

CFR section	Respondent universe	Total annual responses	Average time per response	Total annual burden hours	Wage rates ⁴	Total cost equivalent U.S. D
		(A)	(B)	(C = A * B)	(D = C * wage rates)	
—(b)(3) Status report to FRA of implementation of improvements in the improvement plan.	32 passenger rail operations	2 reports	4 hours	8 hours	90.19	721.52
270.409 Requirements for an FRMP plan (Previously reported under 2130–0633)						
	1 new passenger rail operation	0.33 plans	78 hours	25.74 hours	90.19	2,321.49
—(a) through (d)— New FRMP plan as part of an SSP containing the following elements: • Analysis of fatigue risk • Mitigation strategies • Evaluation—processes to monitor the overall effectiveness of the FRMP • FRMP implementation plan						
—Initial meeting with FRA to review FRMP plan.	1 new passenger rail operation	0.33 meetings	16 hours	5.28 hours	90.19	476.20
—Amendments to FRMP plans already approved (§ 270.405(c)(2)).	32 passenger rail operations	2 amended plans ...	40 hours	80 hours	90.19	7,215.20
Appendix B to 270						
—Additional documents provided to FRA upon request.	32 passenger rail operations + 1 new passenger rail operation.	4 documents	15 minutes	1 hour	90.19	90.19
Totals ⁵	33 Passenger rail operations ...	233 responses		1,781 hours		164,516.50

Total Estimated Annual Responses: 233.

Total Estimated Annual Burden: 1,781 hours.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour Dollar Cost Equivalent: \$164,516.50.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Railroad Administration

[Docket No. FRA–2026–1585]

Proposed Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) and its implementing regulations, FRA seeks approval of the Information Collection Request (ICR) summarized below. Before submitting this ICR to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval, FRA is soliciting public comment on specific aspects of the activities identified in the ICR.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 13, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed ICR should be submitted on <https://www.regulations.gov> to Docket No. FRA–2026–1585. All comments received will be posted without change to the docket, including any personal information provided. Please refer to the

assigned OMB control number (2130–0610) in any correspondence submitted. FRA will summarize comments received in response to this notice in a subsequent notice, made available to the public, and include them in its information collection submission to OMB for approval.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Joanne Swafford, Information Collection Clearance Officer, at email: joanne.swafford@dot.gov or telephone: (757) 897–9908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PRA, 44 U.S.C. 3501–3520, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, require Federal agencies to provide 60 days' notice to the public to allow comment on information collection activities before seeking OMB approval of the activities. See 44 U.S.C. 3506, 3507; 5 CFR 1320.8 through 1320.12. Specifically, FRA invites interested parties to comment on the following ICR regarding: (1) whether the information collection activities are necessary for FRA to properly execute its functions, including whether the activities will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of FRA's estimates of the burden of the information collection activities, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used to determine the estimates; (3) ways for FRA to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information being

⁴ The dollar equivalent cost is derived from the 2024 Surface Transportation Board Full Year Wage A&B data series using employee group 200 (Professional & Administrative) hourly wage rate of \$51.54 and employee group 100 (Executives, Officials, & Staff Assistants) hourly wage rate of \$69.27. The total burden wage rate (straight time plus 75%) used in the table is \$90.19 (\$51.54 × 1.75 = \$90.19) and \$121.22 (\$69.27 × 1.75 = \$121.22).

⁵ Totals may not add up due to rounding.

collected; and (4) ways for FRA to minimize the burden of information collection activities on the public, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology. *See* 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1).

FRA believes that soliciting public comment may reduce the administrative and paperwork burdens associated with the collection of information that Federal regulations mandate. In summary, comments received will advance three objectives: (1) reduce reporting burdens; (2) organize information collection requirements in a “user-friendly” format to improve the use of such information; and (3) accurately assess the resources expended to retrieve and produce information requested. *See* 44 U.S.C. 3501.

The summary below describes the ICR that FRA will submit for OMB clearance as the PRA requires:

Title: Risk Reduction Program.

OMB Control Number: 2130–0610.

Abstract: In 2020, FRA issued a final rule¹ that requires each Class I freight railroad and each freight railroad with inadequate safety performance (ISP) to develop and implement a Risk Reduction Program (RRP) to improve the safety of its operations. Class II and III freight railroads may also voluntarily comply with the RRP rule by establishing and implementing an RRP meeting the regulatory requirements.² A railroad that volunteers for RRP must continue to comply with the rule’s requirements for a minimum period of 5 years.³

An RRP is a comprehensive, system-oriented approach to safety that determines a railroad operation’s level of risk by identifying and analyzing applicable hazards, and developing plans to mitigate, if not eliminate, that risk. An RRP must also include a Fatigue Risk Management Program (FRMP) component.⁴ The purpose of an FRMP is to improve railroad safety through structured, systematic, and proactive processes and procedures that a railroad develops and implements to identify and mitigate the effects of fatigue on its employees.⁵ Each railroad has flexibility to tailor an RRP to its specific railroad operations. Each railroad must implement its RRP under a written, FRA-approved RRP plan and conduct an annual internal assessment of its RRP, with FRA also auditing railroads’ RRP. The information collected under this regulation will be used by railroads to improve safety through structured, proactive processes that systematically evaluate railroad safety hazards on their systems and manage the risks associated with those hazards to help reduce the number and rates of railroad accidents/incidents, injuries, and fatalities. FRA will also use the collected information to audit railroads’ RRP and otherwise ensure compliance with the requirements of the RRP rule.

