

or other forms of information technology.

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Abstract of Proposed Collection

Individuals registering for the Foreign Service Officer Test will complete a Registration Form, asking for their name, contact information, ethnicity, education and work history, and military experience. The information will be used to prepare and issue admission to the Foreign Service Officer Test, to provide data useful for improving future tests, and to conduct research studies based on the test results.

Methodology

The registration process, which includes concurrent application submission and seat selection, opens approximately four (4) weeks prior to each testing window. To register, individuals go to pearsonvue.com/fsot/ during the four-week period prior to a specific testing window to create an account, submit completed eligibility verification and application forms, and select a location and seat for the specific test date.

Kevin E. Bryant,

Deputy Director, Office of Directives Management, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 11375]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Refugee Biographic Data

ACTION: Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

SUMMARY: The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

DATES: Submit comments up to April 16, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Delicia Spruell, PRM/Admissions, 2025 E Street NW, SA-9, 8th Floor, Washington, DC 20522-0908, who may be reached on (202) 453-9257 or (202) 568-2964 or at SpruellDA@state.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- *Title of Information Collection:* Refugee Biographic Data.
- *OMB Control Number:* 1405-0102.
- *Type of Request:* Revision of a Currently Approved Collection.
- *Originating Office:* Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Office of Admissions, PRM/A.
- *Form Number:* No form.
- *Respondents:* Refugee applicants for the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program.
- *Estimated Number of Respondents:* 15,000.
- *Estimated Number of Responses:* 10,124.
- *Average Time per Response:* 3 hours.
- *Total Estimated Burden Time:* 30,372.
- *Frequency:* Once per respondent.
- *Obligation to Respond:* Required to Obtain a Benefit.

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.
- Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Abstract of Proposed Collection

The Refugee Biographic Data Sheet includes a refugee applicant's personal information and is needed to initiate refugee resettlement processing, adjudicate the refugee applicant's application for admission to the United States, to run security checks on refugee applicants by law enforcement and intelligence communities, to conduct medical screenings, and to plan international travel before a refugee applicant can be approved to travel to the United States. In addition, the information is used to match the refugee with a sponsoring voluntary agency for initial reception and placement in the U.S. under the United States Refugee Admissions Program administered by the Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration (PRM).

The information collected includes date and place of birth, gender, contact information, including social media handles, marital status, family ties, religion, ethnic group, background, education, occupation, skills, medical information, English language ability, associated family members' refugee resettlement cases, and identity documents. The data is used to initiate refugee resettlement processing, to adjudicate the refugee claim by USCIS, to run security checks on refugees by law enforcement and intelligence communities before refugees can be approved to travel to the United States. Data is also provided to conduct a medical screening before the refugee's arrival in the United States, to plan the refugee's international travel, and to resettlement agencies to determine an appropriate resettlement location in the United States. If the data were not collected, refugees could not be properly vetted by law enforcement and intelligence communities, and therefore refugee applicants could no longer be processed through the U.S. Refugee Admissions Program. In addition, the resettlement agencies would not be able to provide appropriate initial reception and placement services as provided for in the Refugee Act.

Methodology

Biographic information is collected in a face-to-face intake process with the applicant overseas. An employee of a Resettlement Support Center, under cooperative agreement with PRM, collects the information and enters it into the Worldwide Refugee Admissions Processing System. The Department is also building a new case management system to replace WRAPS to allow for more effective and efficient electronic management of refugee resettlement

cases. This system, called START, will perform the same overall functions as the WRAPS system. The Department began deployment of START in late 2020 and expects full deployment to all locations worldwide by late 2021. The Department has designed this data collection to make most efficient use of digital data capture. While this does not represent a complete end-to-end electronic process, it equates to paperwork reduction by incorporation of the electronic entry of intake responses.

Lawrence E. Bartlett,

Director, Office of Admissions, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

[Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 803X)]

CSX Transportation, Inc.— Abandonment Exemption—in Boone County, W. Va.

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 CFR part 1152 subpart F—*Exempt Abandonments* to abandon an approximately 9.9-mile rail line between milepost CLN 0.3 and milepost CLN 10.2, in Boone County, W. Va. (the Line).¹ The Line traverses U.S. Postal Service Zip Code 25181 and there is one station on the Line, Prenter, at milepost CLN 10 (FSAC 82243/OPSL 64790).²

CSXT has certified that: (1) No local traffic has moved over the Line for at least two years; (2) because the Line is not a through route, there is no overhead traffic on the Line and, therefore, none needs to be rerouted; (3) no formal complaint filed by a user of rail service on the Line (or by a state or local government entity acting on behalf of such user) regarding cessation of service over the Line either is pending with the Surface Transportation Board (Board) or with any U.S. District Court or has been decided in favor of complainant within the two-year period; and (4) the requirements at 49 CFR 1105.7 and 1105.8 (notice of environmental and historic report), 49 CFR 1105.12 (newspaper publication), and 49 CFR 1152.50(d)(1) (notice to governmental agencies) have been met.

