

• Under §§ 207.4(a), 207.4(b), and 207.6, the combined burden increased from 11 hours to 15.84 hours because of an increase in number of responses—from 100 to 150 updated notices and records per year. FRA’s estimate is based on the anticipated increase in law enforcement in the railroad industry.

• FRA also added a new burden under § 207.4(b) to capture railroads’ responses to FRA’s inquiries regarding program review of the notification process.
Type of Request: Extension without change (revised estimates) of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses.
Form(s): N/A.
Respondent Universe: 784 railroads.
Frequency of Submission: On occasion.
Reporting Burden:

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses (A)	Average time per response (B)	Total annual burden hours (C) = A * B	Total annual dollar cost equivalent (D) = C * wage rates ¹
207.4(a)—RR Notice to State Officials—Written notice of RR police officer's commission to each State in which the RR police officer shall protect the railroad's property, personnel, passengers, and cargo.	784 railroads	50 written notices	15 minutes	12.50 hours	\$973.88
207.4(b)—RR copy of written notices to State officials .. —RR copy of written notices to State officials—RR's email verification in response to FRA's inquiry for program review.	784 railroads	50 records	2 minutes	1.67 hours	130.11
	784 railroads	50 verifications	2 minutes	1.67 hours	130.11
207.6—Transfers—Application by RR police officers for new State certification/commission when transferring primary employment or residence from one State to another.	784 railroads	50 records	2 minutes	1.67 hours	130.11
Total²	784 railroads	200 responses	N/A	18 hours	1,364

¹ The dollar equivalent cost is derived from the 2021 Surface Transportation Bureau's Full Year Wage A&B data series using the appropriate employee group hourly wage rate that includes a 75-percent overhead charge. For Professional/Administrative staff, this cost amounts to \$77.91 per hour.
² Totals may not add due to rounding.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 200.
Total Estimated Annual Burden: 18 hours.
Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent: \$1,364.
 FRA informs all interested parties that it may not conduct or sponsor, and a respondent is not required to respond to, a collection of information that does not display a currently valid OMB control number.
Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Railroad Administration
[Docket No. FRA–2023–0002–N–1]

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, FRA will seek approval of the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted

below. Before submitting this ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval, FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified in the ICR.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before March 21, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed ICR should be submitted on regulations.gov to the docket, Docket No. FRA–2023–0002. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket, including any personal information provided. Please refer to the assigned OMB control number (2130–0534) in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Hodan Wells, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: *Hodan.Wells@dot.gov* or telephone: (202) 868–9412.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60-days’ notice to the public to allow comment on information collection activities before seeking OMB approval of the activities. See 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8–1320.12. Specifically, FRA invites interested

parties to comment on the following ICR regarding: (1) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA’s estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being collected; and (4) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1).

FRA believes that soliciting public comment may reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information that Federal statutes and regulations mandate. In summary, FRA reasons that comments received will advance three objectives: (1) reduce reporting burdens; (2) organize information collection requirements in a “user-friendly” format to improve the use of such information; and (3) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. See 44 U.S.C. 3501.

The summary below describes the ICR that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

Title: Grade Crossing Signal System Safety Regulations.
OMB Control Number: 2130-0534.
Abstract: FRA believes that highway-rail grade crossing (grade crossing) accidents resulting from warning system failures can be reduced when railroads take certain actions, as required by FRA's regulations, in the event of an activation failure.¹ These required actions are set forth in 49 CFR part 234. An activation failure is defined as when a grade crossing warning system fails to indicate the approach of a train at least 20 seconds prior to the train's arrival at the crossing or to indicate the presence of a train occupying the crossing. Specifically, railroads must report to FRA every impact between on-track

railroad equipment and an automobile, bus, truck, motorcycle, bicycle, farm vehicle, or pedestrian at a highway-rail grade crossing involving a crossing warning system activation failure. Notification must be provided to the National Response Center within 24 hours of occurrence at the stipulated toll-free telephone number. Additionally, railroads must report to FRA within 15 days of each activation failure of a highway-rail grade crossing warning system. Form FRA F 6180.83, "Highway-Rail Grade Crossing Warning System Activation Failure Report," must be used for this purpose and completed using the instructions printed on the form. With this

information, FRA can identify the causes of activation failures and investigate them to determine whether periodic maintenance, inspection, and testing standards are effective.

In this 60-day notice, FRA made no adjustments to the previously approved burden hours.

Type of Request: Extension without change (revised estimates) of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses (railroads).

Form(s): FRA F 6180.83.

Respondent Universe: 784 railroads.

Frequency of Submission: On occasion/monthly.

Reporting Burden:

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses (A)	Average time per response (B)	Total annual burden hours (C = A * B)	Total cost equivalent in U.S. dollar (D = C * wage rates) ²
234.7—Accidents involving grade crossing signal failure—Telephone notification.	784 railroads	2 phone calls	2 minutes1 hours	\$7
234.9—Grade crossing signal system failure reports—Form 6180.83.	784 railroads	250 reports	10 minutes	42 hours	3,030
234.105/106/107—Activation failure/partial activation/false activation—Notification to train crew and law enforcement due to credible report of warning system malfunction.	784 railroads	30,000 notifications	5 minutes	2,500 hours	180,350
234.109—Recordkeeping	784 railroads	30,000 records	5 minutes	2,500 hours	180,350
Total ³	784 railroads	60,252 responses	N/A	5,042 hours	363,737

² The dollar equivalent cost is derived from the 2021 STB Full Year Wage A&B data series using the appropriate employee group hourly wage rate that includes a 75-percent overhead charge. For Transportation (Other than Train & Engine) staff, this cost amounts to \$72.14 per hour.
³ Totals may not add due to rounding.

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 60,252.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 5,042 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent: \$363,737.

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Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA 2023-0004]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: 49 U.S.C. Section 5337 State of Good Repair Program

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

ACTION: Notice of request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Requirements (ICRs) abstracted below have been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describe the nature of the information collection and their expected burdens.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 21, 2023.

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.

Comments are Invited On: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. A comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tia Swain, Office of Administration, Management Planning Division, 1200

¹ 59 FR 50086.