

### Method of Collection

FMCSA will collect the required information for IC-1 via email. For ICs 2, 3, and 4, FMCSA will leverage a web-based survey application combined with email to collect information. FMCSA believes that all respondents will have State or local government-provided information technology equipment (*e.g.*, laptops, mobile devices, etc.) and internet access; as such, the Agency believes electronic submissions will be most cost-effective and efficient for respondents (as opposed to mail-based submissions or some other means). FMCSA estimates that 100 percent of submissions will be electronic.

### Results of Data Collection

FMCSA does not plan to publish results from this data collection. Results from this data collection, which will be descriptive and/or qualitative in nature, will inform the study sample design, participation agreements, data collection plans, resource plans, and study database requirements. No complex analytical techniques will be used. Final results from the overall study, once completed, will be published in a final study report. Findings from the overall study will ultimately inform the identification and development of countermeasures to prevent crashes involving CMVs.

As part of the Crash Causal Factors Program, this IC supports the DOT Strategic Goal of Safety.

### Response to Public Comments

On December 27, 2022, FMCSA published a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** seeking public comment on this proposed IC (87 FR 79419). FMCSA received six comments, two of which were unrelated to this ICR or the Large Truck Crash Causal Factors Study. Below are summaries of the four relevant comments received, along with FMCSA's responses.

#### *Eric Hein (Two Comments)*

Eric Hein submitted two comments. The first comment included (1) a letter that discussed underreporting of fatal side underride crashes in NHTSA's Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) and requested inclusion of side underride guard research in the Large Truck Crash Causal Factors Study, and (2) a report examining underreporting of side underride crashes in FARS. The second comment included revised versions of the letter and report that Mr. Hein had submitted earlier in the comment period.

*Agency Response:* Mr. Hein's comments are not related to the proposed IC, but they are relevant to the

Large Truck Crash Causal Factors Study in general. While the Agency cannot predict what types of crashes will occur in study locations during the data collection period, if side underride crashes do occur, FMCSA plans to collect relevant data to enable detailed analysis of such crashes. Before collecting crash data for the study, FMCSA will issue a separate 60-day notice announcing the proposed IC and requesting comments from the public. FMCSA invites Mr. Hein to submit additional comments at that time.

#### *Industry Associations (Two Comments)*

The American Trucking Associations (ATA) submitted a letter expressing support for the proposed IC, along with a copy of the comments they submitted in response to FMCSA's request for information (RFI) on the Large Truck Crash Causal Factors Study, published January 15, 2020 (85 FR 2481).

The Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association (OOIDA) submitted a letter that (1) expressed support for the proposed IC, and (2) reiterated several comments the association had previously submitted in response to FMCSA's January 2020 RFI on the Large Truck Crash Causal Factors Study.

*Agency Response:* FMCSA acknowledges and appreciates ATA's and OOIDA's support of the proposed IC and the Large Truck Crash Causal Factors Study. The Agency previously reviewed ATA's and OOIDA's comments on the January 2020 RFI and has taken those comments, along with all other comments received on the docket for that RFI, into consideration during the study planning process. The Agency will take ATA's and OOIDA's comments into consideration when developing the crash data collection ICR.

*Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspect of this IC, including: (1) whether the proposed collection is necessary for the performance of FMCSA's functions; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for FMCSA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized without reducing the quality of the collected information.

Issued under the authority of 49 CFR 1.87.

**Thomas P. Keane,**

*Associate Administrator, Office of Research and Registration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA 2023-0011]

### Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Urbanized Area Formula Program

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation.

**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.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted before July 24, 2023.

**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](http://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](http://www.regulations.gov). Commenters should follow the directions below for mailed and hand-delivered comments.

2. *Fax:* 202-366-7951.

3. *Mail:* 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.

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 and will be available to internet users, without change, to [www.regulations.gov](http://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](http://www.regulations.gov). Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents and comments received, go to [www.regulations.gov](http://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:**

Mark Bathrick at (202) 366-9955, or email: [Mark.Bathrick@dot.gov](mailto:Mark.Bathrick@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:* 49 U.S.C. 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program.

*OMB Number:* 2132-0502.

*Background:* The Urbanized Area Formula Funding program (49 U.S.C. 5307) makes federal resources available to urbanized areas and to governors for transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas and for transportation-related planning. An urbanized area is an incorporated area with a population of 50,000 or more that is designated as such by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Funding is made available to designated recipients that are public bodies with the legal authority to receive and dispense federal funds. Governors, responsible local officials and publicly owned operators of transit services shall designate a recipient to apply for, receive, and dispense funds for urbanized areas pursuant to 49USCA5307(a)(2). The governor or governor's designee acts as the designated recipient for urbanized areas between 50,000 and 200,000. For urbanized areas with 200,000 in population and over, funds are apportioned and flow directly to a designated recipient selected locally to apply for and receive Federal funds. For urbanized areas under 200,000 in

population, the funds are apportioned to the governor of each state for distribution. Eligible activities include: planning, engineering, design and evaluation of transit projects and other technical transportation-related studies; capital investments in bus and bus-related activities such as replacement, overhaul and rebuilding of buses, crime prevention and security equipment and construction of maintenance and passenger facilities; and capital investments in new and existing fixed guideway systems including rolling stock, overhaul and rebuilding of vehicles, track, signals, communications, and computer hardware and software. In addition, associated transit improvements and certain expenses associated with mobility management programs are eligible under the program. All preventive maintenance and some Americans with Disabilities Act complementary paratransit service costs are considered capital costs. For urbanized areas with populations less than 200,000, operating assistance is an eligible expense. Urbanized areas of 200,000 or more may not use funds for operating assistance unless identified by FTA as eligible under the Special Rule.

*Respondents:* State or local governmental entities that operates a public transportation service.

*Estimated Annual Number of Respondents:* 5,864.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 114,008.

*Frequency:* Annually.

**Nadine Pembleton,**

*Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Transit Administration**

[FTA Docket No. FTA 2023-0012]

**Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: New Freedom Program**

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation.

**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.

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**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Destiny Buchanan at (202) 493-8018, or email: [Destiny.Buchanan@dot.gov](mailto:Destiny.Buchanan@dot.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Interested parties are invited to send comments regarding any aspect of this information