

Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.). The NEMSAC is authorized under Section 31108 of the Moving Ahead with Progress in the 21st Century Act of 2012.

### Tentative Agenda of the National EMS Advisory Council Meeting

The tentative NEMSAC agenda includes the following:

*Monday, October 15, 2018 (8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EDT)*

- (1) Call to Order, Introductions, and Opening Remarks (8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. EDT)
- (2) Swearing in of NEMSAC Members (9:00 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. EDT)
- (3) Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest by NEMSAC Members (9:15 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. EDT)
- (4) Approval of August 14–15, 2017 Meeting Minutes (9:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. EDT)
- (5) Federal Liaison Update—Reports and Updates from the Departments of Transportation, Homeland Security, and Health & Human Services (9:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. EDT)
- (6) Overview of the FICEMS Strategic Plan (10:30 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. EDT)
- (7) Public Comment Period (11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. EDT)
- (8) Recess for Lunch—(11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. EDT)
- (9) Continue discussion of FICEMS Strategic Plan (1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. EDT)
- (10) Review and Discussion of Previously Approved NEMSAC Recommendations (2:15 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. EDT)
- (11) Review of Ongoing NHTSA Projects (3:15 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. EDT)

*Tuesday, October 16, 2018 (8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. EDT)*

- (1) Reconvene and Introductions (8:30 a.m.–8:45 a.m. EDT)
- (2) Discussion of NEMSAC Focus Areas for 2018–2019 (9:30 a.m.–10:45 a.m. EDT)
- (3) Public Comment Period (10:45 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. EDT)
- (4) Continue Discussion of NEMSAC Focus Areas for 2018–2019 (10:45 a.m.–11:30 a.m. EDT)
- (5) Election of Chair and Vice-Chair (11:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m. EDT)
- (6) NEMSAC Next Steps and Wrap Up, and Adjourn (11:45 a.m.–12 Noon EDT)

*Registration Information:* This meeting will be open to the public; however, pre-registration is requested. Individuals wishing to attend must register online no later than October 8,

2018. For NEMSAC please register at: <https://www.connect.space/nemsac-2018>. For assistance with NEMSAC registration, please contact Gamunu Wijetunge at [Gamunu.Wijetunge@dot.gov](mailto:Gamunu.Wijetunge@dot.gov) or 202–493–2793. There will not be a teleconference option for this meeting.

*Public Comment:* Members of the public are encouraged to comment directly to the NEMSAC during designated public comment periods. In order to allow as many people as possible to speak, speakers are requested to limit their remarks to 5 minutes. Written comments from members of the public will be distributed to NEMSAC at the meeting and should reach the NHTSA Office of EMS no later than October 8, 2018. Written comments may be submitted by either one of the following methods: (1) You may submit comments by email: [nemsac@dot.gov](mailto:nemsac@dot.gov) or (2) you may submit comments by fax: (202) 366–7149.

A final agenda as well as meeting materials will be available to the public online through [www.EMS.gov](http://www.EMS.gov) on or before October 8, 2018.

**Authority:** 44 U.S.C. Section 3506(c)(2)(A).

Issued in Washington, DC, on September 20, 2018.

**Jeff Michael,**

*Associate Administrator, Research and Program Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

[Docket No. NHTSA 2018–0070]

#### Notice and Request for Comments

**AGENCY:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

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

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on August 8, 2017. No comments were received.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before October 25, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20503.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alrik L. Svenson, Office of Vehicle Safety Research, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590, Telephone: 202–366–0436.

Please identify the relevant collection of information by referring to its OMB Control Number.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Field Study of Newer Generation Heavy Vehicle Automatic Emergency Braking (AEB) Systems.

*OMB Control Number:* Not assigned.

*Type of Request:* New Information Collection.

*Abstract:* The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is assessing the benefits of crash avoidance technologies for heavy trucks that include Automatic Emergency Braking (AEB) to prevent fatalities, injuries, and property damage in crashes involving heavy vehicles. Previous studies have investigated crash problem size, economic cost, and preliminary safety benefits concerning these systems. The underlying methods of these studies have included test track evaluations, objective test procedures, technology field demonstrations, and “naturalistic” studies. As both of the major AEB system suppliers have released new products in the second half of 2017, NHTSA is interested in the real world performance of these new systems, which are designed to address the shortcomings of the previous generation of AEB systems. These systems have been designed to offer improved threat detection and new features such as stationary object braking. Additionally, a new product called Detroit Assurance™ was released in 2016 for Freightliner trucks by Detroit Diesel Corporation. This system shares many features with the OnGuard and Wingman® products including advanced emergency braking (AEB), forward collision warnings (FCW), and adaptive cruise control (ACC).

