

Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

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.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection form and instruction should be directed to Moira Johnston, (703) 305-2515.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Performance Reporting System, Management Evaluation.

OMB Number: 0584-0010.

Expiration Date: January 31, 2007.

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

Abstract: The purpose of the Performance Reporting System (PRS) is to ensure that each State agency and project area is operating the Food Stamp Program in accordance with the requirements of the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (the Act) (7 U.S.C. 2011, *et seq.*), as amended, and corresponding program regulations. Under Section 11 of the Act (7 U.S.C. 2020), State agencies must maintain necessary records to ascertain that the Food Stamp Program is operating in compliance with the Act and regulations and must make these records available to the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) for inspection and audit.

Management Evaluation (ME) Review Schedules—Unless the State receives approval for an alternative Management Evaluation review schedule, each State agency is required, under 7 CFR part 275, to submit one review schedule every one, two, or three years, depending on the project area make-up of the State.

Data Analysis—Under 7 CFR part 275, each State must establish a system for analysis and evaluation of all data available to the State. Data analysis and evaluation is an ongoing process that facilitates the development of effective and prompt corrective action.

Corrective Action Plans—Under 7 CFR part 275, State agencies must prepare a corrective action plan (CAP) addressing identified deficiencies. The State agencies must develop a system for monitoring and evaluating corrective action and submit CAP updates, as necessary.

Affected Public: State and local agencies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,484.

Number of responses per respondent: 1.04.

Estimated total annual responses: 1,592.

Hours per response: 319.

Estimated Annual Reporting Burden: 490,736.

Number of record keepers: 54.

Estimated annual hours per record keepers: 30.

Estimated annual recordkeeping burden: 1,620 hours.

Total annual reporting and recordkeeping hours: 492,356.

Dated: September 27, 2006.

Roberto Salazar,

Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Eastern Washington Cascades Provincial Advisory Committee and the Yakima Provincial Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Eastern Washington Cascades Provincial Advisory Committee and the Yakima Provincial Advisory Committee will meet on the following dates: October 16, October 24, November 8, November 17, and December 6, 2006. All of these meetings (except the November 17 meeting) will be held at the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests Headquarters office, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, WA. The meeting on November 17 will be held at Chelan County Fire District #1, 206 Easy Street, Wenatchee, WA. These meetings will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue until 3 p.m. During these meetings Provincial Advisory Committee members will continue the collaboration process on forest plan issues relating to the preparation of a revised forest plan for the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests. All Eastern Washington Cascades and Yakima Province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct questions regarding this meeting to Paul Hart, Designated Federal Official, USDA, Wenatchee National Forest, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, Washington 98801, 509-664-9200.

Dated: September 27, 2006.

Paul Hart,

Designated Federal Official, Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Availability of Soil Scientist Specialist Report

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Availability.

SUMMARY: The Soil Scientist Specialist Report for the Basin Creek Hazardous Fuels Reduction Project Soil Productivity Best Management Practices Monitoring Compliance with Regional Soil Quality Standards is available for public review and comment. This report supplements the soils effects described in the Soils Section of the 2004 Basin Creek Hazardous Fuels Reduction Final Environmental Impact Statement.

DATES: Submit comments on or before November 17, 2006.

ADDRESSES: To send comments use the following mailing addresses:

(1) *U.S. Postal Service or hand-delivered comments:* Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Attention: Leaf Magnuson, 420 Barrett St, Dillon, MT 59725.

(2) *E-mail: comments-northern-beaverhead-deerlodge-butte@fs.fed.us.*

(3) *Fax:* 406-683-3855 Attn: Leaf Magnuson.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cindy Tencick, 406-683-3930.

Dated: September 26, 2006.

Peri R. Suenram,

Planning, Budget, Systems Staff Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Notice of Intent To Revise and Extend a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) and Office of Management and Budget regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the intention of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to request revision and extension of a currently approved information collection, the Equine Survey.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by December 4, 2006 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Ginny McBride, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250 or sent electronically to gmcbride@nass.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph T. Reilly, Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, (202) 720-4333.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Equine Survey.

OMB Number: 0535-0227.

Expiration Date: 02/28/2007.

Type of Request: Intent to Request Revision and Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: To improve information regarding the equine industry, several State Departments of Agriculture are expected to contract with the National Agricultural Statistics Service to conduct an Equine Survey in their State within the next 3 years. Equine activities offer unusually varied opportunities for rural development. In addition to providing the livelihood for breeders, trainers, veterinarians, and many others, the horse remains important to recreation. The number of operations, number of animals, and economic information will quantify the importance of the equine industry to State economies. Income data provides a view of the benefits that the industry provides to the State economy and a ranking of its relative importance within both the agricultural sector and the State's total economic sector. The expenditure information provides data regarding the multiplier effect of money from the equine industry, effects of wage rates paid to both permanent and part-time employees, and secondary businesses supported by the industry. NASS intends to request that the survey be approved for 3 years. These data will be collected under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2204(a). Individually identifiable data collected under this authority are governed by Section 1770 of the Food Security Act of 1985, 7 U.S.C. 2276, which requires USDA to afford strict confidentiality to non-aggregated data provided by respondents.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response.

Respondents: Horse owners, breeders, trainers, boarders.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 45,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 22,500 hours.

Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from Ginny McBride, NASS Clearance Officer, at (202) 720-5778.

Comments: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the 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. All responses to this notice will become a matter of public record and be summarized in the request for OMB approval.

Signed at Washington, DC, September 28, 2006.

R. Ronald Bosecker,
NASS Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Availability

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Record of Decision (ROD) for the Coal Creek Flood Control and Parkway Final Environmental Impact Statement is now available to the public. On September 1, 2006, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) published a Final Environmental Impact Statement consistent with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended, to disclose potential effects to the human environment resulting from proposed flood control improvements to Coal Creek in Cedar City, Utah. The ROD authorizes implementation of Alternative C (Replace Main Street diversion/drop structure) in conjunction

with the North Field Canal Option and Parkway Option C1.

DATES: *Effective Date:* October 2, 2006.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Marnie Wilson, Coal Creek EIS, USDA-NRCS, Wallace F. Bennett Federal Building, 125 South State Street, Room 4402, Salt Lake City, UT 84138-1100. Project information is also available on the Internet at: <http://www.ut.nrcs.usda.gov> under Public Notices.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Copies of the Final EIS and ROD are available by request from Marnie Wilson at the address listed above. Basic data developed during the environmental evaluation are on file and may be reviewed by contacting Sylvia Gillen, Utah State Conservationist.

Signed in Salt Lake City, Utah on September 21, 2006.

Sylvia A. Gillen,
State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business—Cooperative Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Business—Cooperative Service.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments requested.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Business-Cooperative Service's (RBS) intention to request information collection in support of the Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) program and Televisions Demonstration Grants (7 CFR part 1942-G).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by December 4, 2006 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cindy Mason, Specialty Lenders Division, Rural Business—Cooperative Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, STOP 3225, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250-3225, telephone (202) 690-1433.

ADDRESSES: Submit written comments on the collection of information to Renita Bolden, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Stop 0742, 1400