

water routes, and population centers. The Board will use the information concerning the value of the property involved if necessary to set the fair market value of the property and conditions of sale or the terms of the subsidy. Interested parties have a statutory right to file offers of financial assistance. The Board has the Congressionally mandated responsibility to handle offers of financial assistance. The consequences of failure to collect data related to offers of financial assistance will be an inability to fulfill responsibilities under 49 U.S.C. 10904.

Dated: July 28, 2003.

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

#### Notice of Public Information Collection Submitted to OMB for Review

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

**ACTION:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**SUMMARY:** The Surface Transportation Board has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval the following proposal for collection of information as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

*Title:* Maps To Be Submitted in Abandonment Exemption Proceedings.  
*OMB Form Number:* 2140-0008.  
*No. of Respondents:* 54.  
*Total Burden Hours:* 54.

**DATES:** Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments by September 2, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to the Surface Transportation Board, Room 706, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423. When submitting comments refer to the OMB number and title of the information collection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara G. Saddler, (202) 565-1656. Requests for copies of the information collection may be obtained by contacting Barbara G. Saddler (202) 565-1656.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Surface Transportation Board is, by statute, responsible for the economic regulation of surface transportation carriers operating in interstate and

foreign commerce. The ICC Termination Act of 1995, Public Law 104-88, 109 Stat. 803 (1995), which took effect on January 1, 1996, abolished the Interstate Commerce Commission and transferred the responsibility for regulating rail transportation, including the proposed abandonment and discontinuance of rail lines, to the Surface Transportation Board. The Board needs, in each abandonment exemption proceeding, a detailed map of the rail line, depicting its relation to other rail lines, roads, water routes, and population centers. The Board will use this information to facilitate informed decision making. Respondents will be railroads initiating abandonment exemption proceedings.

Dated: July 28, 2003.

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Surface Transportation Board

#### Notice of Public Information Collection Submitted to OMB for Review

**AGENCY:** Surface Transportation Board, DOT.

**ACTION:** Extension of a currently approved collection.

**SUMMARY:** The Surface Transportation Board has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review and approval the following proposal for collection of information as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

*Title:* System Diagram Maps.  
*OMB Form Number:* 2140-0003.  
*No. of Respondents:* 13.  
*Total Burden Hours:* 58.5.

**DATES:** Persons wishing to comment on this information collection should submit comments by September 2, 2003.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all comments to the Surface Transportation Board, Room 705, 1925 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20423. When submitting comments refer to the OMB number and title of the information collection.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Barbara G. Saddler, (202) 565-1656. Requests for copies of the information collection may be obtained by contacting Barbara G. Saddler (202) 565-1656.

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Dated: July 28, 2003.

**Vernon A. Williams,**  
*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Enhanced-Use Lease Development of Property at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Syracuse, NY

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to designate.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) intends to designate approximately 0.57 acres of land at the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Syracuse, New York, for an enhanced-use leasing development. The Department intends to enter into a 75-year lease of real property with a selected lessee/developer who will finance, design, develop, maintain and manage a biotechnology research facility, at no cost to VA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Vanessa Chambers, Capital Asset Management and Planning Service (182C), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20420, (202) 565-6554.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** 38 U.S.C. section 8161 *et seq.* specifically provides that the Secretary may enter into an enhanced-use lease if he determines that at least part of the use of the property under the lease will be to provide appropriate space for an activity contributing to the mission of