

government upon entry, an importer must claim the higher over-quota tariff rate or most-favored nation (MFN) rate of duty.¹ An importer may subsequently claim the in-quota tariff rate² or preferential duty rate³ under certain limited conditions.

Currently, Australia, Uruguay, New Zealand, and Argentina are approved for the use of eCERT for transmitting export certificates for certain beef entries subject to the tariff-rate quota.⁴ Additionally, Mexico is approved for the use of eCERT for transmitting certificates of eligibility for certain textile and apparel goods that are eligible for preferential treatment under a TPL.⁵

This document announces that the transition of eCERT to eCERT 2.0 will be operational as of September 25, 2022, and eCERT 2.0 will become the sole method for participating in the eCERT process at that time. As of that date, the below-mentioned enhancements will become operational for the transmission of export certificates for certain beef entries from Australia, Uruguay, New Zealand and Argentina, and for the transmission of certificates of eligibility for certain textile and apparel goods from Mexico.

The updated system will include three new features that will enhance the existing eCERT system by implementing additional validations that verify the

authorized use of quota certificates. One of the enhancements will allow the eCERT system to decrement the usage of quota certificates and prevent those certificates from being overused, and thus, provide CBP with better and more easily available awareness of the certificate usage. Secondly, participating countries will have enhanced querying capabilities to query and track actual certificate usage in eCERT 2.0. The third enhancement will be a new Automated Broker Interface (ABI) query which will enable importers to query their usage of quota certificates.⁶ Importers are expected to exercise reasonable care pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1484 when filing entries and tracking their usage of quota certificates and the availability of a new query capability in eCERT 2.0 does not relieve importers of this responsibility.

In order to participate in eCERT 2.0, importers must provide the participating country with their Importer of Record (IOR) number in advance of filing an entry, and, in turn, the participating country will submit the IOR number as part of the eCERT transmission to CBP.⁷ The participating country will submit the IOR number as an additional data element of information within the single transmission message to eCERT 2.0.

At this time, CBP recommends that importers share the IOR numbers with their exporters in advance of September 25, 2022, to allow for participating countries to test the updated system with actual IOR numbers and avoid rejection of the transmission due to missing IOR numbers once eCERT 2.0 is deployed.⁸ In general, importers will need to provide the IOR numbers only once to the participating exporter or country (which should be no later than 30 days in advance of filing an entry), but importers should ensure that the exporter has the IOR number on file for future transmissions.

The transition to eCERT 2.0 will not change the tariff-rate quota or TPL filing process or requirements. Importers will continue to provide the export certificate or certificate of eligibility numbers from the participating countries in the same manner as when currently filing entry summaries with

CBP. The format of the export certificate and certificate of eligibility numbers will remain the same for the corresponding eCERT transmissions.

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Executive Assistant Commissioner, Office of Trade.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID FEMA-2022-0023]

RIN 1660-ZA26

Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program and Policy Guide

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice, request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is accepting comments on its 2022 update to the Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Program and Policy Guide (formerly 2015 HMA Guidance and Addendum). The HMA Program and Policy Guide was last published in 2015. The primary purpose of this update is to incorporate existing policies and guidance materials issued since 2015, simplify guidance materials, and revise the document to increase overall accessibility and organization.

DATES: Comments must be received by September 23, 2022.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by Docket ID FEMA-2022-0023, via the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Public Participation

Interested persons are invited to participate in this update to the Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) Program and Policy Guide (formerly 2015 HMA Guidance and 2015 HMA Guidance Addendum) by submitting comments and related materials. We will consider all comments and material received during the comment period.

¹ If there is no associated foreign government eCERT transmission available upon entry of the merchandise or filing of the entry summary, an importer may enter the merchandise for consumption subject to the over-quota tariff rate or the MFN rate of duty or opt not to enter the merchandise for consumption at that time (*e.g.*, transfer the merchandise to a Customs bonded warehouse or foreign trade zone or export or destroy the merchandise).

² If an importer enters the merchandise for consumption subject to the over-quota tariff rate and the associated foreign government eCERT transmission becomes available afterwards, an importer may claim the in-quota rate of duty by filing a post summary correction (before liquidation) or a protest under 19 CFR part 174 (after liquidation). In either event, the in-quota rate of duty is allowable only if there are still quota amounts available within the original quota period.

