

Background and Purpose

On April 5, 2017, the Coast Guard announced the completion of the Atlantic Coast Port Access Route Study in the **Federal Register** (82 FR 16510), which is available for viewing and download from the Coast Guard Navigation Center's website at <https://www.navcen.uscg.gov/port-access-route-studies>.

The ACPARS identified navigation safety corridors along the Atlantic Coast based on the predominant two-way vessel traffic and customary routes confirmed with AIS data for offshore deep draft and coastal seagoing tug/tow vessels. The study recommended using these corridor locations to establish shipping safety fairways or other appropriate vessel routing measures.

Recognizing the ACPARS only analyzed coastal, longshore, and predominantly north/south vessel transit routes along the Atlantic Coast, the Coast Guard announced new studies focused on port approaches and international entry and departure areas along the Atlantic Coast to supplement the ACPARS on March 15, 2019 (84 FR 9541). On September 9, 2022, the Coast Guard announced the availability of the Consolidated Port Approaches and International Entry and Departure Transit Areas Port Access Route Studies, (CPAPARS) (87 FR 55449). The CPAPARS summarizes the findings of four regional port access route studies: the Northern New York Bight; Seacoast of New Jersey Including Offshore Approaches to the Delaware Bay, Delaware; Approaches to the Chesapeake Bay, Virginia; and the Seacoast of North Carolina; as well as ongoing dialogue with the maritime industry.

To provide continued engagement with stakeholders, the Coast Guard announced the availability of an updated CPAPARS report and provided a ninety-day comment period (88 FR 15055).

Discussion of Comments

Comments were submitted by representatives of the maritime community, wind energy developers, a state government agency, and private citizens.

Most comments were concerned with the recommended shipping safety fairways' proximity to and impact on potential offshore wind energy areas. To address these concerns, the Coast Guard has been working extensively with the Bureau of Ocean Energy management (BOEM) throughout the development of the incoming Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) proposing fairways

along the Atlantic Coast.¹ The forthcoming NPRM will outline the adjustments that have been made to the fairway dimensions and the work we have done with BOEM to identify and resolve any conflicts.

One commenter urged the Coast Guard to consider underwater cables when designing the fairways. We have considered all known underwater cables and their potential impacts on the proposed fairways, TSS, and precautionary areas. None were found to restrict, endanger, or interfere with navigation.

Another commenter asked us to consider the impacts on the fairways on the White House's offshore wind development goals. We do, and we believe that these goals are best served by the establishment of consistent and well-defined fairways.

One commenter recommended that the Coast Guard coordinate with the Department of Defense to ensure that the fairways would have no impact on national security. We have and will continue to do so throughout the fairway establishment process.

One commenter requested that the Coast Guard acknowledge that vessels in the U.S. EEZ are permitted to navigate through wind farms in contrast to Europe, where vessels must avoid wind energy areas wholesale. We acknowledge this but believe that protecting these wind energy areas from the hazards associated with navigating vessels is the best way to help The White House achieve its renewable energy goals.

One commenter believed that the PARS methodology could be improved using a more granular approach and challenged the Coast Guard's use of the World Association for Waterborne Transport Infrastructure (PIANC) methodology. The USCG uses the PIANC as a starting place to determine widths for historic shipping routes. Marine planners review and adjust the widths based on input from stakeholders, AIS data sets broken down by ship type, and through collaboration with other ocean users (e.g., renewable energy lessees). The final fairway widths are finalized based on this collaboration among all parties to ensure safe and equitable design of fairways on the OCS.

This commenter also requested an explanation for the variability in fairway width. The fairways vary in width because they have been intentionally designed to accommodate OCS

development. The fairways have been designed in coordination with BOEM and the relevant stakeholders and the variability is a result of this coordination.

This notice is being issued under authority located in 5 U.S.C. 552(a) as well as 46 U.S.C. 70003.

The Coast Guard.

Dated: August 21, 2023.

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U.S. Coast Guard.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-7070-N-49]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Distressed Cities Technical Assistance NOFO; OMB Control No.: 2528-0326

AGENCY: Office of Policy Development and Research, Chief Data Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD is seeking approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for the information collection described below. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, HUD is requesting comment from all interested parties on the proposed collection of information. The purpose of this notice is to allow for an additional 30 days of public comment.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* September 27, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. Interested persons are also invited to submit comments regarding this proposal and comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Anna Guido, Clearance Officer, REE, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 8210, Washington, DC 20410-5000; email PaperworkReductionActOffice@hud.gov.

¹ <https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/eAgendaViewRule?pubId=202204&RIN=1625-AC57>. Last visited July 20, 2023.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anna P. Guido, Reports Management Officer, REE, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW, Room 8210, Washington, DC 20410; phone number 202-402-5535 or email: PaperworkReductionActOffice@hud.gov. This is not a toll-free number, HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals with speech or communication disabilities. To learn more about how to make an accessible telephone call, please visit: <https://www.fcc.gov/consumers/guides/telecommunications-relay-service-trs>.

Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Guido.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD is seeking approval from OMB for the information collection described in Section A.

The **Federal Register** notice that solicited public comment on the information collection for a period of 60 days was published on May 4, 2023 at 88 FR 28598.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Distressed Cities Technical Assistance NOFO.
OMB Approval Number: 2528-0326.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Form Number: SF-424, SF-LLL, HUD-2880. HUD-424-B.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Application information is needed to determine the competition winners, *i.e.*, the technical assistance providers best able to help distressed communities adopt effective, efficient, and sustainable financial management practices, build capacity for financial management, economic revitalization, affordable housing, and disaster recovery, and improve knowledge of federal development programs.

Respondents: Organizations.

Information collection	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Responses per annum	Burden hour per response	Annual burden hours	Hourly cost per response	Annual cost
Pre-Award*							
Narrative Response to Rating Factors	5	1	5	20.00	100.00	\$28.53	\$2,853.00
SF-424							
HUD-424-B	5	1	5	0.25	1.25	28.53	35.66
HUD-2880 Applicant/Recipient Disclosure/Update Report	5	1	5	0.25	1.25	28.53	35.66
SF-LLL Disclosure of Lobbying Activities							
Total				20.5	102.5	28.53	2,924.33

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

(1) 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;

(2) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;

(3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, *e.g.*, permitting electronic submission of responses.

(5) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. HUD encourages interested parties to submit comments in response to these questions.

C. Authority

Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35.

Anna P. Guido,

Department Reports Management Office, Office of Policy Development and Research, Chief Data Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-7077-N-15]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of Multifamily Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Rescindment of a system of records notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is issuing a public notice of its intent to rescind the Integrated Real Estate Management System (iREMS). During a routine review of Multifamily Housing system of records notices, it was determined that this system of records is no longer necessary because personally identifiable information is not used in the retrieval process of the iREMS system.

DATES: This proposed action will be effective immediately upon publication.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by one of the following methods:

Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions provided on that site to submit comments electronically.

Fax: 202-619-8365.

Email: www.privacy@hud.gov.

Mail: Attention: Privacy Office;

LaDonne White, Chief Privacy Officer; The Executive Secretariat; 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 10139; Washington, DC 20410-0001.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this rulemaking. All comments received will be posted without change to <http://www.regulations.gov> including any personal information provided.

Docket: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

LaDonne White; 451 Seventh Street SW, Room 10139; Washington, DC 20410-0001; telephone number 202-708-3054 (this is not a toll-free number). HUD welcomes and is prepared to receive calls from individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as individuals with speech or communication