In this 60-day notice, FRA made multiple adjustments to the previously approved burden hours. While some reported burden hours have increased, the overall burden hours have decreased from the previously approved 60,860 hours to 31,192 hours. In general, the revised estimates reflect that the estimated number of ISP rail operations

has decreased from 15 to 2, the estimated number of voluntarily compliant railroads has increased from 0 to 10, and that all Class I railroads have RRP plans in place and FRA does not anticipate any new Class I railroads beginning operations in the 3-year period of this information collection.

Furthermore, under § 271.107, which requires a safety outreach program, FRA determined that the previously reported burden was over-estimated because it included burdens that were already accounted for in the rulemaking economic analysis. Specifically, the burden hours included time spent by railroad personnel involved in safety outreach activities (*e.g.*, reading emails, watching education videos, etc.). For this submission, the burden hours are therefore reduced from 44,333 hours to 50 hours. This more accurately reflects time a railroad spends on managing the safety outreach program and RRP safety communications (*e.g.*, developing outreach materials such as emails, pamphlets, and videos) to railroad personnel.

To more effectively manage its ICRs, FRA is also incorporating into this ICR the burden hours under 49 CFR 271.609, *Requirements for an FRMP Plan*, currently reported under 2130–0633, Fatigue Risk Management Program. The table below details the specific paperwork requirements and associated burden hours added for § 271.609.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Businesses.

Form(s): N/A.

Respondent Universe: Business (Railroads).

Frequency of Submission: On occasion.

¹ 85 FR 9262 (Feb. 18, 2020).

² 49 CFR 271.15 and 49 U.S.C. 20156(a)(4).

³ 49 CFR 271.15.

⁴ 87 FR 35660 (June 13, 2022).

⁵ 49 CFR 271.603.

49 CFR Part 271	Respondent Universe	Total Annual Responses (A)	Avg. Time per Response (B)	Total Annual Burden Hours (A*B=C)	Wage Rate ⁶	Total Cost Equivalent U.S.D. (D=C* wage rate)
271.13 Determination of inadequate safety performance (ISP).						
— (c) Notice to employees of possible ISP identification by FRA	Class II and III railroads	2 notices	3 hours	6 hours	\$90.19	\$541.14
— (i) Employee confidential comments to FRA regarding railroad (RR) possible ISP identification	employees	2 comments	30 minutes	1 hours	\$90.19	\$90.19
— (ii) RR documentation to FRA refuting possible ISP identification	2 ISP railroads	2 documents	8 hours	16 hours	\$90.19	\$1,443.04
— (f) and (g) RR petition for reconsideration of ISP determination and petition to discontinue compliance with part	2 ISP railroads	0.67 petition	16 hours	10.72 hours	\$90.19	\$966.84
271.15 Voluntary compliance.						
— (c) Notification to discontinue voluntary compliance after five-year period.	8 volunteer railroads	2 notifications	1 hour	2 hours	\$90.19	\$180.38
271.101 Risk Reduction Programs.						
— (c) Communication by Class I RRs that host passenger train services with RRs subject to FRA System Safety Program requirements	6 Class I railroads	40 meetings	2 hours	80 hours	\$90.19	\$7,215.20
271.103 Risk-based hazard management program.						
— RRP hazard management program (HMPs)	6 Class I railroads	6 HMPs analyses	3,360 hours	20,160 hours	\$90.19	\$1,818,230.40
	2 ISP railroads	2 HMPs analyses	240 hours	480 hours	\$90.19	\$43,291.20
	10 volunteer railroads	2 HMPs analyses	240 hours	480 hours	\$90.19	\$43,291.20

— RRP employee training records	6 Class I railroads	30 records	3 minute s	1.50 hours	\$90.19	\$135.29
	2 ISP railroads	10 records	3 minute s	0.50 hours	\$90.19	\$45.10
	10 volunteer railroads	50 records	3 minute s	2.50 hours	\$90.19	\$225.48
271.201 General.						
— Written RRP plans— Adoption and implementation of RRP plans	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					
	2 ISP railroads	2 RRP plans	96 hours	192 hours	\$90.19	\$17,316.48
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 RRP plans	96 hours	192 hours	\$90.19	\$17,316.48
271.205 System description.						
— (a)(3) and (4) Identification of all persons that perform or utilize significant safety- related services on the railroad's behalf and describe how such persons will support and participate in the railroad's RRP	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					
	2 ISP railroads	2 system descriptions	1 hour	2 hours	\$90.19	\$180.38
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 system descriptions	1 hour	2 hours	\$90.19	\$180.38
271.207 Consultation requirements.						
— (b) Good faith consultation preliminary meeting	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					
— (b)(2) ISP railroads good faith consultation meeting	2 ISP railroads	2 meetings	4 hours	8 hours	\$90.19	\$721.52
— Notification to directly affected employees of consultation meeting (represented and non- represented)	2 ISP railroads	10 notifications	15 minute s	2.50 hours	\$90.19	\$225.48
— (b)(4) Volunteer railroads good faith consultation meeting	2 new volunteer railroads	2 meetings	4 hours	8 hours	\$90.19	\$721.52
— Notification to directly affected employees of consultation meeting (represented and non- represented)	2 new volunteer railroads	10 notifications	15 minute s	2.50 hours	\$90.19	\$225.48
— (d) Submission of detailed consultation	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					

