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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Board for International Food and Agricultural Development; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of a public meeting of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD), *Agricultural Growth, Economic Transformation, and the Journey to Self-Reliance: Implications for USAID Programming*. The meeting will be held on October 13, 2020 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 EDT online. A public comment period is scheduled from 3:00 to 3:20 p.m., EDT. The meeting will be livestreamed via Zoom (registration required) and accessible at <http://www.aplu.org/projects-and-initiatives/international-programs/bifad/bifad-meetings.html>.

The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) is reorienting its strategies, partnership models, and program practices to achieve greater development outcomes and strive toward a future where foreign assistance is no longer necessary. The approach, outlined in the Agency's Policy Framework,¹ emphasizes the concept of "self-reliance"²—defined as the capacity and commitment of a country to plan, finance, and implement solutions to solve its own development challenges in an effective, inclusive, and accountable way.

The Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD) will convene a public meeting to better understand the concept of economic transformation—how underdeveloped and agrarian-based countries shift from subsistence agriculture to a commercially oriented economy with diverse agricultural, manufacturing, and service sectors—and how it contributes

to a country's resilience to shocks, such as COVID-19, and its progression toward self-reliance. Authors of a BIFAD-commissioned study will share preliminary findings and lessons learned on emerging success stories in agricultural productivity-led economic transformation and will discuss the implications of this evidence for USAID's agricultural and food security development and social safety net priorities and programming.

On the basis of testimony, including public comments, shared at the meeting, BIFAD will provide formal findings, conclusions, and recommendations to the Agency on best-bet operational and programmatic investments for catalyzing agricultural productivity and economic transformation.

BIFAD is a seven-member, presidentially appointed advisory board to USAID established in 1975 under Title XII of the Foreign Assistance Act, as amended. The provisions of Title XII concern bringing assets of U.S. universities to bear on development challenges in agriculture and food security, and the BIFAD's role is to help carry out this function.

For questions about registration, please contact Jordan Merker at (202) 478-6087. For questions about BIFAD, please contact Clara Cohen, Designated Federal Officer for BIFAD in the Bureau for Resilience and Food Security at USAID. Interested persons may email her at ccohen@usaid.gov or telephone her at (202) 712-0119.

Clara Cohen,

Designated Federal Officer, BIFAD.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2020-0085]

Notice of Request for Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; National Veterinary Services Laboratories Request Forms

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 its efforts to safeguard the health of the U.S. livestock and poultry populations by the use of National Veterinary Services Laboratories request forms.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before November 20, 2020.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2020-0085>.
- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2020-0085, 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://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2020-0085> or 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 National Veterinary Services Laboratories request forms, contact Ms. Lori Swiderski, Program Coordinator, National Veterinary Services Laboratories, Diagnostics and Biologics, VS, APHIS, 1920 Dayton Ave., Ames, IA 50010; (515) 337-7405. For more information on the information collection process, contact Mr. Joseph Moxey, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2483.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Veterinary Services Laboratories Request Forms.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0430.

¹ <https://www.usaid.gov/policyframework>.

² <https://www.usaid.gov/selfreliance>.

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

Abstract: The Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*) provides the Secretary of Agriculture broad authority to prohibit or restrict, through orders and regulations, the importation or entry of any animal, article, or means of conveyance if the U.S. Department of Agriculture determines that the prohibition or restriction is necessary to prevent the introduction or spread of any pest or disease of livestock within the United States. Disease prevention is the most effective method for maintaining a healthy animal population.

As an element of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) disease prevention mission, the National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL) safeguard U.S. animal health by ensuring that timely and accurate laboratory support is provided through a nationwide animal health diagnostic system. NVSL's work necessitates the use of several information collection activities including requests for reagents or supplies, NVSL contact information updates, and NVSL applications for laboratory training.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our 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 0.25 hours per response.

Respondents: Domestic and foreign diagnostic laboratories (Federal, State, university, or private), researchers

(academia, private, government), and private veterinary practitioners.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 1,113.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 4.

Estimated annual number of responses: 4,837.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 1,213 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 15th day of September 2020.

Mark Davidson,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement

Notice of Request for Approval—New Information Collection and Request for Comments

AGENCY: Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement (OPPE), Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of request for approval—new information collection and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the OPPE to request approval for a new information collection for survey administration.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by October 21, 2020 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: OPPE invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

Federal eRulemaking Portal: This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments. Mail, including CD-ROMs, etc.: Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement, Docket Clerk, 1400 Independence Ave SW, Mail Stop 0601, Room 520-A, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

Hand or courier-delivered submittals: Deliver to 1400 Independence Ave SW, Room 520-A Washington, DC 20250-3700. You may also send comments to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name and docket number [USDA-OPPE]. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Docket: For access to background documents or comments received, send requests to the OPPE Docket Room at 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20250 Mail Stop 3700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Attention: Kenya Nicholas, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Mail Stop 0601, Washington, DC 20250, Office 202-720-6350 and Fax 202-720-7704 or via email at: 2501grants@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Survey—Entities Serving Socially Disadvantaged/Veteran Farmers and Ranchers

OMB Number: 0503- New

Expiration Date of Approval: Three years from approval date.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Abstract: The OPPE has established a partnership with the Southern Rural Development Council who will be conducting a survey with USDA's stakeholders including nonprofits, community-based and non-governmental organizations, higher education institutions, and others. Attendees of upcoming Centers of Community Prosperity Summits nationwide will assist communities to foster hope and opportunity, wealth creation, and asset building. The information collected is on a single form; illustrating a short assessment of:

1. The self-identification of partners, collaborators, and stakeholders

2. Programmatic feedback—a short description of challenges faced during grant administration, outreach, and training efforts.

3. Participant contact information.

4. Evaluation on the effectiveness of program delivery.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .08 hours per response. [NOTE: To arrive at this