

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting;  
On occasion; Quarterly.  
*Total Burden Hours:* 151.

**Ruth Brown,**

*Departmental Information Collection  
Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2020-0102]

#### Notice of Request for Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Standardizing Phytosanitary Treatment Regulations: Approval of Cold Treatment and Irradiation Facilities; Cold Treatment Schedules; and Establishment of Fumigation and Cold Treatment Compliance Agreements

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health  
Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Revision to and extension of  
approval of an information collection;  
comment request.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the  
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this  
notice announces the Animal and Plant  
Health Inspection Service's intention to  
request a revision to and extension of  
approval of an information collection  
associated with the phytosanitary treatment  
regulations to establish generic criteria  
that would allow for the approval of  
new cold treatment facilities in the  
Southern and Western States of the  
United States.

**DATES:** We will consider all comments  
that we receive on or before January 22,  
2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments  
by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to  
<http://www.regulations.gov/>  
#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2020-0102.
- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:*  
Send your comment to Docket No.  
APHIS-2020-0102, Regulatory Analysis  
and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station  
3A-03.8, 4700 River Road, Unit 118,  
Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any  
comments we receive on this docket  
may be viewed at [http://](http://www.regulations.gov/)  
[www.regulations.gov/](http://www.regulations.gov/)  
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in our reading room, which is located in  
room 1620 of the USDA South Building,  
14th Street and Independence Avenue  
SW, Washington, DC. Normal reading  
room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,

Monday through Friday, except  
holidays. To be sure someone is there to  
help you, please call (202) 799-7039  
before coming.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For  
information on environmental  
monitoring, contact Mr. Todd Dutton,  
Assistant Director, PHP, PPQ, APHIS,  
4700 River Road, Riverdale, MD 20737;  
(301) 851-2348. For copies of more  
detailed information on the information  
collection, contact Mr. Joseph Moxey,  
APHIS' Information Collection  
Coordinator, at (301) 851-2483.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Standardizing Phytosanitary  
Treatment Regulations: Approval of  
Cold Treatment and Irradiation  
Facilities; Cold Treatment Schedules;  
and Establishment of Fumigation and  
Cold Treatment Compliance  
Agreements.

*OMB Control Number:* 0579-0450.

*Type of Request:* Revision to and  
extension of approval of an information  
collection.

*Abstract:* The United States  
Department of Agriculture (USDA) is  
responsible for preventing plant  
diseases or insect pests from entering  
the United States, preventing the spread  
of pests and noxious weeds not widely  
distributed into the United States, and  
eradicating those imported pests when  
eradication is feasible. The Plant  
Protection Act (PPA, 7 U.S.C. 7701 *et  
seq.*) authorizes the Department to carry  
out this mission. Under the PPA, the  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection  
Service (APHIS) is authorized, among  
other things, to regulate the importation  
of plants, plant products, and other  
articles to prevent the introduction of  
plant pests into the United States.

The phytosanitary treatment  
regulations contained in 7 CFR part 305  
(referred to below as the regulations) set  
out the general requirements for  
performing treatments and certifying or  
approving treatment facilities for fruits,  
vegetables, and other articles to prevent  
the introduction or dissemination of  
plant pests or noxious weeds into or  
throughout the United States.

The phytosanitary treatment  
regulations establish generic criteria that  
would allow for the approval of new  
cold treatment and irradiation facilities;  
cold treatment schedules; and  
establishment of fumigation and cold  
treatment compliance agreements.  
These criteria also require additional  
information collection activities. For  
instance, APHIS requires the  
establishment of compliance agreements  
for those entities that operate fumigation  
facilities. Also, APHIS requires  
harmonized language concerning State

compliance with facility establishment  
and parameters for the movement of  
consignments from the port of entry or  
points of origin in the United States to  
the treatment facility in the irradiation  
treatment regulations language in the  
cold treatment regulations.

We are asking the Office of  
Management and Budget (OMB) to  
approve the use of these information  
collection activities, as described, for an  
additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit  
comments from the public (as well as  
affected agencies) concerning our  
information collection. These comments  
will help us:

(1) Evaluate 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our  
estimate of the burden of the collection  
of information, including the validity of  
the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and  
clarity of the information to be  
collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the  
collection of information on those who  
are to respond, through use, as  
appropriate, of automated, electronic,  
mechanical, and other collection  
technologies; e.g., permitting electronic  
submission of responses.

*Estimate of burden:* The public  
burden for this collection of information  
is estimated to average 0.51 hours per  
response.

*Respondents:* National plant  
protection organizations, facility  
operators, importers, and State  
governments.

*Estimated annual number of  
respondents:* 118.

*Estimated annual number of  
responses per respondent:* 3.

*Estimated annual number of  
responses:* 398.

*Estimated total annual burden on  
respondents:* 203 hours. (Due to  
averaging, the total annual burden hours  
may not equal the product of the annual  
number of responses multiplied by the  
reporting burden per response.)

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.

Done in Washington, DC, this 17th day of  
November 2020.

**Michael Watson,**

*Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant  
Health Inspection Service.*

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