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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Information Collection: Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the extension of a currently approved information collection associated with the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act of 1978 (AFIDA).

DATES: We will consider comments that we receive by October 13, 2009.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comments, include date, volume, and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **Mail:** Patricia A. Blevins, Agricultural Foreign Investment Specialist, Natural Resources Analysis Group, Economic and Policy Analysis Staff, USDA, FSA, STOP 0531, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0531.

- **E-mail:** patricia.blevins@wdc.usda.gov.
- **Fax:** (202) 720-9617.

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. Copies of the information collection may be requested by contacting Patricia Blevins at the above addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia Blevins, Agricultural Foreign Investment Specialist, (202) 720-0604.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act Report.

OMB Control Number: 0560-0097.

Expiration Date of Approval: February 28, 2010.

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

Abstract: AFIDA requires foreign persons who hold, acquire, or dispose of any interest in U.S. agricultural land to report the transactions to the FSA on an AFIDA report (FSA-153). The information collected is made available to States. Also, although not required by law, the information collected from the AFIDA reports is used to prepare an annual report to Congress and the President concerning the effect of foreign investment upon family farms and rural communities so that Congress may review the annual report and decide if further regulatory action is required.

Estimate of Average Time to Respond: .2065 hours per response.

Respondents: Foreign investors, corporate employees, attorneys or farm managers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,375.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Number of Responses: 4,375.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 904 hours.

We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information collection, including the following, to 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 the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

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

- (4) 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 comments to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, on July 27, 2009.

Jonathan Coppess,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

[FR Doc. E9-19348 Filed 8-11-09; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Information Collection: Power of Attorney

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the extension of a currently approved information collection associated with the Power of Attorney. This information collection is used to support the FSA, Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) and Risk Management Agency (RMA) in conducting business and accepting signatures on documents from individuals acting on behalf of other individuals or entities.

DATES: We will consider comments that we receive by October 13, 2009.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comments, include date, volume, and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **Mail:** Mike Sienkiewicz, Agricultural Program Specialist, USDA, FSA, STOP 0572, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0572.

- **E-mail:** mike.sienkiewicz@wdc.usda.gov.
- **Fax:** (202) 720-0051.

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. Copies of the information collection may be requested by contacting Mike Sienkiewicz at the above addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Sienkiewicz, Agricultural Program Specialist, (202) 720-8959.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Power of Attorney.

OMB Control Number: 0560-0190.

Expiration Date of Approval: March 31, 2010.

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

Abstract: Individuals or entities that want to appoint another to act as an attorney-in-fact in connection with certain FSA, CCC, RMA programs and related actions must complete a FSA-211, Power of Attorney form. The FSA-211 is the form that is used by a grantor to appoint another to act on the individual's or entity's behalf for certain FSA, CCC, and RMA programs and related actions, giving the appointee legal authority to enter into certain binding agreements on the grantor's behalf. The FSA-211 also provides FSA, CCC and RMA a source to verify an individual's authority to sign and act for another in the event of errors or fraud. The information collected on the FSA-211 is limited to grantor's name, signature and identification number, the grantee's address, and the applicable FSA, CCC, and RMA programs.

Estimate of Average Time To Respond: .25 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or authorized representatives of entities, such as corporations, who want to appoint an attorney-in-fact to act on their behalf.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 179,822.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Number of Responses: 179,822.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 44,956 hours.

We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information collection, including the following, to 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 the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

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

(4) 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 comments to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, on August 4, 2009.

Jonathan W. Coppess,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Ketchikan, Alaska, August 27, 2009. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss potential projects under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2008.

DATES: The meeting will be held August 27, 2009 at 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ketchikan-Misty Fiords Ranger District Office, 3031 Tongass Avenue, Ketchikan, Alaska. Send written comments to Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee, c/o District Ranger, USDA Forest Service, 3031 Tongass Ave., Ketchikan, AK 99901, or electronically to Diane Daniels, RAC Coordinator at ddaniels@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane Daniels, RAC Coordinator Ketchikan-Misty Fjords Ranger District, Tongass National Forest, (907) 228-4105.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: July 31, 2009.

Forrest Cole,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in

Red Bluff, California. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Introductions, (2) Approval of Minutes from May 21 & July 16, (3) Public Comment, (4) Chairman's Perspective, (5) Reconsider & Vote on Yolla Bolly Project, (6) FY09 RAC Proposal Presentations, (7) Next Agenda.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 20, 2009 from 9 a.m. and end at approximately 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Lincoln Street School, Pine Room, 1135 Lincoln Street, Red Bluff, CA. Individuals wishing to speak or propose agenda items must send their names and proposals to Randy Jero, Committee Coordinator, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randy Jero, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, 825 N. Humboldt Ave, Willows, CA 95988. (530) 934-1269; E-Mail riero@fs.fed.us.

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 matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by August 17, 2009 will have the opportunity to address the committee at those sessions.

Dated: August 4, 2009.

Eduardo Olmedo,

Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Newspapers To Be Used for Publication of Legal Notice of Appealable Decisions and Publication of Notice of Proposed Actions for Eastern Region: Illinois, Indiana and Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire and Maine, Pennsylvania, Vermont and New York, West Virginia, and Wisconsin

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Deciding Officers in the Eastern Region will publish notice of decisions subject to administrative appeal under 36 CFR parts 215 and 217 in the legal notice section of the newspapers listed in the Supplementary