

**SUMMARY:** FRA announces the fourth meeting of the Northeast Corridor Safety Committee, a Federal Advisory Committee mandated by Section 212 of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (PRIIA). The Committee is made up of stakeholders operating on the Northeast Corridor, and the purpose of the Committee is to provide annual recommendations to the Secretary of Transportation. NECSC meeting topics will include: Status of frequency spectrum recommendation to the Secretary, Northeast Corridor train inspection and testing, and a general discussion of safety issues.

**DATES:** The meeting of the NECSC is scheduled to commence on Thursday, June 13, 2013, at 9:00 a.m., and will adjourn by 4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The Northeast Corridor Safety Committee meeting will be held at the Hilton DoubleTree Hotel located at 1515 Rhode Island Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20005. The meeting is open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis, and is accessible to individuals with disabilities. Sign and oral interpretation can be made available if requested 10 calendar days before the meeting.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Larry Woolverton, NECSC Administrative Officer/Coordinator, FRA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Mailstop 25, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 493-6212; or Mr. Michael Logue, Acting Associate Administrator for Railroad Safety/Chief Safety Officer, FRA, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Mailstop 25, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 493-6300.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NECSC is mandated by a statutory provision in Section 212 of the PRIIA (codified at 49 U.S.C. 24905(f)). The Committee is chartered by the Secretary of Transportation and is an official Federal Advisory Committee established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. Title 5—Appendix.

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**Michael J. Logue,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

[FTA Docket No. FTA-2013-0020]

#### Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration, DOT.

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

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Transit Administration invites public comment about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval of the following new information collections:

49 U.S.C. Section 5307—Capital Assistance Program and Section 5309—Urbanized Area Formula Program;

49 U.S.C. Section 5310—Capital Assistance Program for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities and Section 5311—Nonurbanized Area Formula.

The information collected is necessary to determine eligibility of applicants and ensure the proper and timely expenditure of federal funds within the scope of each program. The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments was published on February 6, 2013 (Citation 78 FR 8690). No comments were received from that notice.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted before May 22, 2013. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** LaStar Matthews, Office of Administration, Office of Management Planning, (202) 366-2295.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* 49 U.S.C. Section—5307 Capital Assistance Program and Section 5309—Urbanized Area Formula Program; (OMB Number: 2132-0502).

*Abstract:* 49 U.S.C. Section 5307—Capital Assistance Program and Section 5309—Urbanized Area Formula Program authorize the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to State and local governments and public transportation authorities for financing mass transportation projects. In response to requirements authorized by the new legislation, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21), a Passenger Ferry Grant Program has been added under 49 U.S.C. 5307. The Passenger Ferry Grant Program is a new discretionary grant program that will award funding on a competitive selection basis. Grant recipients for 49 U.S.C. Sections 5307 and 5309 are required to make information available

to the public and publish a program of projects for affected citizens to comment on the proposed program and performance of the grant recipients at public hearings. Notices of hearings must include a brief description of the proposed project and be published in a newspaper circulated in the affected area. FTA also uses the information to determine eligibility for funding and to monitor the progress of the grantee in implementing and completing project activities. The information submitted ensures FTA's compliance with applicable federal laws, OMB Circular A-102 and 49 CFR part 18, "Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements with State and Local Governments."

*Respondents:* State and local government, business or other for-profit institutions and non-profit institutions.

*Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents:* Approximately 50 hours for each of the 3,345 respondents.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden:* 167,250 hours.

*Frequency:* Annual.

*Title:* 49 U.S.C. Section 5310—Capital Assistance Program for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities and Section 5311—Nonurbanized Area Formula Program; (OMB Number 2132-0500).

*Abstract:* 49 U.S.C. Section 5310—Capital Assistance Program for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities provides financial assistance for the specialized transportation service needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities in all areas, urbanized, small urban and rural. 49 U.S.C. 5311—Nonurbanized Area Formula Program provides financial assistance for the provision of public transportation services in nonurbanized areas. Both programs are administered by the State. The Tribal Transit Program, which was approved as a separate program under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), is now being added under 49 U.S.C. 5311. Under the new legislation, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century (MAP-21), the Tribal Transit Program continues to be a set-aside from the rural area formula program (Section 5311), but now consists of a \$25 million formula program and a \$5 million discretionary grant program. This program no longer provides a single apportionment to the State. It now provides apportionments specifically for large urbanized, small urbanized and rural areas and will require new designations in large urbanized areas. MAP-21 also expands the eligibility provisions to include operating expenses.

49 U.S.C. 5310 and 5311 authorize FTA to review applications for federal financial assistance to determine eligibility and compliance with statutory and administrative requirements. The applications must contain sufficient information to enable FTA to make the findings required by law to enforce the requirements of the programs. Information collected during the project management stage provides a basis for monitoring approved projects to ensure timely and appropriate expenditure of federal funds by grant recipients.

