

8132 of the FECA (5 U.S.C. 8132) provides that the employee “shall refund to the United States that amount of compensation paid by the United States. . . .” To enforce the United States’ statutory right of reimbursement, the Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs (OWCP) has promulgated regulations. The regulations require a FECA beneficiary to report these types of payments (20 CFR 10.710) and submit the detailed information necessary to calculate the amount of the refund and surplus, if any, according to the formula in the statute (20 CFR 10.707(e)).

The information collected by Form CA-1108 and Form CA-1122 from the FECA beneficiary includes this information and is necessary to calculate the amount of the refund and surplus owed to the United States from the FECA beneficiary’s settlement or judgment, as required in the statute and the regulations. This information

collection is currently approved for use through August 31, 2015.

II. *Review Focus:* The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

* Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

* 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;

* enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

* 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 submissions of responses.

III. *Current Actions:* The Department of Labor seeks the approval for the extension of this currently approved information collection in order to exercise its responsibility to enforce the United States’ right to this refund. The information collected with Form CA-1108 and Form CA-1122 is used by SOL personnel to determine the amount to be reimbursed to the United States out of the proceeds of an action asserted by an injured Federal employee against a liable third party for a compensable injury.

Type of Review: Extension.

Agency: Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs.

Title: Statement of Recovery Forms.

OMB Number: 1240-0001.

Agency Number: CA-1108 and CA-1122.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit, Individuals or households.

Form	Time to complete (minutes)	Frequency of response	Number of respondents	Number of responses	Hours burden
CA-1108 Business Respondent	30	1	832	832	416
CA-1122 Individual Respondent	15	1	10	10	3
Totals	NA	NA	842	842	419

Total Respondents: 842.

Total Annual Responses: 842.

Average Time per Response: 15–30 minutes.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 419.

Frequency: As needed.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance): \$219.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 5, 2015.

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Agency Clearance Officer, Office of Workers’ Compensation Programs, U.S. Department of Labor.

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NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Public Comment on the Draft Federal Urban Design Element of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital: Federal Elements

AGENCY: National Capital Planning Commission.

ACTION: Notice of 60-day public comment period.

SUMMARY: The National Capital Planning Commission (NCP), the Planning Commission for the Federal Government within the National Capital Region, intends to release for public comment a draft new Federal Urban Design Element of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital: Federal Elements. The Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital: Federal Elements addresses matters relating to Federal Properties and Federal Interests in the National Capital Region, and provides a decision-making framework for actions the NCP takes on specific plans and proposals submitted by Federal government agencies for the NCP review required by law. The new Federal Urban Design Element provides policies that will guide the design and management of

federal buildings and properties so as to enhance their adjacent public realm. It will also provide a framework for federal actions related to enhancing the overall character of the District of Columbia and the National Capital Region. All interested parties are invited to submit written comment. The draft Federal Urban Design Element will be available online at <http://www.ncpc.gov/urbandesign> not later than May 8, 2015. Printed copies are available upon request from the contact person noted below.

DATES: *Dates and Time:* The public comment period closes on July 10, 2015. A public meeting to discuss the draft revisions to the new Federal Urban Design Element will be held on Monday June 1, 2015 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments or hand deliver comments on the draft revisions to Comprehensive Plan Public Comment, National Capital Planning Commission, 401 9th Street NW., Suite 500, Washington, DC 20004. The public meeting will be held at AIA|DC 421 7th Street NW., Washington, DC 20004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dereth Bush at (202) 482-7233 or urbandesign@ncpc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Access and Filing Addresses

You may submit comments electronically at the public comment portal at <http://www.ncpc.gov/urbanedesign/comment.html>.

Authority: (40 U.S.C. 8721(e)(2)).

Dated: May 6, 2015.

Anne R. Schuyler,
General Counsel.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION**Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Establish an Information Collection**

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to request approval of this collection. In accordance with the requirement of section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting OMB clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to send comments regarding the burden or any other aspect of this collection of information requirements by July 10, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Written comments regarding the information collection and requests for copies of the proposed information collection request should be addressed to Suzanne Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Rm. 1265, Arlington, VA 22230, or by email to splimpto@nsf.gov.

Comments: Written comments are invited on (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; or (d) ways to 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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Suite 1265, Arlington, Virginia 22230; telephone (703) 292-7556; or send email to splimpto@nsf.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including federal holidays).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Evaluation of the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Talent Expansion Program (STEP)

OMB Approval Number: 3145-NEW.

Expiration Date: Not applicable.

Overview of this information collection: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is supporting an evaluation of the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Talent Expansion Program (STEP). The primary objectives of the evaluation, stated generally, are to (a) analyze STEP implementation and outcome data from the participating institutions of higher education (IHEs), (b) compare these data to baseline data from the IHEs and matched comparison IHEs, and (c) produce a clear report of the findings to inform future programmatic activities focused on degree attainment in STEM. The evaluation will include surveys of principal investigators; extant data retrieval from Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), grantee proposals and annual reports, and STEP monitoring system; and extant outcome data collection from grantee and comparison IHEs that includes aggregate data for key indicators over time (from 2000 to 2015). These key indicators include (a) number of students who are science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) majors; (b) STEM retention rates; (c) persistence to a STEM degree; (d) number of STEM major transfers from 2-year associate programs into 4-year baccalaureate programs; (e) associate and baccalaureate degree attainment among STEM majors; and (f) enrollment in STEM courses. Additionally, in a subset of 10 IHEs, de-identified student level outcomes for participating students and comparison student counterparts will be collected (see Graduate 10K+ grants below).

NSF granted STEP awards to a geographically diverse set of two- and four-year IHEs, with the first round of grant awards beginning in the 2002-

2003 school year and new awards granted each year through the 2013-2014 school year. Over the course of the program, STEP awarded a total of 255 grants (129 of which are currently active). STEP supported 3 types of grants:

- **Type 1**—Type 1 grants supported the implementation of best practices in recruitment, retention, and degree attainment that would lead to an increase in the number of students obtaining associate or baccalaureate degrees in STEM or completing credits to transfer from associate to baccalaureate programs in a STEM discipline. Specific strategies implemented were based on an analysis of the needs of the undergraduate institution of higher education (IHE).

- **Type 2**—Type 2 grants supported educational research projects that helped identify best practices and further understanding of the factors influencing STEM recruitment, retention, and degree attainment.

- **Graduate 10K+**—In support of President Obama's 2012 initiative calling for "one million STEM graduates in ten years," a public-private collaboration among NSF, Intel, and the GE Foundation, with a generous personal donation from Mark Gallogly, established the Graduate 10K+ special funding focus in FY2013. Graduate 10K+ projects strived to improve first and second year retention rates in engineering and computer science, especially among women and other groups of students who are underrepresented in the attainment of degrees in those disciplines.

NSF is committed to providing stakeholders with information regarding the expenditures of taxpayer funds. The evaluation of STEP will assess the overall effect of STEP funding across STEP-funded IHEs; explore the types and combinations of STEP strategies, practices, and characteristics that are most effective at achieving the desired STEP outcomes; examine differences in outcomes across targeted disciplines; assess the effects of Graduate 10K+ funding on first- and second-year retention rates in engineering and computer science; and investigate the broad influence of STEP Type 2 projects to the base of quality, practical research in STEM education and in preparing new researchers to enter the field.

If NSF cannot collect information from STEP participants and comparison IHEs, NSF will have no other means to consistently assess the program outcomes and identify strategies, practices, and characteristics that are most effective at achieving those desired outcomes.