Title: Emergency Management Institute Residential Course Evaluation

OMB Number: 1660-0034.

Abstract: Students attending the Emergency Management Institute resident program courses at FEMA's NETC will be asked to complete a course evaluation form. The information will be used by EMI staff and management to identify problems with course materials, evaluate the quality of the course delivery, facilities, and instructors. The data received will enable them to recommend changes in course materials, student selection criteria, training experience and classroom environment.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government, Federal Government, Individuals and Households.

Number of Respondents: 10,027. Estimated Time per Respondent: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,671 hours.

Frequency of Response: Per course.

Comments: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at OMB, Attention: Desk Officer for the Department of Homeland Security/FEMA, Docket Library, Room 10102, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, or facsimile number (202) 395–7285. Comments must be submitted on or before March 3, 2006.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Chief, Records Management, FEMA, 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472, facsimile number (202) 646–3347, or email address FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

#### George S. Trotter,

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

# Federal Emergency Management Agency

## Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

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

SUMMARY: The Federal Emergency
Management Agency, as part of its
continuing effort to reduce paperwork
and respondent burden, invites the
general public and other Federal
agencies to take this opportunity to
comment on a proposed, revised
information collection. In accordance
with the Paperwork Reduction Act of
1995, this notice seeks comments
concerning National Defense Executive
Reserve Personal (NDRP) Qualifications
Statement.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NDER program was established by the Defense Production Act of 1950, as amended, section 710(e). Under Executive Order 12919, National Defense Industrial Resources Preparedness, June 3, 1994, part VI, section 601, the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency coordinates the NDER program activities of departments and agencies that have NDER units. The NDER is composed of persons with recognized expertise from industry, organized labor, professional

groups, and academia to serve in executive positions in the Federal Government during the event of an emergency that requires such employment. The head of a department or agency may activate an NDER unit in whole or in part, upon the written determination that an emergency affecting the national security or defense preparedness of the United States exists, and that the activation of the unit is necessary to carry out the emergency program functions of the department or agency.

#### **Collection of Information**

Title: The National Defense Executive Reserve Personal Qualifications Statement.

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

OMB Number: 1660–0001. Form Numbers: FEMA Form 85–3, National Defense Executive Reserve Personal Qualifications Statement.

Abstract: The NDER is a Federal government program coordinated by FEMA. To become a member of the NDER, individuals with the requisite qualifications must complete a FEMA Form 85-3 is an application form that is used by Federal departments and agencies to fill NDER vacancies and to ensure that individuals are qualified to perform in the assigned emergency positions. FEMA reviews the application form to ensure that the candidate meets all basic membership qualifications for the Executive Reserve; ensures that the applicant is not already serving in a Federal department or agency sponsored unit; and, in some cases, determines the Federal department or agency best suited for the applicant.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 15 hours.

# ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS

Project/Activity (Survey, Form(s), Focus Group, Worksheet, etc.)	No. of respondents	Frequency of responses	Burden hours	Annual responses	Total annual burden hours
	'	<u>'</u>	respondent	- (A×B)	(A×B×C)
	(A)	(B)	(C)		
FEMA Form 85–3	30	1	.5 hr (30 mins.)	30	15
TOTAL	30	1	.5	30	15

Estimated Cost: The total cost (all respondents combined) to respondents is \$1,693.00 with the average cost per respondent of \$34.00.

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) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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 within 60 days of the date of this notice.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit written comments to Chief, Records Management Section, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Room 316, Washington, DC 20472.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Ms. Margaret B. Roberts, Program Manager, National Defense Executive Reserve, Response and Recovery Directorate at (202) 646-3564. You may contact the Records Management Branch for copies of the proposed collection of information at facsimile number (202) 646-3347 or email address: FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

#### George Trotter,

Acting Branch Chief, Information Resources Management Branch, Information Technology Services Division.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

### **Federal Emergency Management** Agency

#### **Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on a proposed, revised information collection. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice seeks comments concerning the Flood Mitigation Assistance program requirements.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Program was created with the enactment of the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994. Section 553 of the Act authorizes a mitigation assistance program which FEMA has designated Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA). Section 554 establishes the National Flood Mitigation Fund to provide assistance under section 553. FMA regulations implement requirements of section 553 and 554 of the Act.

FMA was developed to address concerns regarding repetitively or substantially damaged structures, or both, and the associated claims on the National Flood Insurance Fund. The overall goal of FMA is to fund flood damage to buildings, manufactured homes, and other insurable structures.

The purpose of the planning grants is to develop or update a Flood Mitigation Plan that FEMA must approve before approving a project grant. Native American tribes or authorized tribal

organizations may submit applications to the State POC or directly to the FEMA Regional Director.

The regulations outline a basic planning process with minimum standards for the Flood Mitigation Plans. Existing plans, such as those credited through the Community Rating System or those prepared in conformance with section 322 of the Stafford Act, as amended by section 104 of the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, may meet the requirements of FMA with few or no modifications. The plan should summarize the planning process, and should be reviewed periodically by the community in order to remain a viable document. Flood Mitigation Plans must be formally adopted by the legal entity submitting the plan for FEMA approval.

#### **Collection of Information**

Title: Flood Mitigation Assistance— Flood Mitigation Plan.

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

OMB Number: 1660-0075. Form Numbers: None.

Abstract: States and communities must have a FEMA approved flood mitigation plan before FEMA will award project grant assistance to a State or

community applicant.

FEMA and the States will use local community flood mitigation plans to identify the need to provide technical assistance to local governments lacking sufficient resources to complete FMA grant applications. Secondly, and more importantly, the local or State government that develops the plan will use it to make land use decisions, implement zoning changes, encourage smarter development, and implement projects to reduce the impacts of flooding on insurable structures.

Affected Public: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 250,560.

#### **ANNUAL BURDEN HOURS**

Project/Activity (Survey, Form(s), Focus Group, Worksheet, etc.)	No. of respond- ents	Frequency of responses	Burden hours per respondent	Annual responses	Total annual burden hours
	(4)			(A×B)	
	(A)	(B)	(C)		(A×B×C)
New Flood Mitigation Plans	120	1	2080	120	249,600
Local Mitigation Plan Review by States	56	2.14	8	120	960
Total	176	_	2088	240	250,560

Estimated Cost: \$6,592,234.

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