**Respondents:** State and local government, business or other for-profit institutions and non-profit institutions and small business organizations.

**Estimated Annual Burden on Respondents:** Approximately 111 hours for each of the 178 respondents.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden:** 20,775 hours.

**Frequency:** Annual.

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*Deputy Administrator for Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

### Federal Transit Administration

#### Limitation on Claims Against Proposed Public Transportation Projects

**AGENCY:** Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces final environmental actions taken by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for projects in the following locations: Village of Thomaston, Nassau County, NY; Detroit, MI; and Los Angeles, CA. The purpose of this notice is to announce publicly the environmental decisions by FTA on the subject projects and to activate the limitation on any claims that may challenge these final environmental actions.

**DATES:** By this notice, FTA is advising the public of final agency actions subject to Section 139(l) of Title 23, United States Code (U.S.C.). A claim seeking judicial review of the FTA actions announced herein for the listed public transportation project will be barred unless the claim is filed on or before September 19, 2013.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nancy-Ellen Zusman, Assistant Chief Counsel, Office of Chief Counsel, (312) 353-2577 or Terence Plaskon, Environmental Protection Specialist,

Office of Human and Natural Environment, (202) 366-0442. FTA is located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that FTA has taken final agency actions by issuing certain approvals for the public transportation projects listed below. The actions on the projects, as well as the laws under which such actions were taken, are described in the documentation issued in connection with the project to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and in other documents in the FTA administrative record for the projects. Interested parties may contact either the project sponsor or the relevant FTA Regional Office for more information on the project. Contact information for FTA's Regional Offices may be found at <http://www.fta.dot.gov>.

This notice applies to all FTA decisions on the listed projects as of the issuance date of this notice and all laws under which such actions were taken, including, but not limited to, NEPA [42 U.S.C. 4321-4375], Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966 [49 U.S.C. 303], Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act [16 U.S.C. 470f], and the Clean Air Act [42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q]. This notice does not, however, alter or extend the limitation period for challenges of project decisions subject to previous notices published in the **Federal Register**. The projects and actions that are the subject of this notice are:

1. **Project name and location:** Colonial Road Improvement Project, Village of Thomaston, Nassau County, NY. **Project sponsor:** Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) Long Island Rail Road. **Project description:** The Colonial Road Improvement Project will extend the existing Great Neck pocket track, install a crossover connecting the pocket track with Main Line track, replace the Colonial Road Bridge, and correct drainage deficiencies beneath the Colonial Road Bridge to improve track drainage. **Final agency actions:** No use determination of Section 4(f) resources; Section 106 finding of no adverse effect; project-level air quality conformity, and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), dated March 12, 2013. **Supporting documentation:** Environmental Assessment, dated December 2012.

2. **Project name and location:** Woodward Avenue Streetcar Project, Detroit, MI. **Project sponsor:** Michigan Department of Transportation. **Project**

**description:** The project consists of a 3.3-mile, fixed-rail, at-grade streetcar system located entirely within the right-of-way of Woodward Avenue from Larned Street in downtown Detroit to Chandler Street/Delaware Street, north of Grand Boulevard in New Center.

**Final agency actions:** No use determination of Section 4(f) resources; Section 106 Memorandum of Agreement, dated March 22, 2013; project-level air quality conformity; and Amended Record of Decision, dated April 5, 2013. **Supporting documentation:** Supplemental Environmental Assessment, dated February 2013.

3. **Project name and location:** Westside Subway Extension Project, Los Angeles, CA. **Project sponsor:** Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA). **Project description:** The project will extend heavy rail transit, in a subway, from the existing Metro Purple Line western terminus at the Wilshire/Western Station to a new western terminus at the Westwood/Veterans Affairs (VA) Hospital Station. LACMTA will construct a geotechnical exploratory test shaft near the planned Wilshire/Fairfax Station in order to study ground conditions and measure gas and soil pressures as part of the pre-construction activities related to the project. This notice only applies to the discrete actions taken by FTA at this time, as described below. Nothing in this notice affects FTA's previous decisions, or notice thereof, for this project. **Final agency actions:** FTA determination that neither a supplemental environmental impact statement nor a supplemental environmental assessment is necessary. **Supporting documentation:** Final Exploratory Shaft Environmental Technical Memorandum, documenting any potential environmental impacts from construction of the exploratory shaft and mitigation measures implemented.

4. **Project name and location:** Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Project, Los Angeles, CA. **Project sponsor:** Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA). **Project description:** The project will extend heavy rail transit from the existing Metro Exposition Line at Crenshaw and Exposition Boulevards to the Metro Green Line's Aviation/LAX Station. LACMTA proposes three modifications to the project. These modifications resulted from refinements to design and efforts to reduce cost, to respond to community concerns, reduce right-of-way acquisition, and to improve circulation. The proposed modifications