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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice: 15-071]

Notice of Information Collection

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of information collection.

SUMMARY: The National Aeronautics and Space Administration, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13, 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: All comments should be submitted within 30 calendar days from the date of this publication.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments regarding the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725 7th Street, N.W., Washington DC, 20543. Attention: Desk Officer for NASA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Frances Teel, NASA PRA Clearance Officer, NASA Headquarters, 300 E Street SW, Mail Code JF000, Washington, DC 20546, or

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

A federal grant is an award of financial assistance from a federal agency to a recipient to carry out a public purpose of support or stimulation authorized by a law of the United States. The NASA Procurement Office supports NASA research, science, and education communities through the award of research/education/and training grants in the science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields. NASA has a continuing commitment to identify and address inequities associated with its grant review and awards processes. To support that commitment, NASA is implementing a process to collect demographic data from grant applicants for the purpose of analyzing demographic differences associated with its award processes. Information collected will include name, gender, race, ethnicity, disability status, and citizenship status.

Submission of the information is voluntary and is not a precondition of award. However, if the information is not submitted, it will undermine the usefulness of information received from others.

II. Method of Collection

Electronic.

III. Data

Title: Research and Related Personal Data

OMB Number: 2700-XXXX.

Type of review: New Information Collection

Affected Public: Not-for-Profit Institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1000

Estimated Time per Response: 5 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 83.3

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of NASA, including whether the information collected has practical utility; (2) the accuracy of NASA's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

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