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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 4, 2006.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), *OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV* or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to

the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Rural Housing Service

Title: 7 CFR 1944-B, Housing Applications Packaging Grants.

OMB Control Number: 0575-0157.

Summary of Collection: Section 509 of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, authorizes the Rural Housing Service (RHS) to make grants to private and public nonprofit organizations and State and local governments to package housing applications for section 502, 504, 514/515 and 533 to colonias and designated counties. Eligible organizations aid very low and low-income individuals and families in obtaining benefits from RHS housing programs. Various forms are used to confirm income verification for loan applicants, as a checklist to obtain a loan, and to check credit information about the applicants.

Need and Use of the Information: RHS field personnel will use this information to verify program eligibility requirements, to secure grant assistance, and for approval of housing application-packaging grants. The information will ensure that the program is administered in a manner consistent with legislative and administrative requirements. Without this information, RHS would be unable to determine if a grantee qualifies for grant assistance.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit; and State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 300.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 1,500.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Establishment of Red Creek Purchase Unit, Stone County, MS

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On March 20, 2006, the Under Secretary of Natural Resources and Environment created the Red Creek Purchase Unit. This purchase unit comprises 1,025 acres, more or less, within Stone County, Mississippi. A copy of the establishment document, which includes the legal description of the lands within the purchase unit, appears at the end of this notice.

DATES: *Effective Date:* Establishment of this purchase unit was effective March 20, 2006.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the map showing the purchase unit is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Director, Lands Staff, 4th Floor-South, Sidney R. Yates Federal Building, Forest Service, USDA, 201 14th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20250, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on business days. Those wishing to inspect the map are encouraged to call ahead to (202) 205-1248 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gregory C. Smith, Director, Lands Staff, Forest Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Mailstop 1124, Washington, DC 20250-0003, telephone: (202) 205-1248.

Dated: April 3, 2006.

Gloria Manning,

Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

Red Creek Purchase Unit

Stone County, Mississippi

The following described lands lying adjacent or proximate to the De Soto National Forest are determined to be suitable for the protection of the watersheds of navigable streams and for other purposes in accordance with section 6 of the Weeks Act of 1911 (16 U.S.C. 515). Therefore, in furtherance of the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture pursuant to the Weeks Act of 1911, as amended, including section 17 of the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (Pub. L. 94-588; 90 Stat. 2961), these lands are hereby designated and established as the Red Creek Purchase Unit.

Lands lying in Township 3 South, Range 10 West, Stone County, St. Stephens Principal Meridian, Mississippi, and more particularly described as:

Section 27: All that part of the W³/₄ and the NE¹/₄ of NE¹/₄, both lying South

of Red Creek; SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of NE $\frac{1}{4}$; NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Section 28: All that part of the S $\frac{1}{2}$ lying South of Red Creek.

Section 29: All that part of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ lying South and East of Red Creek; S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$.

Section 30: S $\frac{1}{2}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Containing 1,025 acres, more or less.

Executed in Washington, DC, this 20th day of March, 2006.

David P. Tenny,

Acting, Under Secretary, Natural Resources and Environment.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Lost River Watershed, Hardy County, WV

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a supplemental Environmental Impact Statement for the Lost River Subwatershed of the Potomac River Watershed Hardy County, West Virginia.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines (40 CFR part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Guidelines (7 CFR part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), U. S. Department of Agriculture, is giving notice that a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) is being prepared for the Lost River Subwatershed of the Potomac River Watershed, Hardy County, West Virginia. The SEIS will evaluate potential impacts to the natural, physical, and human environment as a result of the flood damage reduction and water supply storage measures proposed for the Lost River Subwatershed, Hardy County, West Virginia. The NRCS is soliciting public concerns/issues to be evaluated during the study process.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ronald L. Hilliard, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 75 High Street, Room 301, Morgantown, West Virginia 26505, telephone (304) 284-7545.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Lost River Work Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) was prepared in October 1974 and approved for operations on February 11,

1975 under authority of the Flood Control Act, Public Law 534. The approved work plan included provisions for land treatment measures covering 94,750 acres, four single-purpose floodwater retarding impoundments, and one multiple-purpose floodwater retarding and recreation impoundment. Two of the single-purpose floodwater retarding impoundments (Site 4, Kimsey Run and Site 27, Upper Cove Run) have been installed. In March 2001, the watershed plan was amended to add 400 acre-feet of rural water supply storage as a purpose for Site 10 (Camp Branch). The impoundment at Site 10 has also been installed. Planning is underway for the fourth impoundment (Site 16, Lower Cove Run) that was originally planned as a multiple purpose floodwater retarding and recreation structure. At the request of the local sponsoring organizations, the recreation component of Site 16 has been eliminated (other than incidental recreational uses) and the purpose of rural water supply has been added for this impoundment. The final impoundment (Site 23, Culler Run) has been determined not feasible due to engineering and geological concerns and will be eliminated as a component of the Lost River Watershed Project. Other alternatives originally considered to achieve the project purposes in the 1974 Plan-FEIS included land treatment, flood proofing, flood insurance, floodplain purchase, stream channel modification, diking, and various combinations thereof. Also considered was the "no project" alternative.

Alternatives to be addressed in the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) include the 1974 baseline conditions, the No-further Action Alternative, and Alternative 1. Alternative 1 includes constructing Site 16 for floodwater retention and rural water supply, and deleting Site 23 (Cullers Run) from the Plan.

The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that the project may cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Ronald L. Hilliard, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of a SEIS is needed for this project. Since impounded water may inundate a small portion of National Forest System Land, the U. S. Forest Service is a cooperating agency.

A DSEIS will be prepared and circulated for review by agencies and the public. The NRCS invites participation and consultation of agencies and individuals that have special expertise, legal jurisdiction, or

interest in the preparation of the DSEIS. Meetings may be scheduled upon the request of agencies or individuals to discuss the proposed action. Further information on the proposed action may be obtained from Ronald L. Hilliard, State Conservationist, at the above address, or telephone (304-284-7545).

Dated: March 30, 2006.

Ronald L. Hilliard,

State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: 2007 Census of Governments Prelist Survey of Special Districts.

Form Number(s): G-24.

Agency Approval Number: None.

Type of Request: New collection.

Burden: 750 hours.

Number of Respondents: 1,500.

Avg Hours Per Response: 30 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Census Bureau requests Office of Management and Budget approval of data collection Form G-24. This form will be used to update the universe list of special district governments for the 2007 Census of Governments. The information requested on this form is identical to that requested in the prelist phase of the 2002 Census of Governments. The G-24 survey form will be imprinted with a list of known special districts within the areas of each of the 1,500 counties, consolidated city-county governments, and independent cities designated to receive the form. Respondents will use the G-24 form to update the listing by correcting the imprinted special district list and by reporting any additional districts. The mail canvass is supplemented by calls to the major nonrespondents. The expected response rate is 90 percent based on the response rate achieved during the 2002 Prelist Survey of Special Districts. Procedures, with the exception of using more advanced computer technology to generate the form imprinted with the list of known special districts, are the same as used for the 2002 Prelist Survey.

This form will be used to verify the existence of special districts for the