

copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles, APHIS* Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Animal Health Monitoring System; Goat 2009 Study.
OMB Number: 0579-xxxx.

Type of Request: Approval of a new information collection.

Abstract: Under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the United States Department of Agriculture is authorized, among other things, to prevent the introduction and interstate spread of livestock diseases by prohibiting or restricting the importation and interstate movement of animals and other articles and by eradicating such diseases from the United States when feasible. In connection with this mission, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) operates the National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS), which collects nationally representative, statistically valid, and scientifically sound data on the prevalence and economic importance of livestock and poultry diseases and associated risk factors.

NAHMS' studies have evolved into a collaborative industry and government initiative to help determine the most effective means of preventing and controlling diseases of livestock. APHIS is the only agency responsible for collecting data on livestock health. Participation in any NAHMS study is voluntary, and all data are confidential.

APHIS plans to conduct the Goat 2009 Study as part of an ongoing series of NAHMS studies on the U.S. livestock population. The 21 States targeted for the study have approximately 85 percent of the goats in the United States and 78 percent of U.S. operations with goats. The purpose of this study is to collect information, through questionnaires and biologic sampling, to:

- Determine producer awareness of Veterinary Services program diseases and describe management and biosecurity practices important for the control of infectious diseases (including brucellosis, scrapie, caprine arthritis encephalitis (CAE), Johne's, and caseous lymphadenitis). Provide a baseline description of animal health, nutrition, and management practices in the U.S. goat industry.
- Estimate the prevalence of:
 - Mycobacterium paratuberculosis (Johne's) infection;
 - Internal parasitism and anthelmintic resistance; and

- Common causes of mastitis.
- Characterize contagious ecthyma (soremouth) in U.S. goats. Determine producer awareness of zoonotic potential and practices to prevent soremouth transmission and assess producer interest in an improved vaccine for soremouth.
- Examine factors (i.e., genetic and/or management) that correlate with CAE virus levels.
- Provide genetic and serological banks for future research.

The study will consist of a series of on-farm questionnaires, with biologic sampling, that will be administered by APHIS-designated data collectors. The information collected through the Goat 2009 Study will be analyzed and organized into descriptive reports. Information sheets will be derived from these reports, and the data will be disseminated to and used by a variety of constituents, including producers, veterinarians, stakeholders, academia, and others. The data will help APHIS address emerging issues and examine the economic impact of selected health management practices.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities for 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 information collection, 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 information collection 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 reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.048689 hours per response.

Respondents: Goat producers in 21 States.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 5,500.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 1.5536.

Estimated annual number of responses: 8,544.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 8,960 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 23rd day of September 2008.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2008-0088]

Mexican Fruit Fly; Removal of Quarantined Areas

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of changes to quarantined area.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that we have made changes to the areas quarantined for Mexican fruit fly. The quarantined area was updated on July 15, 2008, by removing from quarantine the area in San Diego County, CA, that had been quarantined, and on August 20, 2008, by removing from quarantine the area in Willacy County, TX, that had been quarantined.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Wayne D. Burnett, National Coordinator, USDA-APHIS-Fruit Fly Exclusion and Detection Programs, 4700 River Road Unit 137, Riverdale, MD 20737-1234; (301) 734-4387.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Mexican fruit fly (*Anastrepha ludens*) is a destructive pest of fruit. In the United States, the Mexican fruit fly attacks apples, apricots, avocados, grapefruit, mangos, nectarines, peaches, pears, plums, prunes, oranges, and tangerines, as well as other fruits.

In a final rule published in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 32431-32439, Docket No. APHIS-2006-0084) on June 9, 2008, and effective on July 9, 2008, we established a new subpart that consolidated our domestic fruit fly quarantine regulations (§§ 301.32

through 301.32–10, referred to below as the regulations). These regulations set out procedures for determining the areas quarantined for fruit flies and impose restrictions on the interstate movement of regulated articles from quarantined areas.

