

## Comments

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Homeland Security.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

### Federal Emergency Management Agency

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request

[Docket ID: FEMA-2009-0001]

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; 60-day notice and  
request for comments; revision of a  
currently approved collection; OMB No.  
1660-0009; No Form.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, 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 a proposed extension,  
without change, of a currently approved  
information collection. In accordance  
with the Paperwork Reduction Act of  
1995, this Notice seeks comments

concerning a Governor's request for a  
major disaster or an emergency  
declaration by the President.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on  
or before May 12, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** To avoid duplicate  
submissions to the docket, please use  
only one of the following means to  
submit comments:

(1) *Online.* Submit comments at  
*http://www.regulations.gov* under docket ID  
FEMA-2009-0001. Follow the  
instructions for submitting comments.

(2) *Mail.* Submit written comments to  
Office of Chief Counsel, Regulation and  
Policy Team, DHS/FEMA, 500 C Street,  
SW., Room 835, WASH, DC 20472-  
3100.

(3) *Facsimile.* Submit comments to  
(703) 483-2999.

(4) *E-mail.* Submit comments to  
*FEMA-POLICY@dhs.gov*. Include docket  
ID FEMA-2009-0001 in the subject line.

All submissions received must  
include the agency name and docket ID.  
Regardless of the method used for  
submitting comments or material, all  
submissions will be posted, without  
change, to the Federal eRulemaking  
Portal at *http://www.regulations.gov*,  
and will include any personal  
information you provide. Therefore,  
submitting this information makes it  
public. You may wish to read the  
Privacy Act notice that is available on  
the Privacy and Use Notice link on the  
Administration Navigation Bar of *http://www.regulations.gov*.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Contact Peggy Miller, Branch Chief,  
Declarations Unit, Federal Emergency  
Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW.,  
Washington, DC 20472, telephone  
number (202) 646-3886 for additional  
information. You may contact the  
Records Management Branch for copies  
of the proposed collection of  
information at facsimile number (202)  
646-3347 or e-mail address: *FEMA-  
Information-Collections@dhs.gov*.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The  
Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and  
Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C.  
5121-5207, as amended (the Stafford  
Act), requires that all requests for a  
major disaster or an emergency  
declaration by the President must be  
made by the Governor of the affected  
State. Section 401 of the Act stipulates  
specific information the Governor must

submit with a request for any major  
disaster or emergency declaration.  
Section 501(a) of the Act stipulates  
specific information the Governor must  
submit with a request for any emergency  
declaration. Section 403(c) of the Act  
authorizes emergency assistance,  
without a Presidential declaration,  
through the utilization of Department of  
Defense personnel and resources.  
Information needed to process the  
request from the Governor is set forth in  
44 CFR Part 206.35 and 206.36.

#### Collection of Information

*Title:* The Declaration Process:  
Requests for Preliminary Damage  
Assessment, Federal Disaster  
Assistance, Cost Share Adjustment, and  
Appeals.

*Type of Information Collection:*  
Revision of a currently approved  
collection.

*OMB Number:* 1660-0009.

*Form Titles and Numbers:* No Form.

*Abstract:* When a disaster occurs in a  
State, the Governor of the State or the  
Acting Governor in his/her absence,  
may request a major disaster declaration  
or an emergency declaration. The  
Governor should submit the request to  
the President through the appropriate  
Regional Administrator to ensure  
prompt acknowledgement and  
processing. The information obtained by  
joint Federal, State, and local  
preliminary damage assessments will be  
analyzed by FEMA regional senior level  
staff. The regional summary and the  
regional analysis and recommendation  
shall include a discussion of State and  
local resources and capabilities, and  
other assistance available to meet the  
disaster related needs. The  
Administrator of FEMA provides a  
recommendation to the President and  
also provides a copy of the Governor's  
request. In the event the information  
required by law is not contained in the  
request, the Governor's request cannot  
be processed and forwarded to the  
White House. In the event the  
Governor's request for a major disaster  
declaration or an emergency declaration  
is not granted, the Governor may appeal  
the decision.

*Affected Public:* "State, Local or  
Tribal Governments".

*Estimated Total Annual Burden  
Hours:* 25,536.

TABLE A.12—ESTIMATED ANNUALIZED BURDEN HOURS AND COSTS

Type of respondent	Form name/ form No.	No. of respondents	No. of responses per respondent	Avg. burden per response (in hours)	Total annual burden (in hours)	Avg. hourly wage rate	Total annual respondent cost
State, Local or Tribal Government.	Governor's Request/No Form.	56	6	76	25,536	\$46.91	\$1,197,893.76
Total .....	.....	56	.....	.....	25,536	.....	1,197,893.76

*Estimated Cost:* The estimated annualized cost to respondents based on wage rate categories is \$1,197,893.76.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

##### Federal Emergency Management Agency

[Docket ID: FEMA-2009-0001]

##### Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; 30-day notice and request for comments; revision of a currently approved information collection; OMB No. 1660-0070; FEMA Form 75-100, National Fire Department Census.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has submitted the information collection abstracted below to the Office of Management and Budget for review and clearance in accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The submission describes the nature of the information collection, the categories of respondents, the estimated burden (i.e., the time, effort and resources used by respondents to respond) and cost, and includes the actual data collection instruments FEMA will use.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before April 13, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget. Comments should be addressed to the Desk Officer for the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and sent via electronic mail to [oir.submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:oir.submission@omb.eop.gov) or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection should be made to Director, Records Management Division, 1800 South Bell Street, Arlington, VA 20598-3005, facsimile number (202) 646-3347, or e-mail address [FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-Information-Collections@dhs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Collection of Information

*Title:* National Fire Department Census.

*Type of information collection:* Revision of a currently approved information collection.

*OMB Number:* OMB No. 1660-0070.

*Form Titles and Numbers:* FEMA Form 75-100, National Fire Department Census.

*Abstract:* This collection seeks to identify fire departments in the U.S. to compile a database related to demographics, capabilities, and activities. The database will be used to guide programmatic decisions and provide information to the public.

*Affected Public:* "Federal Government," and "State, Local or Tribal Government."

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,000.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion.  
*Estimated Average Hour Burden per Respondent:* .42 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,667 burden hours.

*Estimated Cost:* \$65,550.00.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

[Docket No. FEMA-2008-0010]

##### National Fire Academy Board of Visitors

**AGENCY:** Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

**ACTION:** Committee Management; Notice of Open Federal Advisory Committee Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Fire Academy Board of Visitors will meet on April 1-2, 2009.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place Wednesday, April 1, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., e.s.t.; and Thursday, April 2, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., e.s.t. Comments must be submitted by April 8, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** Members of the public who wish to obtain information for the public meeting may contact Teresa Kaas as listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by March 31, 2009. Members of the public may participate by coming to the National Emergency Training Center, Building H, Room 300, Emmitsburg, Maryland. Members of the general public who plan to participate in the meeting should contact Teresa Kaas as listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section, on or before March 31, 2009. Written material as well as requests to have