

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

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Information Collection; Generic Clearance for NASA Citizen Science and Crowdsourcing Projects.

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of renewal of information collection.

SUMMARY: NASA, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995.

DATES: Comments are due by October 13, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for this information collection should be sent within 60 days of publication of this notice at <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for NASA Docket [NASA–2026–0397].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to NASA PRA Clearance Officer, Stayce Hoult, NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW, JC0000, Washington, DC 20546, or email hq-ocio-pra-program@mail.nasa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Citizen science and crowdsourcing are tools that engage, educate and empower the public to apply their curiosity and contribute their talents to a wide range of scientific and societal issues. NASA's mission to *reach for new heights and reveal the unknown so that what we do and learn will benefit all humankind*. NASA uses the vantage point of space to achieve with the science community and our partners a deep scientific understanding of our planet, other planets and solar system bodies, the interplanetary environment, the Sun and its effects on the solar system, and the universe beyond. Citizen science and crowdsourcing can support NASA's mission and purpose by providing new opportunities to explore our solar system and our own home planet like never before, producing critical data that expands our knowledge of the universe, and advancing our ability to provide societal

benefit through the synergy of satellite and ground-based observations.

NASA is committed to effectively performing the Agency's communication function in accordance with the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958, Section 203(a)(3), as amended states "provide for the widest practicable and appropriate dissemination of information concerning its activities and the results thereof", and to enhance public understanding of, and participation in, the Nation's aeronautics and space programs.

II. Methods of Collection

Citizen science and crowdsourcing collections submitted under this generic clearance can be stand-alone projects or the methods may be incorporated into an existing or new project, including, but not limited to, projects in the following typology:

- Data gathering projects. These projects may include: (1) Observation, characterization and documentation of natural phenomena or general environmental health observations, opinions, or preferences or (2) surveying participants or screening environmental conditions, including using specialized equipment provided by project leaders to record and submit data, or submitting samples plus descriptors (e.g., of air or water) for testing. Data may be collected using technologies mentioned above, through structured data forms, surveys, focus groups or interviews, submitting photographs or other media, surveys or questionnaires, or providing written observations.

- Classification/problem solving projects. Participants' tasks may include: (1) Observation of recorded materials provided by project organizers (images, video, etc.) through structured data submission forms, surveys or questionnaires in an online or computer program, clicking boxes, highlighting parts of text or image, and providing comments and/or annotations; (2) Classification of images or sounds using structured data submission forms or clicking boxes in an online or computer program; (3) Transcribing information, by typing handwritten logs or notes; (4) Performing a function meant to generate human behavior data; or (5) Problem-solving or manipulation of data. Tasks 1–5 may be conducted via structured actions or instructions or through the use of "human-based computational game" or "game with a purpose", a human-based computational technique in which a computational process performs its function by presenting certain steps to humans in an entertaining way.

III. Data

Title: Generic Clearance for NASA Citizen Science and Crowdsourcing Projects.

OMB Number: 2700–0168.

Type of review: Renewal of information collection.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Annual Responses: 50,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 10 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 8,333 hours.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NASA, including whether the information collected has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of NASA's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) 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 respondents, including automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection. They will also become a matter of public record.

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NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS ADMINISTRATION

[NARA–2026–035]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: National Archives and Records Administration (NARA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed extension request.

SUMMARY: We are proposing to request an extension from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of an approved information collection, Facility Access Media (FAM) Request, NA Form 6006, used by all individuals requesting recurring access to non-public areas of NARA's facilities and IT network. We invite you to comment on these proposed information collections