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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

7 CFR Part 1b, 372, 520, 650, 799, 1970, and 3407

36 CFR Part 220

[USDA–2025–0008]

RIN 0503–AA86

National Environmental Policy Act

AGENCY: Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Interim final rule; correction and correcting amendment.

SUMMARY: This document corrects technical errors in the interim final rule that appeared in the July 3, 2025, **Federal Register**, titled “National Environmental Policy Act.”

DATES: Effective July 18, 2025.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Correction

In rule document 2025–12326, appearing on pages 29632 through 29674 in the issue of Thursday, July 3, 2025, make the following correction:

On page 29632 in the first column, third line from the top in the heading, “2407” is corrected to read “3407”.

Correcting Amendment

Accordingly, 7 CFR part 1b is corrected by making the following correcting amendment:

■ 1. The authority citation for part 1b continues to read:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*; E.O. 11514, 3 CFR, 1966–1970 Comp., p. 902, as amended by E.O. 11991, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 123; E.O. 12114, 3 CFR, 1980 Comp., p. 356; 40 CFR 1507.3.

§ 1b.4 [Corrected]

■ 2. Amend § 1b.4 by redesignating the second paragraph (c)(30)(xiv) as (c)(30)(xix).

Tera Graelyn,

Environmental Review Specialist, Office of the Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

7 CFR Parts 1560 and 1570

[Docket No. FAS–2025–0001]

RIN 0551–AB08

Obsolete Provisions

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: FAS is in the process of reviewing all regulations within its purview to reduce regulatory burdens and costs. Pursuant to this review, FAS has identified the following obsolete, unnecessary, and outdated provisions in title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulation (CFR). FAS is removing these provisions to streamline and update title 7.

DATES: This rule is effective July 18, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The President’s Executive Order 14219 of February 19, 2025, *Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President’s “Department of Government Efficiency” Deregulatory Initiative*, 90 FR 10583, and subsequent implementing memorandum directed all agency heads to review regulations within their purview and rescind those that are, among other things, unlawful or unnecessary. FAS has undertaken such a review and is accordingly removing the following regulations from title 7.

Regulatory Certifications

Executive Orders

This document does not meet the criteria for a significant regulatory action as specified by Executive Order (E.O.) 12866. This action also has no federalism or tribal implications and will not impose substantial unreimbursed compliance costs on States, local governments, or Indian tribal governments. Therefore, impact statements are not required under E.O. 13132 or 13175.

Environmental Evaluation

This rule will have no significant effect on the human environment; therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor impact statement is required.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not contain reporting or recordkeeping requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Explanation of Provisions

The regulations removed are:

Procedures To Monitor Canadian Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Imports, 7 CFR Part 1560

The regulations at 7 CFR part 1560 implemented section 301(a) of the United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement Implementation Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100–449), which provided for the imposition of temporary duties on imports of Canadian fresh fruit and vegetables when certain specified conditions were met. The statutory authority underlying the regulations expired in 2009. Therefore, pursuant to the preamble, these provisions are obsolete and unnecessary.

Export Bonus Programs, 7 CFR 1570

The regulations at 7 CFR part 1570 pertain to two initiatives formerly administered by FAS, the Sunflower Oil Assistance Program (SOAP) and Cottonseed Oil Assistance Program (COAP). These programs initially were authorized in the Disaster Assistance Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100–387), 7 U.S.C. 1464 note. The authority for the programs expired at the close of fiscal year 1996. Therefore, pursuant to the preamble, these provisions are obsolete and unnecessary.

List of Subjects**7 CFR Part 1560**

Canada, Customs duties and inspection, Fruits, Imports, Trade agreements, Vegetables.

7 CFR Part 1570

Agricultural commodities, Exports, Foreign trade, International trade.

PART 1560—[REMOVED AND RESERVED]**PART 1570—[REMOVED AND RESERVED]**

■ For the reasons stated in the preamble, and under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 1464, note, The Disaster Assistance Act of 1988 (Pub. L. 100–387), FAS removes and reserves 7 CFR parts 1560 and 1570.

Signed in Washington, DC, this 14th day of July 2025.