¹ CSXT was granted authority in 2017 to discontinue service over the Line. *CSX Transp., Inc.—Discontinuance of Serv. Exemption—in Boone Cnty., W. Va.*, AB 55 (Sub No. 769X) (STB served Jan. 6, 2017).

² According to CSXT, the station can be closed.

As a condition to this exemption, any employee adversely affected by the abandonment shall be protected under *Oregon Short Line Railroad—Abandonment Portion Goshen Branch Between Firth & Ammon, in Bingham & Bonneville Counties, Idaho*, 360 I.C.C. 91 (1979). To address whether this condition adequately protects affected employees, a petition for partial revocation under 49 U.S.C. 10502(d) must be filed.

Provided no formal expression of intent to file an offer of financial assistance (OFA) has been received,³ the exemption will be effective on April 16, 2021, unless stayed pending reconsideration. Petitions to stay that do not involve environmental issues must be filed by March 26, 2021.⁴ Formal expressions of intent to file an OFA under 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2), and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 CFR 1152.29 must be filed by March 29, 2021.⁵ Petitions to reopen or requests for public use conditions under 49 CFR 1152.28 must be filed by April 6, 2021.

All pleadings, referring to Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 803X), should be filed with the Surface Transportation Board via e-filing on the Board's website. In addition, a copy of each pleading must be served on CSXT's representative, Louis E. Gitomer, Law Offices of Louis E. Gitomer, LLC, 600 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301, Towson, MD 21204.

If the verified notice contains false or misleading information, the exemption is void ab initio.

CSXT has filed a combined environmental and historic report that addresses the potential effects, if any, of the abandonment on the environment and historic resources. OEA will issue a Draft Environmental Assessment (Draft EA) by March 22, 2021. The Draft EA will be available to interested persons on the Board's website, by writing to OEA, or by calling OEA at (202) 245-0305. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

³ Persons interested in submitting an OFA must first file a formal expression of intent to file an offer, indicating the type of financial assistance they wish to provide (*i.e.*, subsidy or purchase) and demonstrating that they are preliminarily financially responsible. See 49 CFR 1152.27(c)(2)(i).

⁴ The Board will grant a stay if an informed decision on environmental issues (whether raised by a party or by the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis (OEA) in its independent investigation) cannot be made before the exemption's effective date. See *Exemption of Out-of-Serv. Rail Lines*, 5 I.C.C.2d 377 (1989). Any request for a stay should be filed as soon as possible so that the Board may take appropriate action before the exemption's effective date.

⁵ Filing fees for OFAs and trail use requests can be found at 49 CFR 1002.2(f)(25) and (27), respectively.

Comments on environmental and historic preservation matters must be filed within 15 days after the Draft EA becomes available to the public.

Environmental, historic preservation, public use, or interim trail use/rail banking conditions will be imposed, where appropriate, in a subsequent decision.

Pursuant to the provisions of 49 CFR 1152.29(e)(2), CSXT shall file a notice of consummation with the Board to signify that it has exercised the authority granted and fully abandoned the Line. If consummation has not been effected by the CSXT's filing of a notice of consummation by March 17, 2022, and there are no legal or regulatory barriers to consummation, the authority to abandon will automatically expire.

Board decisions and notices are available at www.stb.gov.

Decided: March 11, 2021.

By the Board, Allison C. Davis, Director, Office of Proceedings.

Tammy Lowery,
Clearance Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Notice of Intent To Rule on a Land Release Request at Council Bluffs Municipal Airport (CBF), Council Bluffs, Iowa

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of request to release and sell airport land.

SUMMARY: The FAA proposes to rule and invites public comment on the request to release and sell a 14.1 acre parcel of federally obligated airport property at the Council Bluffs Municipal Airport (CBF), Council Bluffs, Iowa.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 16, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this application may be mailed or delivered to the FAA at the following address: Amy J. Walter, Airports Land Specialist, Federal Aviation Administration, Airports Division, ACE-620G, 901 Locust, Room 364, Kansas City, MO 64106.

In addition, one copy of any comments submitted to the FAA must be mailed or delivered to: Andy Biller, Executive Director, Council Bluffs Municipal Airport, 101 McCandless Lane, Council Bluffs, IA 51503, (712) 322-2284.