

the protection of life and prevention of injuries in coal and metal and nonmetal mines.

Under Section 313 of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (Mine Act), 30 U.S.C. 873, any explosives used in underground coal mines must be permissible. The Mine Act also provides that, under safeguards prescribed by the Secretary, a mine operator may permit the firing of more than 20 shots and the use of nonpermissible explosives in sinking shafts and slopes from the surface in rock. Title 30 CFR 75.1321 outlines the procedures by which a permit may be issued for the firing of more than 20 boreholes and/or the use of nonpermissible shot-firing units in underground coal mines. In those instances in which there is a misfire of explosives, section 75.1327 requires that a qualified person post each accessible entrance to the affected area with a warning to prohibit entry. Section 77.1909-1 outlines the procedures by which a coal mine operator may apply for a permit to use nonpermissible explosives and/or shot-firing units in the blasting of rock while sinking shafts or slopes for underground coal mines.

## II. Desired Focus of Comments

MSHA is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection related to Application for a Permit to Fire More than 20 Boreholes and/or for the use of Nonpermissible Blasting Units, Explosives, and Shot-firing Units; Posting Notices of Misfires. MSHA is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information has practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of MSHA's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Suggest methods to 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 submission of responses.

The information collection request will be available on <http://www.regulations.gov>. MSHA cautions the commenter against providing any information in the submission that should not be publicly disclosed. Full

comments, including personal information provided, will be made available on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov).

The public may also examine publicly available documents at USDOL-Mine Safety and Health Administration, 201 12th South, Suite 4E401, Arlington, VA 22202-5452. Sign in at the receptionist's desk on the 4th Floor via the East elevator.

Questions about the information collection requirements may be directed to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION** section of this notice.

## III. Current Actions

This request for collection of information contains provisions for Application for a Permit to Fire More than 20 Boreholes and/or for the use of Nonpermissible Blasting Units, Explosives, and Shot-firing Units; Posting Notices of Misfires. MSHA has updated the data with respect to the number of respondents, responses, burden hours, and burden costs supporting this information collection request.

*Type of Review:* Extension, without change, of a currently approved collection.

*Agency:* Mine Safety and Health Administration.

*OMB Number:* 1219-0025.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 17.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Number of Responses:* 32.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 31 hours.

*Annual Respondent or Recordkeeper Cost:* \$115.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and 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.

**Sheila McConnell,**

*Certifying Officer.*

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## NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Comment Period and Public Meeting on the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital

**AGENCY:** National Capital Planning Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of 60-Day public comment period and public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) has released a draft of the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan for the National Capital: Federal Elements for public review. The element establishes policies to support a regional multimodal transportation system that promotes responsible land use and development and contributes to a high quality of life for residents, workers, and visitors. The draft Transportation Element is available online for review at <https://www.ncpc.gov/initiatives/transportation>.

**DATES:** The public comment period closes November 12, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Written public comments on the draft may be submitted by either method:

1. *U.S. mail, courier, or hand deliver:* Transportation Element Public Comment, National Capital Planning Commission, 401 9th Street NW, Suite 500N, Washington, DC 20004.

2. *Electronically:* <https://www.ncpc.gov/initiatives/transportation>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Hirsch at (202) 482-7239 or [info@ncpc.gov](mailto:info@ncpc.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Public Meeting:* NCPC will host an open house event for the public to learn more about the Element. The open house will be on October 7, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at NCPC, 401 9th Street NW, Suite 500N, Washington, DC 20004

**Authority:** 40 U.S.C. 8721(e)(2).

Dated: September 6, 2019.

**Anne R. Schuyler,**

*General Counsel.*

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## NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

### Notice of Public Comment Period and Public Meeting on the Revisions to the Submission Guidelines

**AGENCY:** National Capital Planning Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of 60-Day public comment period and public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) has released revisions to the Submission Guidelines to update aspects of submission requirements related to transportation planning. Federal and non-federal agency applicants whose development proposals and plan are subject to