

emergency assistance, in order to assure maximum coordination and effectiveness of such programs."

Section 613 of the Stafford Act concerning financial contributions to States for necessary and essential State and local emergency preparedness personnel and administrative expenses provides that the State "shall make such reports in such form and content as the Director may require."

Collection of Information:

Title: Capability Assessment for Readiness (CAR).

Type of Information Collection: Reinstatement, with change, of a

previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

OMB Number: 3067-0272.

Form Numbers: Not Applicable.

Abstract. The CAR is needed by FEMA to determine that current capabilities of the States to respond to major disasters and emergencies. It is also an essential means of reporting to the United States Congress and the President on the degree to which States, as primary recipients of FEMA grants, are capable of performing their emergency management responsibilities. It provides a mechanism to evaluate the effectiveness of FEMA programs that are designed to help States attain a high

level of achievement in mitigation, preparedness response and recovery programs. It can be used by States for: (1) developing strategic planning initiatives; (2) producing annual work plans for Federal grants based on areas requiring improvement that are identified in the CAR; (3) providing a basis for budget submissions to State legislatures; and (4) modifying CAR to establish an instrument to assess the capabilities of local jurisdictions.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government (U.S. States and Territories).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,680 annually; 3,360 biennially.

FEMA forms	Number of Respondents (A)	Frequency of Response (B)	Hours per response (C)	Annual burden hours (A × B × C)
	56	Biennial	60	3,360.
Total	56	Biennial	60	3,360. 1,680 on an annual basis.

Estimated Cost. Cost to Federal Government is \$470,500. The cost to the States is \$87,360.

COMMENTS: Written 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) determine an estimated cost of the proposed data collections to respondents; (d) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (e) 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. Comments should be received on or before August 17, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Muriel B. Anderson, FEMA Information Collections Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472. Telephone number (202) 646-2625. FAX number (202) 646-3524, e-mail: muriel.anderson@fema.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information contact Alfred J. Ranno, Preparedness, Training, and Exercises Directorate, at (202) 646-3137.

Contact Ms. Anderson at (202) 646-2625 for copies of the proposed collection of information.

Dated: June 7, 1999.

Reginald Trujillo,

Director, Program Services Division, Operations Support Directorate.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency is submitting a request for review and approval of an expired information collection. The request is submitted under the emergency processing procedures in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations 5 CFR 1320.13. FEMA is requesting that this collection be approved by June 8, 1999, for use through December 1999.

FEMA plans to follow this emergency request with a 3-year approval. The request will be processed under OMB's normal clearance procedures in accordance with the provisions of OMB regulation CFR 1320.10. To help us with the timely processing of both the emergency and normal paperwork clearance submissions to OMB, FEMA invites State and local governments to

comment on the proposed collection of information. This notice and request for comments is in accordance with the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)). It seeks comments concerning the collection of information associated with financial and administrative reporting and recordkeeping requirements that enable State and local governments to request from FEMA Federal financial and technical assistance through Performance Partnership Agreements/Cooperative Agreements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Cooperative Agreements under Performance Partnership Agreements are the vehicle for achieving the Federal Emergency Management Agency's strategic goal of establishing in concert with its partners, a national emergency management system that is comprehensive, risk-based and all hazards in approach. It focuses on integrating and achieving Federal and State goals and objectives for the four broad emergency management functions: Mitigation (risk reduction), preparedness (operational readiness), response (emergency operations), and recovery. This collection of information is in accordance with the requirements of Title 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 13, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative agreements to State and Local Governments, Subpart B, section 13.10; Subpart C, sections 13.32, 13.33, 13.40, 13.41; and Subpart D, section 13.50. Under the Performance

Partnership Agreements, Federal funding is provided through Cooperative Agreements.

Collection of Information: This collection of information includes standard and FEMA forms and other reporting and recordkeeping requirements that enable State and local governments to request from FEMA Federal financial and technical assistance through Cooperatives Agreements.

Title: Financial and Technical Assistance under the Performance Partnership Agreements.

Type of Information Collection: Reinstatement, with change, of a previously approved collection.

OMB Number: 3067-0206.

Form Numbers: Standard Form 424, Application for Federal Assistance, hour burden—2 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

Indirect Cost Agreement hour burden—50 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

Budget Deviations, hour burden—5.8 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

SF-SAC, Data Collection Form for Reporting Audits, hour burden—30 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-10, Financial Status Report, hour burden—9.8 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-15, Budget Information—Construction Projects, hour burden—17 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-16, Assurances, hour burden—1.5 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-17, Outlay Report and Request for Reimbursement for Construction Programs, hour burden—17 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-18, Report of Government Property; hour burden—6 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-19, Report of Unobligated Balance of Federal Funds, Drawdowns, and Undrawn funds, 5 minutes per line, total 2 hours per sheet and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-20, Budget Information—Nonconstruction, hour burden—9.8 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-22, Program Narrative—Nonconstruction, hour burden—8 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-22, Program Narrative—Construction, hour burden—8 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-22, Performance Report—Nonconstruction, hour burden—8 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FEMA Form 20-22, Performance Report—Construction, hour burden—8 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response;

FF 76-10a, Obligating Document for Awards/Amendments, hour burden—1.5 hours per response and recordkeeping .2 hour per response; and, Reading, Understanding and Using the Performance Partnership Agreements/Cooperative Agreements Application; Awards/Amendments; Outlays, Performance Reporting, Budget Deviations, Property Management, and Close-out; and Audit Modules—hour burden—12 hours per response and recordkeeping hour burden—.2 hour per response.