Jason Hafemeister,

Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Rural Utilities Service****7 CFR Part 1767**

[Docket #: RUS–24–ELECTRIC–0038]

RIN 0572–AC70

Accounting Requirements for RUS Electric Borrowers

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS or the Agency), an agency of the Rural Development (RD) mission area within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), is issuing a final rule with comment to update the accounting requirements for RUS Electric Program borrowers. These changes include adding new accounts to the Uniform System of Accounts (USoA), deleting obsolete accounts and clarifying instructions and definitions for the new and some existing accounts. In addition, new accounts and general instructions are being added for partially extinguished or forgiven debt.

DATES:

Effective date: September 16, 2025.

Comment date: Comments must be submitted on or before August 18, 2025.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by going to the Federal eRulemaking Portal, *regulations.gov*/. In the “Search for dockets and documents

on agency actions” box, enter the docket number, RUS–24–Electric–0038, and click “Search” button. From the search results: click on or locate the document title: “Updates to the RUS Electric Program Uniform System of Accounts” and select the “Comment” button. To submit a comment: Insert comments under the “Comment” title, click “Browse” to attach files (if available), input email address, select box to opt to receive email confirmation of submission and tracking (optional), select the box “I’m not a robot,” and then select “Submit Comment”. Information on using *Regulations.gov*, including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available under the site’s “FAQ” link. All comments will be available for public inspection online at the Federal eRulemaking Portal.

Other Information: Additional information about RD and its programs is available on the internet at *rusdev.usda.gov/index.html*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Background**

RD is a mission area within the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) comprising the RUS, Rural Housing Service, and Rural Business-Cooperative Service. RD’s mission is to increase economic opportunity and improve the quality of life for all rural Americans. RD meets its mission by providing loans, loan guarantees, grants, and technical assistance through numerous programs aimed at creating and improving housing, business, and infrastructure throughout rural America. RUS loan, loan guarantee, and grant programs act as a catalyst for economic and community development. By financing improvements to rural electric, water and waste, and telecommunications and broadband infrastructure, RUS also plays a significant role in improving other measures of quality of life in rural America, including public health and safety, environmental protection, and cultural and historic preservation.

The RUS Electric Program provides funding to maintain, expand, upgrade, and modernize America’s rural electric infrastructure. The loans and loan guarantees finance the construction or

improvement of electric distribution, transmission, and generation facilities in rural areas.

A Uniform System of Accounts (USoA) provides a unified definition for how transactions are recorded so that accounting records are uniform across companies, thus ensuring that similar transactions are recorded similarly. When all borrowers follow the same USoA, the Agency has a uniform way to review and monitor the financial conditions of its borrowers. The RUS USoA is codified in this part and is based on the USoA promulgated by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC). The last revision to 7 CFR 1767 was published May 27, 2008, at 73 FR 30277. FERC will occasionally issue new or revised accounting guidance for electric utilities. The Agency must review the guidance and determine how it applies to the RUS Electric Program borrowers. Since Electric Program awardees can be subject to FERC requirements, RUS must incorporate the new plant categories and accounts for consistency.

The Agency is proposing to issue a final rule with comment to update 7 CFR 1767, subpart B to add new accounts to the USoA for electric borrowers based on revised guidance that was included in FERC order 898, Accounting and Reporting of Certain Renewable Energy Assets, that was issued June 29, 2023, and became effective January 1, 2025. In addition to the new accounts being added, the changes will also include deleting obsolete accounts as well as clarifying instructions and definitions for the new accounts. The Agency will also be adding new accounts and general instructions for partially extinguished or forgiven debt.

The Administrative Procedure Act exempts from prior notice rules, any actions, “relating to agency management or personnel or to public property, loans, grants, benefits, or contracts” (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)).

II. Summary of Changes

A. Section 1767.10 is being updated to add the following definitions, in alphabetical order, Amortization of gain on extinguished RUS long-term debt, Awardee, Partially forgivable loan and Unamortized gain on extinguished RUS long-term debt. The addition of these terms and definitions will provide additional clarity for Awardees.

B. Section 1767.15 is being updated as follows:

1. The heading for paragraph (q) is being changed from “Long-term debt: premium, discount and expense, and gain or loss on reacquisition” to “Long-