

Expiration Date of Approval: November 30, 2006.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Section 333 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (Con Act) (7 U.S.C. 1983) requires the Agencies to "graduate" their direct loan borrowers to other credit when they are able to do so. Graduation is required because the Government loans are not to be extended beyond a borrower's need for subsidized rates or Government credit. Borrowers must refinance their direct Government loan when other credit becomes available at reasonable rates and terms. If other credit is not available, the Agencies will continue to review the account for possible graduation at periodic intervals. Also, 7 CFR part 1951, subpart F, requires FSA to provide a financial prospectus to lenders who may be interested in providing credit to FSA direct farm loan borrowers with an FSA guarantee and interest assistance. The information collected to carry out these statutory mandates is financial data such as amount of income, operating expenses, asset values and liabilities. This information collection is then submitted by the Agencies to private creditors.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average two hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households, business or other for profit and farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 18,383.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

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Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 38,322 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Renita Bolden, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, at (202) 692-0035.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the Department of Agriculture methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to 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. Comments may be sent to Renita Bolden, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: June 16, 2006.

David Villano,

Acting Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

Dated: June 14, 2006.

Glen L. Keppy,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Public Meetings of Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) is issuing this notice to advise the public that meetings of the Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers (Committee) will be held to discuss various beginning farmer issues.

DATES: The public meetings will be held July 11-12, 2006. The first meeting, on July 11, 2006, will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at 5:30 p.m. The second meeting, on July 12, 2006, will begin at 8 a.m. and end by 4 p.m. All times noted are Eastern Standard Time (EST).

ADDRESSES: All meetings will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, 1515 Rhode Island Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, (202) 232-7000. Written requests to make oral presentations must be sent to: Mark Falcone, Designated Federal Official for the Advisory Committee on Beginning Farmers and Ranchers, Farm Service Agency, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 0522, Washington, DC 20250-0522; telephone (202) 720-1632; FAX (202) 690-1117; e-mail: mark.falcone@wdc.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Falcone at (202) 720-1632.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 5 of the Agricultural Credit Improvement Act of 1992 (Pub. L. 102-554) required the Secretary of Agriculture (the Secretary) to establish the Committee for the purpose of advising the Secretary on the following:

(1) The development of a program of coordinated financial assistance to qualified beginning farmers and ranchers required by section 309(i) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1929). Under the program, Federal and State beginning farmer programs provide financial assistance to beginning farmers and ranchers;

(2) Methods of maximizing the number of new farming and ranching opportunities created through the program;

(3) Methods of encouraging States to participate in the program;

(4) The administration of the program; and

(5) Other methods of creating new farming or ranching opportunities.

The Committee meets at least once a year and all meetings are open to the public. The duration of the Committee is indefinite. Earlier meetings of the Committee, beginning in 1999, provided an opportunity for members to exchange ideas on ways to increase opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers. Members discussed various issues and drafted numerous recommendations, which were provided to the Secretary.

Agenda items for the July 2006 meetings include:

(1) Discussions concerning provisions to recommend for inclusion in the 2007 Farm Bill to assist beginning farmers and ranchers;

(2) Farm Credit System lending to young, small, and beginning farmers and ranchers;

(3) Bank lending to beginning farmers and ranchers;

(4) Opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers through USDA's Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Farm Service Agency (FSA).

Attendance is open to all interested persons but limited to space available. Anyone wishing to make an oral statement should submit a request in writing (letter, fax, or e-mail) to Mark Falcone at the above address. Statements should be received no later than July 5, 2006. Requests should include the name and affiliation of the individual who will make the presentation and an outline of the issues to be addressed.

The floor will be open to oral presentations beginning at 1:15 p.m.

EST on July 11, 2006. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes, and presenters will be approved on a first-come, first-served basis. Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations to attend or participate in the meetings should contact Mark Falcone by July 5, 2006.

Signed in Washington, DC, on June 16, 2006.

Thomas B. Hofeller,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Deschutes and Ochoco National Forests Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Redmond, Oregon. The purpose of the meeting is to review proposed projects and make recommendations under Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

DATES: The meeting will be held July 10, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the office of the Central Oregon Intergovernmental Council, 2363 SW Glacier Place, Redmond, Oregon 97756. Send written comments to Jeff Walter, Designated Federal Official, for the Deschutes and Ochoco Resource Advisory Committee, c/o Forest Service, USDA, Ochoco National Forest, 3160 NE 3rd St., Princeville, OR 97754 or electronically to jwalter@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Walter, Designated Federal Official, Ochoco National Forest, 541-416-6625.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, persons who wish to bring Title II matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before the meeting. A public input session will be provided and individuals who made written requests by June 29 will have the opportunity to address the Committee at the session.

Dated: June 12, 2006.

Jeff Walter,

Designated Federal Official, Forest Supervisor, Ochoco National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA,

ACTION: Notice of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will be meeting to have presentations of 2006 projects and hold a short public forum (question and answer session). The meeting is being held pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393). The meeting is open to the public.
DATES: The meeting will be held on June 27, 2006, 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Bitterroot National Forest, 1801 N. First Street, Hamilton, Montana. Send written comments to Daniel G. Ritter, District Ranger, Stevensville Ranger District, 88 Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870, by facsimile (406) 777-7423, or electronically to dritter@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel G. Ritter, Stevensville District Ranger and Designated Federal Officer, Phone: (406) 777-5461.

Dated: June 14, 2006.

David T. Bull,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Siskiyou Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Siskiyou Resource Advisory Committee will meet on Thursday, July 20, 2006 to recommend Title II projects for fiscal year 2007 under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000. The meeting will be held at the Cave Junction City Hall, 222 W. Lister Street, Cave Junction, Oregon. It begins at 9 a.m. ends at 2:30 p.m.; the open

public comments begin at 11 a.m. and ends at 11:30 a.m. Written comments may be submitted prior to the meeting and delivered to Designated Federal Official, Scott Conroy at the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, P.O. Box 520, Medford, Oregon 97501.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest Public Affairs Officer Patty Burel at telephone: (541) 858-2211, e-mail: pburel@fs.fed.us, or USDA Forest Service, P.O. Box 520, 333 West 8th Street, Medford, OR 97501.

Dated: June 15, 2006.

Scott Conroy,

Forest Supervisor, Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Courthouse Access Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has established an advisory committee to advise the Board on issues related to the accessibility of courthouses covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Architectural Barriers Act of 1968. The Courthouse Access Advisory Committee (Committee) includes organizations with an interest in courthouse accessibility. This notice announces the date, times and location of the next Committee meeting, which will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting of the Committee is scheduled for July 20, 2006 (beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m.) and July 21, 2006 (beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 3 p.m.).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Edward W. Brooke Courthouse, 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Yanchulis, Office of Technical and Information Services, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, 1331 F Street, NW., suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004-1111. Telephone number (202) 272-0026 (Voice); (202) 272-0082 (TTY). E-mail yanchulis@access-board.gov. This document is available in alternate formats (cassette tape, Braille, large