

by contacting the office listed below in the ADDRESSES section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the ADDRESSES section below on or before November 30, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Cynthia L. Ambler, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Room S-4231, 200 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC Phone: 202-219-6209 x129 (this is not a toll free number). E-mail: cambler@doleta.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cynthia Ambler, U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Room S-4231, 200 Constitution Ave. NW., Washington, DC 20210. Phone number: 202-219-6209 x129. Fax: 202-219-8506. (These are not toll free numbers.) E-mail: cambler@doleta.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

I. Background

The ETA 5159 report contains information on claims activities including initial claims, weeks claimed, weeks compensated, and the amount of benefit payments. These data are used in budgetary and administrative planning, program evaluation, and reports to Congress and the public. The change being proposed concerns continued weeks claims filed by interstate claimants. Revised interstate claims taking procedures provide that interstate continued weeks can no longer be filed through the agent State. All such claims are now mailed or phoned directly to the liable State. Therefore the data item interstate continued weeks claimed taken by the agent State will be zero. This change removes that data item from the report form.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the

use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

III. Current Actions

The ETA 5159 report continues to be needed for administrative financing, program evaluation and public information. The revision eliminates a data item no longer needed.

Type of Review: Extension with change.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: Claims and Payment Activities.

OMB Number: 1205-0010.

Agency Number: ETA 5159.

Affected Public: State Government.

Cite/Reference/Form/etc: ETA 5159.

Total Respondents: 53.

Frequency: Monthly.

Total Responses: 636.

Average Time per Response: 1.89 hrs.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 1359 hrs.

Total Burden Cost (operating/maintaining): \$33,975.

Comments submitted in response to this comment request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 24, 1999.

Grace A. Kilbane,

Director, Unemployment Insurance Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) Reporting and Grant Application Package Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1955 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested

data can be provide in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the Employment and Training Administration is soliciting comments on the proposed extension of the Senior Community Service Employment Program information request. A copy of the proposed information collection request (ICR) can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before November 30, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Mr. Erich W. ("Ric") Larisch, Chief of the Division of Older Worker Programs, N 4641, 200 Constitution Ave. NW Washington DC. 20210. The Telephone Number is (202) 219-5904 extension 118 (this is not a toll-free number). The Internet address is Larische@doleta.gov. The fax number is (202) 501-2135.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The information collected for the Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) is used to administer this \$440 million program which serves nearly 100,000 people each year. In addition, the collected information is the basis for reports which are prepared to inform the Congress and the public of the program's accomplishments.

II. Review Focus

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

III. Current Actions

The Department of Labor uses three reports and an annual grant package to administer the SCSEP program. These reports are: a quarterly report of program data, which is the Quarterly Progress Report (QPR), a quarterly financial report which is Financial Status Report (FSR) and an annual report of the distribution of program positions. Also, the program regulations

at 641.321(b)(2) require the placement of a poster of allowable and unallowable political activities.

Type of Review: Reinstatement with change.

Agency: Employment and Training Administration.

Title: The Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP) Reporting and Grant Application Package.

OMB No.: 1205-0040.

Record Keeping: Agencies maintain records for 3 years after the end of the grant period. If there are audit exceptions, grantees may have to keep records longer.

Affected Public: State government agencies and non-profit organizations.

Total Respondents: 62.

Frequency: Annually or quarterly which is placed as needed.

Cite/reference	Total Respond.	Frequency	Total responses	Average time per response (hours)	Burden (hours)
Quarterly Progress Report (ETA 5140)	62	Quarterly	248	8	1984
Poster Placement	62	N/A	62	1	62
Equitable Distribution Report (ETA-8705)	62	Annually	62	12	744
Grant Application Signature sheet (ETA-5163)	62	Annually	62	1	62
Total ETA Activity	62	////	434	////	2852
Financial Status Report (SF-269)	62	Quarterly Plus Final	310	8	2480
Grant Planning (SF-424A & 424)	62	Annually	62	40	2480
Total SF Activity	62	////	372	////	*60

* The Standard Form (SF) burden hours are separate from the other burden hours and are not counted towards ETA's ICB.

Total Burden Cost (capital/startup): \$0.

Total Burden Cost (Operating/Maintaining): \$1-2 million

Comments submitted in response to this request will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: September 24, 1999.

Anna W. Goddard,

Director, Office of National Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**Employment Standard Administration
Wage and Hour Division****Minimum Wages for Federal and
Federally Assisted Construction;
General Wage Determination Decisions**

General Wage determination decisions of the Secretary of Labor are issued in accordance with applicable law and are based on the information obtained by the Department of Labor from its study of local wage conditions and data made available from other sources. They specify the basic hourly wage rates and fringe benefits which are determined to be prevailing for the described classes of laborers and mechanics employed on construction

projects of a similar character and in the localities specified therein.

The determinations in these decisions of prevailing rates and fringe benefits have been made in accordance with 29 CFR Part 1, by authority of the Secretary of Labor pursuant to the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act of March 3, 1931, as amended (46 Stat. 1494, as amended, 40 U.S.C. 276a) and of other Federal statutes referred to in 29 CFR Part 1, Appendix, as well as such additional statutes as may from time to time be enacted containing provisions for the payment of wages determined to be prevailing by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act. The prevailing rates and fringe benefits determined in these decisions shall, in accordance with the provisions of the foregoing statutes, constitute the minimum wages payable on Federal and federally assisted construction projects to laborers and mechanics of the specified classes engaged on contract work of the character and in the localities described therein.

Good cause is hereby found for not utilizing notice and public comment procedure thereon prior to the issuance of these determinations as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 553 and not providing for delay in the effective date as prescribed in that section, because the necessity to issue current construction industry wage determinations frequently and in large volume causes procedures to be

impractical and contrary to the public interest.

General wage determination decisions, and modifications and supersedes decisions thereto, contain no expiration dates and are effective from their date of notice in the **Federal Register**, or on the date written notice is received by the agency, whichever is earlier. These decisions are to be used in accordance with the provisions of 29 CFR Parts 1 and 5. Accordingly, the applicable decision, together with any modifications issued, must be made a part of every contract for performance of the described work within the geographic area indicated as required by an applicable Federal prevailing wage law and 29 CFR Part 5. The wage rates and fringe benefits, notice of which is published herein, and which are contained in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determination Issued Under The Davis-Bacon And Related Acts," shall be in the minimum paid by contractors and subcontractors to laborers and mechanics.

Any person, organization, or governmental agency having an interest in the rates determined as prevailing is encouraged to submit wage rate and fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by