DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2018-ICCD-0116]

Agency Information Collection
Activities; Submission to the Office of
Management and Budget for Review
and Approval; Comment Request;
Application Forms and Instructions for
the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad
Program

AGENCY: Office of Postsecondary Education (OPE), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before December 5, 2018.

ADDRESSES: To access and review all the documents related to the information collection listed in this notice, please use http://www.regulations.gov by searching the Docket ID number ED-2018-ICCD-0116. Comments submitted in response to this notice should be submitted electronically through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at http:// www.regulations.gov by selecting the Docket ID number or via postal mail, commercial delivery, or hand delivery. Please note that comments submitted by fax or email and those submitted after the comment period will not be accepted. Written requests for information or comments submitted by postal mail or delivery should be addressed to the Director of the Information Collection Clearance Division, U.S. Department of Education, 550 12th Street SW, PCP, Room 9086, Washington, DC 20202-0023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Sara Starke, 202–453–7681.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed

information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Application Forms and Instructions for the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad Program.

OMB Control Number: 1840–0501. Type of Review: A reinstatement of a previously approved information collection.

Respondents/Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 300.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 900.

Abstract: The Department of Education (US/ED) is responsible for administering the Fulbright-Hays Seminars Abroad (SA) Program under authority of Section 102(b)(6) of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange (Fulbright-Hays) Act of 1961, as amended. The program is administered under the policies established by the J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB), a 12member body appointed by the President, US/ED recruits and recommends candidates for seminar positions abroad in accordance with FSB policies, which support the purposes of the Fulbright-Hays Act. The application is necessary in order for the Department to award funds under this program.

Dated: October 31, 2018.

Kate Mullan.

Acting Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Office of the Chief Privacy Officer, Office of Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Agency Information Collection Extension

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE), pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995), intends to extend for three years, an information collection request with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before January 4, 2019. If you anticipate difficulty in submitting comments within that period, contact the person listed below as soon as possible.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent to Courtney Bracey by email at *Courtney.Bracey@science.doe.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Courtney Bracey, courtney.bracey@science.doe.gov, (301) 903–1844.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the extended 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, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (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 through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. This information collection request contains:

(1) OMB No. {1910–5178};

(2) Information Collection Request Title: Portfolio Analysis and Management System (PAMS);

(3) Type of Review: {extension}; (4) Purpose: This existing collection is based on the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Electronic Handbooks software. Discretionary financial assistance proposals continue to be collected using Grants.gov but are imported into PAMS for use by the program offices. Under the existing information collection, an external interface in PAMS allows two other types of proposal submission: DOE National Laboratories are able to submit proposals for technical work authorizations directly into PAMS, while other Federal Agencies will be able to submit Proposals for interagency awards directly into PAMS. External users from all institution types are able to submit Solicitation Letters of Intent and Pre-proposals directly into PAMS. All applicants, whether they submitted

through *Grants.gov* or PAMS, are able to register with PAMS to view the proposals that were submitted. They also are able to maintain a minimal amount of information in their personal profile. The existing collection automates and streamlines the submission, tracking, and correspondence portions of financial award pre-review processes.

The information collected is used by DOE to select applicants and projects for financial awards;

- (5) Annual Estimated Number of Respondents: {The following numbers are calculated using the average of data received in fiscal year 2015 through fiscal year 2018. 6,533 PAMS new registrants, who are to include 9,700 submitters of lab proposals, interagency proposals, pre-proposals, and Letters Of Intent (LOI) (assuming one person per estimated submission) and 10,900 reviewers of proposals submitted through Grants.gov;
- (6) Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: Annual Estimated Number of Total Responses: The Office of Science receives about 370 DOE national laboratory and interagency proposals per year, based on an average number of submissions received for (fiscal year 2015 through fiscal year 2018) and about 4,600 pre-proposals and letters of intent per year, based on an average of the data collected between fiscal year 2015 and fiscal year 2018;
- (7) Annual Estimated Number of Burden Hours: The time it takes to complete a form depends upon the type of form being completed. External users will need to register with PAMS in order to access the system. It takes approximately 30 minutes for external users to complete the forms required to become a registered PAMS user. Both LOI and pre-proposal forms take 15 minutes each, whereas completing a lab/interagency proposal will take about 3 hours. The reviewers require about 3 hour of analysis, per submission. Based on the annual estimated number of responses, broken down by DOE national laboratory, letter of intent and pre-proposal, the annual estimated time required for reviewers to complete analysis or responses and the time required for external users to register with PAMS, the estimated annual number of burden hours is 30.150:
- (8) Annual Estimated Reporting and Recordkeeping Cost Burden: \$0.

Statutory Authority: Section 641 of the Department of Energy Organization Act, codified at 42 U.S.C. 7251. Signed in Washington, DC, on October 22, 2018.

Vasilios Kountouris,

Director, Office of Information Technology and Services, Office of Science, Department of Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Savannah River Site

AGENCY: Department of Energy, Office of Environmental Management.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Savannah River Site. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the Federal Register.

DATES:

Monday, November 26, 2018, 1 p.m.– 5 p.m.

Tuesday, November 27, 2018, 9 a.m.– 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Partridge Inn, 2110 Walton Way, Augusta, GA 30904.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amy Boyette, Office of External Affairs, Department of Energy, Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, SC, 29802; Phone: (803) 952–6120.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE–EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

Monday, November 26, 2018

Opening, Chair Update, and Agenda Review

Agency Updates

Break

Administrative & Outreach Committee Update

Facilities Disposition & Site Remediation Committee Update Nuclear Materials Committee Update Strategic & Legacy Management Committee Update

Waste Management Committee Update Presentation: Defense Waste Processing Facility and Glass Waste Storage Status

Discussion of Draft Recommendation: Pollinator Management Program Public Comments

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Tuesday, November 27, 2018

Reconvene Agenda Review

Presentations

- Annual Site Environmental Report
- Environmental Management Systems
- Plutonium Disposition Options Lunch Break

Presentations

- DOE-EM Performance Metrics
- National Environmental Research Park

Break

Presentations

- Solid Waste Program, Naval Waste and Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) update
- Mercury in the Liquid Waste System

Public Comments Voting on Recommendations Adjourn

Public Participation: The EM SSAB, Savannah River Site, welcomes the attendance of the public at its advisory committee meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact Amy Boyette at least seven days in advance of the meeting at the phone number listed above. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Amy Boyette's office at the address or telephone listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Amy Boyette at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following website: http://cab.srs.gov/srs-cab.html.

Signed in Washington, DC on October 31, 2018.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer. [FR Doc. 2018–24137 Filed 11–2–18; 8:45 am]

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