

ICR also covers periodic requests for voluntary WQS information from states and Tribes to ensure efficient and effective administration of the WQS program and further cooperative federalism.

At this time, the EPA is working to consolidate the two burden estimates of the activities that were previously split 50/50 between this WQS Regulation ICR and a separate NPDES Program ICR, OMB Control Number 2040-0004. These activities are the Great Lakes Antidegradation Demonstrations and Great Lakes Regulatory Relief Requests. The EPA anticipates that by the time this WQS Regulation ICR renewal is finalized, the full reporting burden for both activities would have been transferred and consolidated within the NPDES Program ICR. Therefore, the EPA is not reporting burden estimates for these two activities in this WQS Regulation ICR renewal.

*Form numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Potential respondents to this ICR include: the 50 states, the District of Columbia, five territories, authorized Tribes with the EPA-approved water quality standards (51 Tribes as of October 2024), and a total of 18 additional Tribal respondents over the three-year duration of the ICR. The total number of potential respondents is thus 125.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Some collections in this ICR are mandatory, some are required to obtain or retain benefits pursuant to the WQS Regulation, and some are voluntary.

*Estimated number of respondents:* 125 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Variable (once every three years, on occasion or as necessary, or only once) depending on type of information collected.

*Total estimated burden:* 493,362 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$25,235,466 (per year) in labor costs and \$345,180 (per year) in operational and maintenance costs. There are no annualized capital costs.

*Changes in the estimates:* There is increase of 22,600 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. This increase reflects the burden hours associated with the addition of four Tribal respondents for the information collections on "Administering State and Tribal WQS" and "Voluntary WQS Program

Information". See Supporting Statement in the docket for more information.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OAR-2020-0629; FRL-12624-01-OMS]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; NSPS for Primary and Secondary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Furnaces (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), NSPS for Primary and Secondary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Furnaces (EPA ICR Number 1069.14, OMB Control Number 2060-0029) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through February 28, 2025. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on May 18, 2023 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before March 31, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OAR-2020-0629, to EPA online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), *a-and-r-docket@epa.gov*, or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to

[www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://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:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through February 28, 2025. An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on May 18, 2023 during a 60-day comment period (88 FR 31748). This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Room 3334, 1301 Constitution Ave. NW, Washington, DC. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

**Abstract:** The New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for Primary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces (subpart N) apply to each basic oxygen process furnace (BOPF) in an iron and steel plant that commenced construction, modification, or reconstruction after the date of proposal. An opacity limit was promulgated on April 13, 1978, as a supplement to the mass standard. On January 20, 1983, amendments to the Standards of Performance for Primary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Process Furnaces merged with Standards of Performance for Secondary Emissions from Basic Oxygen Process Steelmaking Facilities (subpart Na). Subpart Na is applicable to any topblown BOPF, and hot metal transfer station or skimming stations used with bottom-blown or top-blown BOPF's for which construction, reconstruction, or modification commenced after January 20, 1983. Subpart Na was promulgated on January 2, 1986. This information is being collected to assure compliance with 40

CFR part 60, subparts N and Na. In general, all NSPS standards require initial notifications, performance tests, and periodic reports by the owners/operators of the affected facilities. They are also required to maintain records of the occurrence and duration of any startup, shutdown, or malfunction in the operation of an affected facility or any period during which the monitoring system is inoperative. These notifications, reports, and records are essential in determining compliance, and are required of all affected facilities subject to NSPS.

*Form numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Iron and steel plants that utilize basic oxygen furnaces.

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Mandatory (40 CFR part 60, subparts N and Na).

*Estimated number of respondents:* 2 (total).

*Frequency of response:* Initially and semiannually.

*Total estimated burden:* 628 hours (per year). Burden is defined at 5 CFR 1320.03(b).

*Total estimated cost:* \$83,000 (per year), which includes \$3,830 annualized capital or operation & maintenance costs.

*Changes in the estimates:* There is a decrease of 3,932 hours in the total estimated respondent burden compared with the ICR currently approved by OMB. This decrease is an adjustment due to a decrease in the number of sources. The previous ICR included sources that were constructed, reconstructed, or modified before the date of promulgation of Subpart N. These sources have been removed from the burden and cost calculations of this renewal. Additionally, the Capital/Startup and O&M costs have decreased due to the decrease in number of sources.

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-HQ-OW-2020-0276; FRL-12660-01-OMS]

### Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Clean Water Act Section 404 State-Assumed Programs (Renewal)

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has submitted an information collection request (ICR), Clean Water Act Section 404 State-Assumed Programs (OMB Control Number 2040-0168; EPA ICR Number 0220.18) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through February 28, 2025. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on August 14, 2023, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

**DATES:** Comments may be submitted on or before March 31, 2025.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, referencing Docket ID Number EPA-HQ-OW-2020-0276, to EPA online using [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) (our preferred method), or by mail to: EPA Docket Center, Environmental Protection Agency, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460.

EPA's policy is that all comments received will be included in the public docket without change including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes profanity, threats, information claimed to be Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute.

Submit written comments and recommendations to OMB for the proposed information collection within 30 days of publication of this notice to [www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain](http://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:** Christine Maietta, Oceans, Wetlands, and Communities Division, Office of Wetlands, Oceans, and Watersheds, (Mail Code 4504T), Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460; telephone number: (202) 564-3351; email address: [404g-rulemaking@epa.gov](mailto:404g-rulemaking@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a proposed extension of the ICR, which is currently approved through February 28, 2025. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on August 14, 2023 during a 60-day comment period (88 FR 55276). This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. Supporting documents, which explain in detail the information that the EPA will be collecting, are available in the public docket for this ICR. The docket can be viewed online at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) or in person at the EPA Docket Center, WJC West, Mail Code 28221T, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Washington, DC 20460. The telephone number for the Docket Center is 202-566-1744. For additional information about EPA's public docket, visit <http://www.epa.gov/dockets>.

*Abstract:* This information collection request describes the burden (hours) and labor cost (dollars) associated with 40 CFR 233, the regulations that implement *Clean Water Act* Section 404(g). The Clean Water Act authorizes states [tribes] to assume the section 404 permit program for discharges of dredged or fill material into certain waters of the U.S. Implementing regulations establish specific information that must be submitted to EPA when a state/tribe requests program assumption and while administering the program. There are three types of information collected for different needs. The three parts are: (1) Information needed for EPA to review and approve state or tribal requests to assume the program; (2) information needed from permit applicants for reviewing and processing the permit application; and (3) information the state or tribe must submit to EPA in their annual report summarizing program administration.

*Form Numbers:* None.

*Respondents/affected entities:* Tribes, states, and the regulated community (*i.e.*, permittees)

*Respondent's obligation to respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits. (40 CFR 233)

*Estimated number of respondents:* During the three-year collection period, the agency estimated a total of three (3) states will be approved to administer the Section 404 program (noting that two states have already received approval to administer a Section 404 program, and the agency assumed one (1) state and zero (0) Tribes will submit a new request during this collection period); and a total of 15,237 permittees are expected to seek a Section 404 permit across the three states approved to administer the Section 404 programs.

*Frequency of response:* Frequency of information collected from Tribes, states, and permittees depends on the