DEPARTMENT OF Homeland Security
[Docket No. DHS–2012–0013]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for Review; Information Collection Extension Request for the Department of Homeland Security Science and Technology First Responders Community of Practice Program

AGENCY: Science and Technology Directorate, DHS.

ACTION: 60-day notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) invites the general public to comment on the data collection form for the DHS Science & Technology (S&T) First Responders Community of Practice (FRCoP): User Registration Form (DHS Form 10059 (9/09)). The FRCoP web based tool collects profile information from first responders and select authorized non-first responder users to facilitate networking and formation of online communities. All users are required to authenticate prior to entering the site. In addition, the tool provides members the capability to create wikis, discussion threads, blogs, documents, etc., allowing them to enter and upload content in accordance with the site’s Rules of Behavior. Members are able to participate in threaded discussions and comment on other member’s content. The DHS S&T FRCoP program is responsible for providing a collaborative environment for the first responder community to share information, best practices, and lessons learned. Section 313 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 established this requirement. This notice and request for comments is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until October 28, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments, identified by docket number DHS–2012–0013, by one of the following methods:
• Email: Kathy.Higgins@hq.dhs.gov. Please include docket number DHS–2012–0013 in the subject line of the message.
• Fax: (202) 254–6171. (Not a toll-free number).
• Mail: Science and Technology Directorate, ATTN: Chief Information Officer—Rick Stevens, 1120 Vermont Ave., Mail Stop 0202, Washington, DC 20005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: DHS FRCoP Contact Kathy Higgins (202) 254–2293 (Not a toll free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DHS S&T currently has approval to collect information utilizing the User Registration Form until September 30, 2013 with OMB approval number 1640–0016. The User Registration Form will be available on the First Responders Community of Practice Web site found at [https://communities.firstresponder.gov/]. The user will complete the form online and submit it through the Web site.

The Department is committed to improving its information collection and urges all interested parties to suggest how these materials can further reduce burden while seeking necessary information under the Act.

DHS is particularly interested in comments that:
(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
(2) 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;
(3) Suggest ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
(4) Suggest ways to 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 submissions of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) Type of Information Collection: Renewal of Information Collection.
(2) Title of the Form/Collection: First Responders Community of Practice: User Registration Form.
(3) Agency Form Number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security sponsoring the collection: DHS Science & Technology Directorate, R-Tech (RTD), DHS Form 10059 (09/09).
(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Individuals; the data will be gathered from individual first responders who wish to participate in the First Responders Community of Practice.
(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond:
   a. Estimate of the total number of respondents: 2000.
   b. An estimate of the time for an average respondent to respond: 0.5 burden hours.
   c. An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 1000 burden hours.

Dated: August 1, 2013.

Rick Stevens,
Chief Information Officer for Science and Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF Homeland Security

Federal Emergency Management Agency
[Docket ID: FEMA–2013–0017; OMB No. 1660–0086]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

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 submission will describe the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (i.e., the time, effort and resources used by respondents to respond) and cost, and the actual data collection instruments FEMA will use.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 30, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the Desk Officer for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and sent via electronic mail to oira.submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395–8068.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Director, Records Management Division, 1800 South Bell Street, Arlington, VA 20598–3005,
facsimile number (202) 646–3347, or email address FEMA-Information-
Collections-Management@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Collection of Information

Title: National Flood Insurance Program-Mortgage Portfolio Protection Program.

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

Form Titles and Numbers: None.

Abstract: FEMA needs the information to ensure that insurance companies that join the NFIP’s WYO program meet all state and federal requirements for insurance companies; these include a good record and are well rated in their field. There is no other way to obtain this information which is specific to each company that applies to join the NFIP.

Affected Public: Business or other non-profits.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 341.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 171.

Estimated Cost: There are no recordkeeping, capital, start-up or maintenance costs associated with this information collection.

Dated: August 20, 2013.

Charlene D. Myrthil,

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA–2013–0032; OMB No. 1660–New]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a new information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the collection of qualitative data regarding preparedness message framing. The goal of this qualitative research is to gain insights on how best to frame preparedness messaging to effectively encourage and motivate the public to prepare themselves and their families for a disaster.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 28, 2013.

ADDRESSES: To avoid duplicate submissions to the docket, please use only one of the following means to submit comments:


(2) Mail. Submit written comments to Docket Manager, Office of Chief Counsel, DHS/FEMA, 500 C Street SW., Room 640, Washington, DC 20472–3100.

All submissions received must include the agency name and Docket ID. Regardless of the method used for submitting comments or material, all submissions will be posted, without change, to the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http://www.regulations.gov, and will include any personal information you provide. Therefore, submitting this information makes it public. You may wish to read the Privacy Act notice that is available via the link in the footer of www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kathryn Pilman, Program Specialist, Individual and Community Preparedness Division, 202–786–0181. You may contact the Records Management Division for copies of the proposed collection of information at facsimile number (202) 646–3347 or email address: FEMA-Information-
Collections-Management@dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) Citizen Corps program acts under the authority of Executive Order No. 13254, “Establishing the USA Freedom Corps.” Citizen Corps’ mission is to bring together government and community leaders to involve citizens in all-hazard emergency preparedness and resilience. FEMA’s Individual and Community Preparedness Division (ICPD) directs this effort to support the policy to foster a culture of responsibility, service and citizenship. FEMA will use this collection to ensure the effectiveness and value of awareness and education campaigns, disaster messaging and other associated outreach efforts.

Collection of Information

Title: Preparedness Message Framing Research.

Type of Information Collection: New information collection.

FEMA Forms: 008–0–17, Focus Group Moderator’s Guide; FEMA Form 008–0–18, Recruit/Screener Phone Script; and FEMA Form 008–0–19, Post Event Participant Survey.

Abstract: FEMA’s Individual and Community Preparedness Division will engage in qualitative research involving the review of disaster preparedness message frames for the purpose of determining the most effective means for presenting disaster preparedness messages. Multiple frames will be used to probe: (1) Overall Understanding of the terms used in preparedness messaging (Disaster; Preparedness; Emergency); (2) General concern and attitudes (Area specific hazards and risks; Concern or worry about specific hazards and risks; plans for taking steps); (3) Reactions to hazard specific message concepts; and (4) Effective channels for communication.). This research will provide insights on how to improve existing disaster preparedness messages to encourage the public to engage in preparedness behaviors.

Affected Public: Individuals and households.

Number of Respondents: 3,840.

Number of Responses: 3,840.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 940 hours.

Estimated Cost: There are no capital or start-up costs associated with this collection.

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; (b) 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.