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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments are requested regarding; 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; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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.

Comments regarding this information collection received by November 29, 2023 will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number, and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Imported Seed and Screening.
OMB Control Number: 0579–0124.

Summary of Collection: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is responsible for preventing plant diseases or insect pests from entering the United States, preventing the spread of pests not widely distributed in the United States, and eradicating imported pests when eradication is feasible. Under the authority of the Federal Seed Act of 1939, as amended, the USDA regulates the importation and interstate movement of certain agricultural and vegetable seeds. The USDA Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Plant Protection and Quarantine (PPQ) Division has established a seed analysis program with Canada that allows U.S. companies that import seed for cleaning or processing to enter into compliance agreements with APHIS. To monitor and ensure compliance with United States agricultural regulations, APHIS will collect information using forms and other information activities.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information from forms, correspondence, inspections, and discussions to ensure imported seeds do not pose a threat to U.S. agriculture. If the information were not collected, there would be increased risk of severe economic damage to United States agriculture caused by plant diseases and insect pests.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Federal Government.
Number of Respondents: 1,153.

Frequency of Responses:
Recordkeeping: Reporting; On occasion.
Total Burden Hours: 9,632.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Volunteer Service Agreements and Volunteer Service Time and Attendance Record.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0477.

Summary of Collection: Section 1526 of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 [7 U.S.C. 2272] permits the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a program to use volunteers in carrying out programs of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The regulations in title 5 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Administrative Personnel, part 308, authorizes an agency to establish

programs designed to provide educationally related volunteer assignments for students.

APHIS will collect information using MRP forms, 126A, Student Service Agreement and Recordkeeping; MRP 126B, Nonstudent Volunteer Service Agreement; and MRP 126C, Volunteer Time and Attendance Record.

Need and Use of the Information: This information collection is necessary to: (a) facilitate establishment of guidelines for acceptance of volunteer services under the above authorities; (b) make a determination of individuals' eligibility and suitability to serve as a volunteer in the Marketing and Regulatory Programs (MRP), USDA; and (c) comply with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) regulation to require documentation of volunteer service. If this information collection is not conducted, MRP would not be able to determine the individual's eligibility and suitability to serve as a volunteer.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households and businesses.

Number of Respondents: 86.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting; On occasion; Quarterly.

Total Burden Hours: 151.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

[Docket ID: NRCS-2023-0019]

Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice of public and virtual meeting.

SUMMARY: The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will hold a public meeting of the Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Advisory Committee (UAIPAC). UAIPAC will convene to discuss proposed recommendations for the Secretary of Agriculture on the development of policies and outreach relating to urban, indoor, and other emerging agriculture production practices. UAIPAC is authorized under

the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (2018 Farm Bill) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended.

DATES:

Meeting: The UAIPAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

Written Comments: Written comments will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, December 13, 2023.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting Location: The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom Webinar. Pre-registration is required to attend the UAIPAC meeting and access information will be provided to registered individuals via email. Registration details can be found at: <https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/federal-advisory-committee-urban-ag>.

Written Comments: We invite you to send comments in response to this notice. Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRCS-2023-0019. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. All written comments received will be publicly available on www.regulations.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Guse; Designated Federal Officer; telephone: (202) 205-9723; email: UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov.

Individuals who require alternative means for communication may contact the USDA TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and text telephone (TTY)) or dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay service (both voice and text telephone users can initiate this call from any telephone).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

UAIPAC Purpose

The Federal Advisory Committee for Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production is one of several ways that USDA is extending support and building frameworks to support urban agriculture, including issues of equity and food and nutrition access. Section 222 of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994, as amended by section 12302 of the 2018 Farm Bill (7 U.S.C. 6923; Pub. L. 115-334) directed the Secretary to establish an "Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Advisory Committee" to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on any aspect of section 222, including the development of policies and outreach relating to urban, indoor, and other emerging agricultural production practices as well as identify any barriers to urban agriculture. UAIPAC will host

public meetings to deliberate on recommendations for the Secretary of Agriculture. These recommendations provide advice to the Secretary on supporting urban agriculture and innovative production through USDA's programs and services.

Meeting Agenda

The agenda items may include, but are not limited to, welcome and introductions; administrative matters; presentations from the UAIPAC or USDA staff; and deliberations for proposed recommendations and plans. The USDA UAIPAC website (<https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/federal-advisory-committee-urban-ag>) will be updated with the final agenda at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Written Comments

Comments should address specific topics pertaining to urban agriculture and innovative production. Written comments will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, December 13, 2023. General questions and comments are also accepted at any time via email: UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov.

Meeting Materials

All written comments received by Wednesday, December 13, 2023, will be compiled for UAIPAC review and will be included in the meeting minutes. Duplicate comments from multiple individuals will appear as one comment, with a notation that multiple copies of the comment were received. Please visit <https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/federal-advisory-committee-urban-ag> to view the agenda and minutes from the meeting.

Meeting Accommodations

If you require reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpretation, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodation, to the person listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Determinations for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

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