avoid or otherwise mitigate potential significant effects.

I.A. Process of Establishing a CATEX

Federal agencies may establish a category of CATEX via one of two methods—establishing an original CATEX under the CEQ's guidance, Memorandum for Heads of Federal Departments and Agencies, April 9, 2026. Subject: Establishing, Revising, Adopting, and Applying Categorical Exclusions Under the National Environmental Policy Act, or via adopting a CATEX from another Federal agency.

Section 109 of NEPA, enacted as part of the Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023, allows a Federal agency to adopt another Federal agency's CATEX (42 U.S.C. 4336c). To use another agency's CATEXs under section 109, the adopting agency must identify the relevant CATEX listed in the establishing agency's NEPA procedures that covers the adopting agency's category of proposed actions or related actions; consult with the establishing agency to ensure that the proposed adoption of the CATEX is appropriate for the category of actions; identify to the public the CATEX that the adopting agency plans to use for its proposed actions; and document adoption of the CATEX (42 U.S.C. 4336c); (FAA Order 1050.1G, Section 1.4(d) Adopting CATEX's from other Federal agencies). This **Federal Register** notice announces the FAA's decision to adopt the below identified CATEX from DAF, as well as the extraordinary circumstances list established by DAF when originally creating the CATEX.

II. DAF Categorical Exclusion

FAA is adopting a CATEX established by the DAF and listed in the Department of War NEPA Procedures Appendix A, Supersonic flying operations over land and above 30,000 feet MSL, or over water and above 10,000 feet MSL and more than 15 nautical miles from land. Department of War National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures, Appendix A, II Department of the Air Force, DoW A116–34. April 30, 2026.

III. FAA's Use of Adopted CATEX

FAA expects to use the above identified CATEX to approve Special Flight Authorization (SFA) applications for supersonic flight testing that are overland and above 30,000 feet MSL or over water, above 10,000 feet MSL, and more than 15 nautical miles from land. DAF currently utilizes the following approved supersonic corridors: Edwards Air Force Base, California; Bell X–1 High Altitude Supersonic Corridors; Black Mountain High Altitude Supersonic Corridors; PIRA Supersonic Corridor; Eglin Air Force Base, Florida; Overland R–2914A to R–2915A (Test Area B–70). The categories of actions described herein are activities which are within the scope of the establishing agency's (DAF's) CATEX. FAA may also expand the use of the CATEX identified in Section II to activities other than SFA applications that are within the parameters of the establishing agency's CATEX where appropriate and would consult with the establishing agency, as needed. The CATEX the FAA is adopting from DAF reads: ''Supersonic flying operations over land and above 30,000 feet MSL, or over water and above 10,000 feet MSL and more than 15 nautical miles from land''. The FAA adopts CATEX DoW A116–34 from DAF consistent with all substantive and procedural limitations applied by DAF. This adoption, consistent with DAF procedures, requires that application of the CATEX to a specific federal action be done via documented CATEX in certain circumstances. Therefore, when DAF's CATEX requires documentation to apply the CATEX, the FAA Environmental Protection Specialist (EPS) shall comply with the requirements detailed in FAA Order 1050.1G, § 1.4(f)(3), Documentation of CATEX determinations.

IV. Consideration of Extraordinary Circumstances

The FAA has NEPA implementing procedures to guide its analysis of extraordinary circumstances. Further, FAA will apply DAF's extraordinary circumstances, located in part 1.4(d) of the department's NEPA implementing procedures, Department of War National Environmental Policy Act Implementing Procedures, and any subsequent revisions thereto, if different from the FAA's. If an extraordinary circumstance is present, the FAA will determine whether it is possible to avoid significant effects. The FAA EPS must document application of any mitigations consistent with FAA Order 1050.1G. If FAA cannot apply a CATEX to a particular proposed action due to extraordinary circumstances, FAA will prepare an EA or EIS, consistent with FAA NEPA Implementing Procedures dated 30 June 2025.

V. Consultation With Establishing Agency and Determination of Appropriateness

FAA consulted with DAF between 3 December 2025 and 29 June 2026. During the consultation, the agencies discussed whether the category of FAA proposed actions would be appropriately covered by the CATEX identified above; the extraordinary circumstances that FAA should consider before applying the CATEX to FAA's proposed actions; the requirement to evaluate, before using the above listed DAF CATEX, the integral elements of the CATEX's availability for use as defined in DAF's NEPA procedures (identified in Section II above); and what documentation FAA should complete when applying the CATEX. The agencies also considered past use of the CATEX by the DAF, including how often these agencies modified a proposed action or prepared an EA or EIS for a proposed action otherwise covered by the CATEX. At the conclusion of that process, the agencies determined that FAA's proposed use of the CATEX as described in this notice is appropriate.

VI. Conclusion

This notice documents adoption of the CATEX listed in Section II in accordance with 42 U.S.C. 4336c(4), and is available for use by FAA, effective immediately.

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 19, 2026.

Julie Marks,

Executive Director, Federal Aviation Administration—Office of Environment and Energy.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Treasury

ACTION: Notice of Meeting

SUMMARY: An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel's Joint Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions to improve customer service at the Internal Revenue Service. This meeting will be held as a virtual video conference via the Microsoft Teams platform.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fred N. Smith, Jr. by email at *taxpayer.advocacy.panel@irs.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section

10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988), that an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel's Joint Committee will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

The public is invited to attend the meeting virtually, or by phone, and may provide oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Due to meeting structure and time limitations, advance registration is required to attend or make public comments during the meeting. To register and receive meeting access information, please contact Fred N. Smith, Jr. at the contact information above no later than Friday, September 11, 2026.

Meeting materials, including the agenda and any handouts, will be made available prior to the meeting at *www.improveirs.org.*

The agenda will include a committee discussion of new and continuing issues and other activities related to the new TAP year.

Dated: August 20, 2026.

Saul M. Hernandez,

Designated Federal Official Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

[OMB Control No. 2900–0559]

Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Grant Funded Cemetery Data Sheet and Cemetery Grant Documents

AGENCY: National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, this notice announces that the National Cemetery Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, will submit the collection of information abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The PRA submission describes the nature of the information collection and its expected cost and burden, and it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent by September 23, 2026.

ADDRESSES: To submit comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection, please type the following link into your browser: *www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain,* select ''Currently under Review—Open for Public Comments'', then search the list for the information collection by Title or ''OMB Control No. 2900–0559.''

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

VA PRA information: Dorothy Glasgow, 202–461–1084, *VAPRA@va.gov*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Grant Funded Cemetery Data Sheet and Cemetery Grant Documents.

OMB Control Number: 2900–0559 *https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRASearch.*

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: VA Form 40–0241 and Cemetery Grant Documents, 40–0895 Series, are required to provide data regarding the number of interments conducted at VA Grant Funded Veterans cemeteries and support grant preapplication each year. This data is necessary for budget, oversight and compliance purposes associated with exiting and establishment of new State and Tribal government Veteran cemeteries.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published at 91 FR 31863, May 28, 2026. This is a revision due to the VA40–0241 taking 30 minutes less for a respondent to complete.

Affected Public: State, Local and Tribal Governments.

Estimated Annual Burden: 237.

Estimated Average Burden per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Annual.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 289.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*

Lanea Haynes,

Alternate, VA PRA Clearance Officer, Office of Information Technology, Data Governance Analytics, Department of Veterans Affairs.

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