*Affected Public:* Commercial vehicle drivers who are assigned a single, specific commercial vehicle that is equipped with the eligible technologies. Trucking fleets (approximately 7–10) will be contacted first to see if they have trucks equipped with the technologies and would be willing to have their drivers participate in the study.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 175, after compensating for potential drop-outs.  
*Frequency:* Twice at the start of participation (demographic and initial CAS technology surveys), once at the

completion of participation approximately 3 months later.  
*Number of Responses:* Full participation in the study will include 3 responses for a total of 92 questions

per participant, plus a consent form that will be reviewed prior to participation.  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 110 minutes per respondent, including consent (204 hours total).  
*Estimated Total Annual Burden Cost:*

TABLE 1—ESTIMATED TOTAL ANNUAL BURDEN COST

Instrument	Number of respondents <sup>1</sup>	Frequency of responses	Number of questions	Estimated individual burden (minutes)	Total estimated burden hours (hours)	Total annualize cost to respondents <sup>2</sup>
Informed Consent Form .....	175	1	N/A	10	29	\$584.64
Demographic questionnaire .....	175	1	14	10	29	584.64
Initial CAS Technology Survey .....	175	1	33	25	73	1471.68
Final CAS Technology Survey .....	150	1	34	25	62.5	1260.00
<b>TOTAL</b> .....					<b>193.5</b>	<b>\$ 3900.96</b>

<sup>1</sup> The number of respondents in this table includes drop-out rates.

<sup>2</sup> Estimated based on the mean hourly rate nationwide for Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers of \$20.16 as reported in the May 2014 Occupational Employment and Wage Estimates, Bureau of Labor Statistics. [http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes\\_nat.htm#35-0000](http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes_nat.htm#35-0000).

*Public Comments Invited:* You are asked to comment on any aspects of this information collection, including (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

**Nathaniel Beuse,**

*Associate Administrator, Vehicle Safety Research.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Notice of Final Federal Agency Actions on Proposed Highway Projects in Texas**

**AGENCY:** Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), U.S. Department of Transportation.

**ACTION:** Notice of limitation on claims for judicial review of actions by TxDOT and Federal agencies.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces actions taken by TxDOT and Federal agencies that are final. The environmental

review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for these projects are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 16, 2014, and executed by FHWA and TxDOT. The actions relate to various proposed highway projects in the State of Texas. Those actions grant licenses, permits, and approvals for the projects.

**DATES:** By this notice, TxDOT is advising the public of final agency actions subject to 23 U.S.C. 139(l)(1). A claim seeking judicial review of TxDOT and Federal agency actions on the highway project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before February 25, 2019. If the Federal law that authorizes judicial review of a claim provides a time period of less than 150 days for filing such a claim, then that shorter time period still applies.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Carlos Swonke, Environmental Affairs Division, Texas Department of Transportation, 125 East 11th Street, Austin, Texas 78701; telephone: (512) 416-2734; email: [carlos.swonke@txdot.gov](mailto:carlos.swonke@txdot.gov). TxDOT's normal business hours are 8:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (central time), Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that TxDOT and Federal agencies have taken final agency actions by issuing licenses, permits, and approvals for the highway projects in the State of Texas that are listed below.

The actions by TxDOT and Federal agencies and the laws under which such actions were taken are described in the Categorical Exclusion (CE) or Environmental Assessment (EA) issued in connection with the projects and in

other key project documents. The CE or EA, and other key documents for the listed projects are available by contacting TxDOT at the address provided above.

This notice applies to all TxDOT and Federal agency decisions as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including but not limited to:

1. *General:* National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) [42 U.S.C. 4321–4351]; Federal-Aid Highway Act [23 U.S.C. 109].

2. *Air:* Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. 7401–7671(q).

3. *Land:* Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303]; Landscaping and Scenic Enhancement (Wildflowers), 23 U.S.C. 319.

4. *Wildlife:* Endangered Species Act [16 U.S.C. 1531–1544 and Section 1536], Marine Mammal Protection Act [16 U.S.C. 1361], Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act [16 U.S.C. 661–667(d)], Migratory Bird Treaty Act [16 U.S.C. 703–712].

5. *Historic and Cultural Resources:* Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended [54 U.S.C. 300101 *et seq.*]; Archeological Resources Protection Act of 1977 [16 U.S.C. 470(aa)–11]; Archeological and Historic Preservation Act [54 U.S.C. 312501 *et seq.*]; Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) [25 U.S.C. 3001–3013].

6. *Social and Economic:* Civil Rights Act of 1964 [42 U.S.C. 2000(d)–2000(d)(1)]; American Indian Religious Freedom Act [42 U.S.C. 1996]; Farmland Protection Policy Act (FPPA) [7 U.S.C. 4201–4209].