Section 301.32–3 of the regulations sets out the procedures for determining the areas quarantined for fruit flies. Paragraph (a) of § 301.32–3 states that the Administrator will designate as a quarantined area each State, or each portion of a State, in which a fruit fly population subject to the regulations has been found by an inspector or in which the Administrator has reason to believe that a fruit fly population is present, or that the Administrator considers necessary to quarantine because of its inseparability for quarantine enforcement purposes from localities in which a fruit fly population has been found.

Section 301.32–3 of the regulations provides that a State, or a portion of a State, will be removed from quarantine when the Administrator determines that sufficient time has passed without finding additional flies or other evidence of infestation in the area to conclude that the fruit fly no longer exists in that area.

Section 301.32–3 of the regulations further provides that the Administrator will publish the description of the quarantined area on the Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) Web site, http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/fruit_flies/index.shtml. The description of the quarantined area will include the date the description was last updated and a description of the changes that have been made to the quarantined area. The description of the quarantined area may also be obtained by request from any local office of PPQ; local officials are listed in telephone directories. Finally, § 301.32–3 establishes that, after a change is made to the quarantined area, we will publish a notice in the **Federal Register** informing the public that the change has occurred and describing the change to the quarantined area.

On July 15, 2008, we removed the area in San Diego County, CA, from quarantine and updated the quarantined area for Mexican fruit fly on the PPQ Web site.

On August 20, 2008, we removed the area in Willacy County, TX, from quarantine and updated the quarantined area for Mexican fruit fly on the PPQ Web site.

This notice is to inform the public of these changes.

Previous Interim Rules

This notice also serves to inform the public that we are taking no action on the following fruit fly quarantine interim rules because the lists of areas quarantined for fruit flies were removed from the regulations in the June 2008 final rule.

- Mediterranean Fruit Fly; Add Portions of Santa Clara and Solano Counties, CA, to the List of Quarantined Areas (72 FR 69137–69139, Docket No. APHIS–2007–0133), published and effective December 7, 2007;

- Mexican Fruit Fly; Removal of Quarantined Area (73 FR 5086–5087, Docket No. APHIS–2008–0129), published and effective January 29, 2008, which removed Willacy County, TX, from the list of Mexfly quarantined areas;

- Mediterranean Fruit Fly; Add Portion of Los Angeles County, CA, to the List of Quarantined Areas (73 FR 9171–9172, Docket No. APHIS–2008–0004), published and effective February 20, 2008; and

- Mexican Fruit Fly; Designation of Portion of Willacy County, TX, as a Quarantined Area (73 FR 31929–31930, Docket No. APHIS–2008–0057), published and effective June 5, 2008.

The current fruit fly quarantined areas can be viewed on the PPQ Web site at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/plant_health/plant_pest_info/fruit_flies/index.shtml.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 7701–7772 and 7781–7786; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

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Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Information Collection for the Report of School Program Operations

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on a proposed information collection. The proposed collection is an extension of a

currently approved collection for the Report of School Programs Operations.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by November 28, 2008.

ADDRESSES: 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 shall 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 use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments may be sent to: Mrs. Lynn Rodgers-Kuperman, Chief, Program Analysis and Monitoring Branch, Child Nutrition Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 638, Alexandria, Virginia 22302. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

All written comment(s) will be open for public inspection at the office of the Food and Nutrition Service during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday) at 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 640, Alexandria, Virginia 22302.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval, and will become a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Request for additional information should be directed to: Mrs. Lynn Rodgers-Kuperman at (703) 305–2590.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Report of School Programs Operations.

OMB Number: 0584–0002.

Expiration Date: March 31, 2009.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The National School Lunch Program, the School Breakfast Program, the Commodity Schools Program, and the Special Milk Program are authorized by the National School Lunch Act, 42 U.S.C. 1751, *et seq.*, and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, 42 U.S.C. 1771, *et seq.* Program implementing regulations are contained in 7 CFR parts 210, 215, and 220. In accordance with § 210.5(d)(1), § 215.11(c)(2), and