statement along w/RRP plan	2 ISP railroads	2 consults/ statements	8 hours	16 hours	\$90.19	\$1,443.04
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 consults/ statements	8 hours	16 hours	\$90.19	\$1,443.04
— Statements from directly affected employees	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					
	2 ISP railroads	0.33 statements	1 hour	0.33 hours	\$90.19	\$29.76
	2 new volunteer railroads	0.33 statements	1 hour	0.33 hours	\$90.19	\$29.76
271.301 Filing and approval.						
— (a) Copy of RRP plan submitted to FRA	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					
	2 ISP railroads	2 filed plans	2 hours	4 hours	\$90.19	\$360.76
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 filed plans	2 hours	4 hours	\$90.19	\$360.76
— (b)(4)(i) Written notice submitted to FRA of a railroad's intent to comply voluntarily with the RRP rule	2 new volunteer railroads	2 written notice	1 hour	2 hours	\$90.19	\$180.38
— (d)(3) Submission of corrected RRP plan when deficiencies are found by FRA	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					
	2 ISP railroads	2 corrected RRP plans	2 hours	4 hours	\$90.19	\$360.76
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 corrected RRP plans	2 hours	4 hours	\$90.19	\$360.76
— Further consultation with directly affected employees regarding corrections and updated consultation statement	The PRA burden associated with this requirement for Class I RRs has been completed.					
	2 ISP railroads	2 consults/ statements	1 hour	2 hour	\$90.19	\$180.38
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 consults/ statements	1 hour	2 hour	\$90.19	\$180.38
271.303 Amendments.						
— (a) Amendments consultation w/directly	18 railroads	2 consults	1 hour	2 hours	\$90.19	\$180.38

— FRA will conduct external audits of a RR's RRP. Each audit evaluates the RR's compliance with the elements of its RRP plan and how the RRP is promoting/supporting a positive safety culture under § 271.101(a). — RR response to FRA's written notice	18 railroads (6 Class I + 2 ISP + 10 volunteers)	7 written responses	4 hours	28 hours	\$90.19	\$2,525.32
271.609 Requirements for an FRMP plan.						
— (a) through (d) New FRMP plan containing the following elements: • Analysis of fatigue risk • Mitigation strategies • Evaluation – processes to monitor the overall effectiveness of the FRMP • FRMP implementation plan • Consultation with directly affected employees on FRMP plan contents	6 Class I railroads	FRA anticipates there will be no new Class I FRMPs submitted over the next three-year period.				
	2 ISP railroads	2 plans	76 hours	152 hours	\$90.19	\$13,708.88
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 plans	76 hours	152 hours	\$90.19	\$13,708.88
— Initial meeting with FRA to review FRMP plan.	6 Class I railroads	FRA anticipates there will be no new Class I FRMPs submitted over the next three-year period.				
	2 ISP railroads	2 meetings	16 hours	32 hours	\$90.19	\$2,886.08
	2 new volunteer railroads	2 meetings	16 hours	32 hours	\$90.19	\$2,886.08
— Amendments to FRMP plans already approved (§ 271.605(c)(2)).	6 Class I railroads	2 amended plans	40 hours	80 hours	\$90.19	\$7,215.20
	2 ISP railroads	2 amended plans	20 hours	40 hours	\$90.19	\$3,607.60
	10 volunteer railroads	2 amended plans	20 hours	40 hours	\$90.19	\$3,607.60
Totals ⁷	18 railroads	426 responses		31,192 hours		\$2,812,135.77

Total Estimated Annual Responses:
426.

Total Estimated Annual Burden:
31,192 hours.

*Total Estimated Annual Burden Hour
Dollar Cost Equivalent:* \$2,812,135.77.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Notice of OFAC Sanctions Action

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) based on OFAC's determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: This action was issued on August 7, 2026. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for relevant dates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

OFAC: Associate Director for Global Targeting, 202–622–2420; Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance, 202–622–2490 or <https://ofac.treasury.gov/contact-ofac>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The SDN List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's website: <https://ofac.treasury.gov>.

Notice of OFAC Actions

On August 7, 2026, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are blocked under the relevant sanctions authorities listed below.

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