DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Highway Administration

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New Information Collection
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Title: Comment collection on the draft Traffic Noise Model’s (TNM) 3.0 Model Performance and Usability.
Background: 23 CFR 772 Procedures for Abatement of Highway Traffic Noise and Construction Noise Section 772.9(a) states that ‘any analysis required by this subpart must use the FHWA [Federal Highway Administration] Traffic Noise Model (TNM)’. This noise model is required for conducting traffic noise impact analysis in accordance with 23 CFR 772.11 and 23 CFR 772.13.
As part of FHWA’s ongoing efforts to address traffic noise impacts of highway projects on local communities, FHWA recently completed a new version of TNM. The draft TNM version 3.0 features a new User Interface (UI), updated acoustical information, and interoperability with the software packages for Esri’s ArcGIS®, Autodesk’s AutoCAD®, and Bentley’s MicroStation®. FHWA is releasing TNM version 3.0 as a draft to provide the public with an opportunity to use the model and become familiar with its functionality and UI. FHWA will review any comments and make necessary adjustment to the model before releasing a final version for use in highway noise impact analysis for Federal Aid Highway projects in the future.
The release of the draft TNM version 3.0 builds upon an earlier beta test by eight State Departments of Transportation (Georgia, Michigan, Minnesota, North Carolina, Ohio, Texas, Virginia, and Washington State). The beta testers provided valuable input to further improve the model’s UI. By releasing the draft TNM version 3.0, FHWA is allowing users to provide comments and feedback on the model in general including the model’s functionality, its interface with the software packages and its usability for a variety of project types. In order to encourage users to submit their comments, FHWA will set up an online portal on FHWA TNM version 3.0 Web site (http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/noise/traffic_noise_model/tnm_v30/) to collect comments in several broad categories such as functionality and aesthetics of the UI, interoperability with the external software packages, and the performance of the updated acoustics. This online portal will contain standardized questions to guide the public to submit their comments. It is this portal and its questions which are the subject of thisOMB ICR FR Notice.
Persons who elect to provide comments on the draft TNM version 3.0 will have to download the free software via the FHWA TNM version 3.0 Web site at: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/noise/traffic_noise_model/tnm_v30/. Participation by using the model and providing comments is entirely voluntary.
Respondents: Approximately 200 participants including the 52 State DOTs, consultant/contractors, researchers, academia and other interested transportation and environmental stakeholders.
Frequency: As needed. It is expected that users will input comments when they review the draft TNM version 3.0.
Estimated Average Burden per Response: Estimated time is approximately two weeks (80 hours) per participant over six months. Time will depend on the number and complexity of the situations the user is modeling.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: Approximately 64,000 hours over six months.
Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA’s draft TNM version 3.0 model performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB’s clearance of this information collection.
Michael Howell, Information Collections Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration

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FMCSA announces receipt of applications from 47 individuals for exemption from the prohibition against persons with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus (ITDM) operating commercial

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Steven Villanueva, Acting Director of Flight Service.

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Qaulification of Drivers; Exemption Applications; Diabetes Mellitus
AGENCY: Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA).
ACTION: Notice of applications for exemptions; request for comments.
SUMMARY: FMCSA announces receipt of applications from 47 individuals for exemption from the prohibition against persons with insulin-treated diabetes mellitus (ITDM) operating commercial