Form number	Number of responses	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Total annual burden (hours)
SSA-2930	1,500	1	30	750
SSA-2931	750	1	30	375
SSA-2932	100	1	20	33
SSA-4659	325	1	10	54
SSA-L8550-U3	385	1	5	32
SSA-L8551-U3	95	1	5	8
SSA-L8552-U3	35	1	5	3
SSA-L8553-U3	4,490	1	5	374
SSA-L8554-U3	670	1	5	56
SSA-8552	2,350	1	5	196
SSA-85	3,850	1	5	321
SSA-2935	2,350	1	5	196
SSA-820/821	400	1	15	100
SSA-8510	800	1	5	67
iClaim Stewardship Questions	324	1	10	54
Totals	18,424			2,619

2. Employer Reports of Special Wage Payments—20 CFR 404.428—404.429— 0960–0565. SSA collects information on the SSA–131 to prevent earnings-related overpayments and to avoid erroneous withholding of benefits. SSA field offices and processing centers also use Form SSA-131 for awards and postentitlement events requiring special wage payment verification from employers. The respondents are large and small businesses that make special wage payments to retirees.

Type of Request: Extension of an OMB-approved information collection.

Completed form	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Average burden per response (minutes)	Total annual burden (hours)
Paper Version: SSA-131 (without #6)	105,000 1,050 26	1 1 1	20 2 5	35,000 35 2
Totals	106,076			35,037

Dated: March 11, 2011.

#### Faye Lipsky,

Reports Clearance Officer, Center for Reports Clearance, Social Security Administration.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice: 7359]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: DS 6561 Pre-Assignment for Overseas Duty for Non Foreign Service Personnel; New Collection OMB Control Number 1405–XXXX

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is seeking Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval for the information collection described below. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment in the Federal

**Register** preceding submission to OMB. We are conducting this process in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

- Title of Information Collection: Pre-Assignment for Overseas Duty Bon-Foreign Service Personnel.
  - OMB Control Number: 1405-XXXX.
  - Type of Request: New Collection.
  - Originating Office: M/MED/CL.
  - Form Number: DS 6561.
- Respondents: Overseas employees and family members, not in the Foreign Service.
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 8,000.
- Estimated Number of Responses: 8,000.
- Average Hours Per Response: 1 hour.
- Total Estimated Burden: 8,000.
- Frequency: Every 2-3 years.
- Obligation to Respond: Mandatory to retain medical clearance.

**DATES:** The Department will accept comments from the public up to 60 days from March 16, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Office of MED Clearances SA 15 1800 North Kent St. Rosslyn, VA 22209. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: mahoneybj@state.gov.
- Mail (paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions): 1800 N. Kent St. Rosslyn, VA 22209.
  - Fax: 703-875-4850.
- Hand Delivery or Courier: [insert street address—this address is optional].

You must include the DS form number (if applicable), information collection title, and OMB control number in any correspondence.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed information collection and supporting documents, to Barbara Mahoney Office of Medical Services SA 15, 1800 N. Kent St.

Rosslyn, VA 22209, who may be reached on 703–875–5413.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of our functions.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the 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 technology.

Abstract of proposed collection:

The DS 6561 form provides a concise summary of basic medical history, lab tests and physical examination. Since users of this form are not career Foreign Service Officers and may work for limited periods of time overseas, this form is an efficient method of assessing the status of their health. Respondents are members of non-Foreign Affairs Agencies.

Methodology:

Information is collected at overseas medical units, by physicians in MED's Exam Clinic at SA 1 and by private physicians overseas. Information is collected mostly by fax and electronic submission.

Dated: February 10, 2011.

## Joseph A. Kenny,

Executive Director, Office of Medical Services M/MED, Department of State.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## Federal Railroad Administration

## High-Speed Intercity Passenger Rail (HSIPR) Program

**AGENCY:** Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability for high-speed and intercity passenger rail projects.

SUMMARY: This notice details the application requirements and procedures for obtaining funding under FRA's High-Speed Intercity Passenger Rail (HSIPR) program. The funding opportunities described in this notice are available under Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number 20.319.

Notice to Applicants: FRA recommends applicants read this notice in its entirety prior to preparing application materials. There are several administrative prerequisites that applicants must comply with in order to submit an application (see Section 4 of this notice), which can take up to ten days to process.

**DATES:** Applications for funding under this solicitation are due no later than 8 p.m. EDT on Monday, April 4, 2011, and must be submitted through http://www.grantsolutions.gov. See Section 4 for additional information regarding the application process. FRA reserves the right to modify this deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding this notice and the HSIPR program, please contact the FRA HSIPR Program Manager via email at HSIPR@dot.gov, or by mail: U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Railroad Administration, MS–20, 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE., Washington, DC 20590 Attn: HSIPR Program.

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# **Section 1: Funding Opportunity Description**

## 1.1 Legislative Authority

This financial assistance announcement is intended to solicit proposals for high-speed and intercity passenger rail projects under FRA's HSIPR program. The authority for this grant program is contained in three pieces of legislation:

- The Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (Div. B of Pub. L. 110–432, October 16, 2008) (PRIIA), under Sections 301, 302, and 501: Intercity Passenger Rail Service Corridor Capital Assistance (codified at 49 U.S.C. chapter 244), General Passenger Rail Transportation (codified at 49 U.S.C. 24105), and High-Speed Rail Assistance (codified at 49 U.S.C. 26106), respectively:
- The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111– 5, February 17, 2009) (ARRA or the Recovery Act), under the title "Capital Assistance for High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service;" and
- The Fiscal Year 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act (Title I of Div. A of Pub. L. 111–117, December 16, 2009) (FY 2010 DOT Appropriations Act), under the title "Capital Assistance for

High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Passenger Rail Service."

## 1.2 Background

Since enactment of PRIIA, FRA has made approximately \$10.6 billion available under the HSIPR program. Award of these funds has served to jump-start high-speed and intercity passenger rail projects throughout the country. However, recently it has become clear that some of the funds previously announced would not be used to advance the originally intended projects; in particular, approximately \$2.392 billion announced for the State of Florida.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit applications—for eligible projects that could immediately proceed to awardfor the approximately \$2.392 billion previously announced for Florida and approximately \$38 million in remaining unallocated Recovery Act funding. This notice is also intended to establish a pipeline of meritorious projects that could receive any other HSIPR funds available at the time of award. These other funds could include savings that result from previously awarded projects coming in under budget, funds withdrawn from previously awarded projects that are not proceeding satisfactorily, any other appropriated funds authorized under PRIIA and made available through the remainder of this fiscal year, or other sources.

The approximately \$2.392 billion previously announced for Florida included funds provided both under the Recovery Act and the FY 2010 DOT Appropriations Act. Additional funds awarded under this notice could be provided from other sources. Therefore, applicants should not be concerned with applying for funds from a specific appropriations statute; rather they should seek to submit the best projects that could be funded from any or all such sources. Additionally, all applicants are encouraged to contribute non-Federal matching funds, a factor that will be considered when evaluating the merit of an application. While applicants may identify any aspects of their projects that might favor one or the other appropriations statute (the different requirements for each source of funding are discussed in Sections 1.3, 3, and 6), FRA will determine which funding to provide to projects selected for award at its own discretion. However, applicants should note that any projects receiving funding under the Recovery Act must be able to be obligated by September 30, 2012 and completed by September 30, 2017—both statutory requirements under the Recovery Act.