³ An importer has the opportunity to make a post importation claim for a TPL by requesting a refund of any excess customs duties at any time within one year after the date of importation of the goods. However, the preferential duty rate is allowable only if there are still amounts available within the original TPL period.

⁴ See the published general notices for the approved use of eCERT for Australia (75 FR 81632 (December 28, 2010)), Uruguay (86 FR 47127 (August 23, 2021)), New Zealand (87 FR 1771 (January 12, 2022)), and Argentina (87 FR 2172 (January 13, 2022)) for certain beef imports subject to a tariff-rate quota.

⁵ See the published general notice for the approved use of eCERT for Mexico for certain textile and apparel goods that are eligible for preferential treatment under a TPL (FR 86 FR 54225 (September 30, 2021)).

⁶ Use of this enhancement will be facilitated through a new CBP and Trade Automated Interface Requirements (CATAIR) message, Certificate Query, which may be found in the Implementation Guide on CBP's website at: <https://www.cbp.gov/document/guides/certificate-query-catair-ecert-20>.

⁷ Pursuant to 19 CFR 142.3(a)(1), importers provide the IOR numbers to CBP on CBP Form 3461 upon entry.

⁸ As of July 7, 2022, CBP began testing eCERT 2.0 with the participating countries using test data. Early submission of IOR numbers by importers will help facilitate the testing process.

If you submit a comment, include the Docket ID FEMA–2022–0023, indicate the specific section of this document to which each comment applies, and give the reason for each comment. All submissions may be posted, without change, to the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. For more about privacy and the docket, visit <https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=DHS-2018-0029-0001>.

Viewing comments and documents: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received, go to the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

II. Background

FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) grant programs provide funding for eligible mitigation activities that reduce disaster losses and protect life and property from future disaster damages.

The proposed 2022 HMA Program and Policy Guide consolidates the 2015 HMA Guidance and the 2015 HMA Guidance Addendum into one HMA guidance document, and renames the document as "Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program and Policy Guide." The HMA Program and Policy Guide covers the following hazard mitigation assistance programs: (1) the Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) program; (2) the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP); (3) the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Post Fire (HMGP Post Fire); and (4) the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program. FEMA implemented the BRIC program following the passage of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018, which amended Section 203 of the Stafford Act.¹

The updated HMA Program and Policy Guide includes the following content updates:

- Highlights FEMA priorities such as resilience and climate adaptation, community lifelines, whole community, equity, capability and capacity building, comprehensive planning, and building codes.

¹ The Pre-Disaster Mitigation (PDM) program is no longer covered in the HMA Program and Policy Guide. Congress may appropriate additional funds under Section 203 outside of the established HMA programs, and such funds may be administered through the PDM program. FEMA intends to announce these funding opportunities through Notices of Funding Opportunity, which will specify the applicable program requirements.

- Incorporates changes resulting from the Disaster Recovery Reform Act.² For instance, the proposed 2022 HMA Program and Policy Guide incorporates the BRIC Policy,³ the HMGP—Post Fire Policy,⁴ the HMGP Management Costs Interim Policy,⁵ the earthquake early warning systems factsheet,⁶ and expanded wildfire mitigation activities.⁷

- Incorporates additional policy changes that were published after 2015, such as the Ecosystem Service Benefits in Benefit-Cost Analysis for FEMA's Mitigation Program Policy.⁸

- Expands information on project types in Part 12 based on existing job aids and factsheets, such as aquifer storage and recovery,⁹ floodplain and stream restoration,¹⁰ flood diversion

and storage,¹¹ wind retrofit,¹² acquisition projects,¹³ and generators.¹⁴

- Incorporates 2021 updates to Hazard Mitigation Assistance and Mitigation Planning regulations.¹⁵
- Clarifies issues specific to HMGP, including application period, the HMGP 12-month lock-in and de-obligation, extensions, and the total award amount for the purpose of management costs.
- Extends the period of performance for HMGP from 36 to 48 months.
- Expands the eligibility of codes and standards assistance in Part 11.
- Incorporates the 2020 regulatory changes made to 2 CFR part 200¹⁶ and expands information on grants management requirements and procedures.
- Expands guidance content and resources on mitigation planning, recognizing its importance to effective hazard mitigation.