Abstract: Performance partnerships are joint efforts by Federal, State and local governments and providers to design programs and measure results. The Federal Emergency Management Agency and the Governor or his/her authorized representative sign performance Partnership Agreements. Performance partnerships strive to streamline the traditional Federal government grant system by providing increased flexibility on how a program is run in exchange for increased accountability for results. The flexibility and accountability of performance partnerships contain several general objectives that are relevant to the development of a strong national emergency management partnership. The objectives of increased flexibility include consolidation of programs and funding streams, elimination of micro-management, devolved decision-making, and reduced wasteful paperwork and barriers to success. The objectives of increased accountability for results mean partners will develop agreed upon performance measures that use outcomes and outputs to measure progress toward national goals, create funding and other incentives to reward progress towards achievement of desirable results and create disincentives (such as flexibility and the reduction or termination of Federal funding) if efforts are not made to

achieve the desired outcomes. The collection of information focuses on Standard and FEMA forms and other reporting and recordkeeping requirements that enable State and local governments to request from FEMA Federal financial and technical assistance through Performance Partnership Agreements/Cooperative Agreements. The burden hours for this collection only reflect the burden for Cooperative Agreement funding, reporting, and recordkeeping under Performance Partnership Agreements. As other FEMA functions and program activities funded by Federal grants and cooperative agreements are reviewed, the span of coverage for this collection will include burden for those programs as well.

Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal Governments.

Number of Respondents: 56.

Estimated Burden Hours: 67,878.

Estimated Recordkeeping Burden Hours: 1,400.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 69,278.

Estimated Cost to the Federal Government: \$400,000.00.

Comments: Written comments are solicited to:

(a) Evaluate whether the proposed data collections and reporting requirements are necessary for the proper performance of FEMA's functions and program activities, including whether the data have practical utility;

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed data collections and reporting requirements;

(c) Determine an estimated cost of the proposed data collections and reporting requirements to the respondents;

(d) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and,

(e) 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.

OMB should receive comments concerning the approval of this collection of information under OMB's emergency processing procedures within 30 days of the date of this notice. FEMA will, however, continue to accept comments concerning this collection of information through August 17, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to the Office

of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Desk Officer for FEMA, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10102, Washington, DC 20503, or to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Attn: Information Collections Officer, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information contact Charles McNulty, Office of Financial Management, Room 350, Washington, D.C., at (202) 646-2976. For copies of the proposed collection of information contact Muriel B. Anderson at (202) 646-2625, FAX (202) 646-3524, or e-mail: muriel.anderson@fema.gov.

Dated: June 7, 1999.

Reginald Trujillo,

*Director, Program Services Division,
Operations Support Directorate.*

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**FEDERAL EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency has submitted the following proposed information collection to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507).

Title: Post Construction Elevation Certificate/Floodproofing Certification.

Type of Information Collection: Revision of a currently approved collection.

OMB Number: 3067-0077.

Abstract: The Elevation Certificate and Floodproofing Certificate are adjuncts to the application for flood insurance. The certificates are required for proper rating of post-Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) structures, which are buildings constructed after publication of the FIRM, for flood insurance in Special Flood Hazard Areas. In addition, the Elevation Certificate is needed for pre-FIRM structures being rated under post-FIRM flood insurance rules. The certificates provide community officials and others, with standardized documents that are readily needed.

The certificates are supplied to insurance agents, community officials, surveyors, engineers, architects, and

NFIP policyholders/applicants. The community officials or other professionals provide the elevation data required to document conformance with floodplain management regulations and for the applicants, so that actuarial insurance rates can be charged. The elevation data is transmitted to the NFIP by the insurance applicant or agent with the appropriate NFIP policy forms.

The data is also used to assist FEMA in measuring the effectiveness of the NFIP regulations in eliminating or decreasing damage caused by flooding and the appropriateness of the NFIP premium charge for insuring property against the flood hazard.

Affected Public: Individuals and households, businesses or other For-profit, not-for-profit institutions, Farms, and state, Local or Tribal Governments.

Number of Respondents: 73,650.

Estimated Time per Respondent: FEMA Form 81,31, Elevation Certificate-2.25 hours; FEMA Form 81-65, Floodproofing Certificate for Non-Residential Structures-3.25 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 166,362.

Frequency of Response: One per Building.

COMMENTS: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Desk Officer for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 within 30 days of the date of this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Muriel B. Anderson, FEMA Information Collections Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472. Telephone number (202) 646-2625. FAX number (202) 646-3524 or email muriel.anderson@fema.gov.

Dated: June 4, 1999.

Reginald Trujillo,

*Director, Program Services Division,
Operations Support Directorate.*

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**FEDERAL EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

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

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency Management Agency has submitted the following proposed information collection to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507).

Title: Reimbursement for Cost of Firefighting on Federal Property.

Type of Information Collection: Reinstatement with change, of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

OMB Number: 3067-0141.

Abstract. Under Section 11 of the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93-498, 88 Stat. 1535, 15 U.S.C. 2201 *et seq.*), fire services in any state may file claims for reimbursement for direct expenses and losses which are additional firefighting costs over and above normal operating costs incurred while fighting a fire on property which is under the jurisdiction of the United States.

Affected Public: State, local, or tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 4.

Frequency of Response: 4 times a year.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 1.5 Hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 24.

COMMENTS: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed collection of information to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, ATTN: Desk Officer for FEMA, 725 17th Street, NW, Room 10102, Washington, DC 20503. Comments should be submitted on or before July 19, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Muriel B. Anderson, FEMA Information Collections Officer, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW, Room 316, Washington, DC 20472. Telephone number (202) 646-2625. FAX number (202) 646-3524, e-mail: muriel.anderson@fema.gov.

Dated: June 7, 1999.

Reginald Trujillo,

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