



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Highway Administration

[Docket No. FHWA-2026-1024]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Request for Comments for a New Information Collection

AGENCY: Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The FHWA invites public comments about our intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) approval for a new information collection, which is summarized below under **Supplementary Information**. We are required to publish this notice in the **Federal Register** by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Please submit comments by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE **FEDERAL REGISTER**].

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by DOT Docket ID Number FHWA-2026-1024 by any of the following methods:

Web Site: For access to the docket to read background documents or comments received go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

Fax: 1-202-493-2251.

Mail: Docket Management Facility, U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590-0001.

Hand Delivery or Courier: U.S. Department of Transportation, West Building Ground Floor, Room W12-140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, DC 20590, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Seema Javeri, Seema.Javeri@dot.gov, (202) 836-3554, Office of Infrastructure, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue S.E., Washington, DC 20590. Office hours are from 8

a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: State Transportation Roadway Innovation Deployment Excellence (STRIDE) Program Proposals, Annual Reports, and Final Reports.

Background: The proposed State Transportation Roadway Innovation Deployment Excellence (STRIDE) Program would be administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under the Technology and Innovation Deployment Program (TIDP), authorized by 23 U.S.C. 503(c). TIDP supports the implementation and adoption of innovations across highway transportation, including planning, financing, operations, structures, rights-of-way, materials, pavements, environmental activities, construction, and project delivery. Subject to final program approval and the availability of funds, the STRIDE Program will make TIDP funding available to accelerate the implementation and adoption of the following:

- Innovations promoted under Every Day Counts Round 8 (EDC-8); and
- Other nationally significant highway innovations consistent with the U.S. Department of Transportation's strategic priorities and applicable statutory requirements.

Respondents: Eligible applicants and recipients are the transportation departments or equivalent transportation agencies of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. Metropolitan planning organizations, local governments, Tribal governments, Federal Land Management Agencies, and other entities may participate as subrecipients through an eligible State DOT, subject to the requirements set forth in the final STRIDE program guidance. The State DOT would remain the direct applicant and recipient of federal-aid funds. FHWA estimates that about 35 applicants would submit project proposals in each application cycle.

Frequency: Applicants would submit project proposals during the established STRIDE application period. Selected recipients are required to submit an annual progress report for each active project and one final report following project completion.

Estimated Average Burden per Response: FHWA estimates an average burden of:

- 10 hours to prepare and submit each project proposal;
- 10 hours annually for project administration and annual progress reports; and

- 40 hours to prepare and submit each final project report.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: Assuming 35 eligible applicants, the estimated annual burden would be:

- Project proposals: $35 \times 10 \text{ hours} = 350 \text{ hours}$
- Annual reporting and project administration: $35 \times 10 \text{ hours} = 350 \text{ hours}$
- Final reports, assuming approximately one-half of the projects are completed annually:
 $17.5 \times 20 \text{ hours} = 350 \text{ hours}.$

For an estimated total annual burden of 1,050 hours.

Public Comments Invited: You are asked to comment on any aspect of this information collection, including: (1) Whether the proposed collection is necessary for the FHWA's performance; (2) the accuracy of the estimated burdens; (3) ways for the FHWA to enhance the quality, usefulness, and clarity of the collected information; and (4) ways that the burden could be minimized, including the use of electronic technology, without reducing the quality of the collected information. The agency will summarize and/or include your comments in the request for OMB's clearance of this information collection.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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