- Includes new guiding principles, such as nature-based solutions and the National Mitigation Investment Strategy.¹⁷

- Makes nonsubstantive revisions to increase overall accessibility and organization of the document.

FEMA seeks comment on the proposed 2022 HMA Program and Policy Guide, which is available online at <http://www.regulations.gov> in docket ID FEMA–2022–0023. Based on the comments received, FEMA may make appropriate revisions to the proposed 2022 HMA Program and Policy Guide. When or if FEMA issues a final policy, FEMA will publish it on its website at <https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/hazard-mitigation-assistance>.

¹ FEMA, Flood Diversion and Storage Fact Sheet (undated); FEMA Job Aid: Flood Diversion and Storage (Aug. 2016); FEMA, Flood Diversion and Storage Supplemental (Dec. 2016).

² FEMA, Memorandum, Cost Effectiveness Determination for Non-Residential Hurricane Wind Retrofit Measures Funded by FEMA (Mar. 1, 2018), available at https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-05/fema_bca_pre-calculated_non-residential-wind-retrofit.pdf (last accessed May 19, 2021).

³ FEMA, Acquisition and Relocation Job Aid (Aug. 2017), available at https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-09/fema_acquisition_relocation_job_aid_08-21-17.pdf (last accessed May 19, 2021).

⁴ FEMA, Job Aid, Eligibility of Generators as a Fundable Project by the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, available at https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-09/fema_eligibility_generators_fundable_project_under_hmgp_pdm_02-19-15.pdf (last accessed May 19, 2021).

⁵ FEMA, FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Assistance and Planning Regulations, 86 FR 50653 (Sept. 10, 2021).

⁶ See 85 FR 49506 (Aug. 13, 2020).

⁷ https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-10/fema_national-mitigation-investment-strategy.pdf (last accessed Apr. 1, 2021).

Most helpful to the agency will be comments that provide concrete suggestions and the reasoning for a proposed approach or change.

Authority: 6 U.S.C. 101 *et seq.*; 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*; 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*

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Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2021-0032; OMB No. 1660-0139]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection, Comment Request; Ready Campaign PSA Creative Testing Research

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security

ACTION: 30-Day notice of renewal and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (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 notice seeks comments concerning the Ready Campaign, which is a national public service advertising (PSA) campaign in support of FEMA's mission and is designed to educate and empower Americans to prepare for and respond to emergencies including natural and man-made disasters.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 23, 2022.

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:
Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Director, Information Management Division, 500 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20472, email address FEMA-Information-Collections@fema.dhs.gov or Patricia Lea Crager, Director, Ready Campaign; at 404-695-5962 or patricia.crager@fema.dhs.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This proposed information collection previously published in the **Federal Register** on March 1, 2022, at 87 FR 11455 with a 60 day public comment period. No comments were received. 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: Ready Campaign PSA Creative Testing Research.

Type of Information Collection: Extension, without change, of a currently approved information collection.

OMB Number: 1660-0139.

FEMA Forms: FEMA Form FF-305-FY-21-100 (formerly 008-0-21), Recruitment Screener; FEMA Form FF-305-FY-21-101 (formerly 008-0-22), Focus Group Discussion Guide.

Abstract: FEMA proposes conducting qualitative research in the form of focus groups in order to test creative concepts developed for FEMA's national Ready Campaign PSA campaign, which aims to educate and empower Americans to prepare for and respond to emergencies. The research will help determine the clarity, relevance, and motivating appeal of the concepts prior to final production of the advertising.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 90.

Estimated Number of Responses: 90.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 58.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost: \$2,356.

Estimated Respondents' Operation and Maintenance Costs: \$0.

Estimated Respondents' Capital and Start-Up Costs: \$0.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Federal Government: \$54,507.

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; 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

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2022-0024; OMB No. 1660-0085]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program

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

ACTION: 60-Day notice of revision 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 revision of a currently approved information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program, which provides federal funding in response to a State or Federally recognized Tribe's request for Crisis Counseling services for a presidentially declared major disaster.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 24, 2022.

ADDRESSES: To avoid duplicate submissions to the docket, please submit comments at www.regulations.gov under Docket ID FEMA-2022-0024. 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