

FMCSA published a "Notice of Request for Renewal of a Currently Approved Information Collection: Financial Responsibility for Motor Carriers of Passengers and Motor Carriers of Property" in the **Federal Register**. Comments on the proposed information collection burden were solicited. No comments regarding the ICR were received.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 6, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 Seventeenth Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, *Attention:* DOT Desk Officer. We particularly request your comments on whether the collection of information is necessary for the FMCSA to meet its goals of reducing truck crashes, including whether the information is useful to this goal; the accuracy of the estimate of the burden of the information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms on information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Marian Lee, (202) 385-2423, Insurance Compliance Division (MC-ECI), Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 7:45 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., *e.t.*, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Financial Responsibility for Motor Carrier of Passengers and Motor Carriers of Property.

OMB Control Number: 2126-0008.

Background: The Secretary of Transportation is responsible for implementing regulations which establish minimal levels of financial responsibility for: (1) Motor carriers of property to cover public liability, property damage, and environmental restoration, and (2) for-hire motor carriers of passengers to cover public liability and property damage. The Endorsement for Motor Carrier Policies of Insurance for Public Liability (Form MCS-90/90B) and the Motor Carrier Public Liability Surety Bond (Form MCS-82/82B) contain the minimum amount of information necessary to document that a motor carrier has obtained, and has in effect, the minimum levels of financial responsibility as set forth in applicable regulations (motor carriers of property—

49 CFR 387.9; and motor carrier of passengers—49 CFR 387.33). FMCSA and the public can verify that a motor carrier of property or passengers has obtained, and has in effect, the required minimum levels of financial responsibility, by use of the information embraced within these documents.

Respondents: Insurance and surety companies of motor carriers of property (Form MCS-90 and Form MCS-82) and motor carriers of passengers (Form MCS-90B and Form MCS-82B).

Average Burden Per Response: Two minutes to complete the Endorsement for Motor Carrier Policies of Insurances for Public Liability or the Motor Carrier Public Liability Surety Bond; one minute to file the Motor Carrier Public Liability Surety Bond; one minute to have either document on board the vehicle (foreign-domiciled motor carriers only). These endorsements are maintained at the motor carrier's principal place of business (49 CFR 387.7(iii)(d)).

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 5,285 hours.

Frequency: Upon creation, change, or replacement of an insurance policy or surety bond.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.73.

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Deputy Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

Environmental Impact Statement: Sussex County, DE

AGENCIES: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT).

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: The FHWA is issuing this notice to advise the public that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) will be prepared for a proposed highway improvement project in northern Sussex County, Delaware.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert F. Kleinburd, Realty and Environmental Program Manager, Federal Highway Administration, Delaware Division, J. Allen Frear Federal Building, 300 South New Street, Room 2101, Dover, DE 19904; Telephone: (302) 734-2966; or Mr. Monroe C. Hite, III, P.E., Project

Manager, Delaware Department of Transportation, 800 Bay Road, P.O. Box 778, Dover, DE 19903; Telephone: (302) 760-2120. DelDOT Public Relations office (800) 652-5600 (in DE only).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), in cooperation with the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT), will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to consider the construction of a potential new alignment in northern Sussex County, Delaware. The proposed limited access facility could connect two existing highways (U.S. Route 113 and Delaware Route 1), which pass through a rapidly developing commercial area in the City of Milford, Delaware.

DelDOT is currently undertaking a planning study (US 113 North/South Study) to consider improvements for the U.S. Route 113 corridor from the vicinity of Delaware Route 1 north of the City of Milford south to the Delaware/Maryland State Line. The US 113 North/South Study is the next step in the overall planning process for this corridor. This effort will be a follow-up to a previously completed feasibility study (Sussex County North-South Transportation Feasibility Study) in July 2001. The data and findings from the feasibility study indicate that a new alignment bypassing the existing U.S. Route 113 may be considered in the Milford Area.

The US 113 North/South Study recommends that the Milford Area (area in and around the City of Milford located in northern Sussex County, Delaware) should be studied separately from the remaining U.S. Route 113 corridor, south to the Maryland State Line. Because of the potential for a new alignment alternative and the resulting potential for significant impacts on the human environment, the FHWA has determined that an EIS is the appropriate documentation for the Milford Area study.

A program of public involvement and coordination with Federal, State, and local agencies has been initiated. Both agency and public involvement will continue throughout project development. Comments are being solicited from appropriate Federal, State, and local agencies, and to private organizations and citizens who have previously expressed or are known to have interest in this proposal. Public scoping meetings will be held. Additional informational meetings will be scheduled during the course of the study. In addition, a formal public hearing will be held after the draft EIS