

**ADDRESSES:** You may send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention: DOT Desk Officer. You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burden; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics.

*Abstract:* A Guide to Reporting Highway Statistics provides for the collection of information by describing policies and procedures for assembling statistical data from the existing files of State agencies. The data includes motor-vehicle registration and fees, motor-fuel use and taxation, driver licensing, and highway taxation and finance. Federal, State, and local governments use the data for transportation policy discussions and decisions. Motor-fuel data are used in attributing receipts to the Highway Trust Fund and subsequently in the apportionment formulas that are used to distribute Federal-Aid Highway Funds. The data are published annually in the FHWA's Highway Statistics and Our Nation's Highways. Information from Highway Statistics is used in the joint FHWA and Federal Transit Administration required biennial report to Congress, The Status of the Nation's Highways, Bridges, and Transit: Conditions and Performance Report to Congress, which contrasts present status to future investment needs.

*Respondents:* State and local governments of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the four territories (American Samoa, Guam, Northern Marianas, and Virgin Islands).

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* The estimated total annual burden for all respondents is 42,206 hours.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Tom Howard, 202-366-0170, Office of Policy, Office of Highway Policy Information, Highway Funding and Motor Fuels (HPPI-10), Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,

Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Highway Administration

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The FHWA has forwarded the information collection request described in this notice to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. We published a **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day public comment period on this information collection on May 14, 2002. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Please submit comments by March 14, 2003.

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usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Environmental Streamlining: Measuring the Performance of Stakeholders in the Transportation Project Development Process.

*Abstract:* The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), FHWA, has contracted with the Gallup Organization to conduct a survey of professionals associated with transportation and resource agencies in order to gather their views on the workings of the environmental review process for transportation projects and how the process can be streamlined. The purpose of the survey is to: (1) Collect the perceptions of agency professionals involved in conducting the decision-making processes mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other resource protection laws in order to develop benchmark performance measures; and (2) identify where the performance of the process might be improved by the application of techniques for streamlining.

*Respondents:* Approximately 675 professionals/officials from transportation and natural resource agencies.

*Frequency:* This is a one-time survey.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* The total estimated annual burden is 338 hours.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Kreig Larson, 202-366-2056, Planning and Environment, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

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