financial commitment criteria. Respondents: State and local government agencies, including transit agencies.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 155 respondents.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 68,840 hours.

Frequency: Annually.

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