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Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Recordkeeping for Employment and Training Program Activity Report and Requests for Additional 100 Percent Funding.

OMB Control Number: 0584–0339.

Summary of Collection: The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105–33), modified the Employment and Training (E&T) Program so that States' efforts are now focused on a particular segment of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) population—able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWDs).

Requests for Additional E&T Funds: 7 CFR 273.7(d)(1)(i)(D) provides that if a State agency will not expend all of the funds allocated to it for a fiscal year, FNS will reallocate unexpended funds to other State agencies during the fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year as FNS considers appropriate and equitable. After FNS makes initial E&T allocations, under 7 CFR 273.7(d)(1)(i), State agencies may request additional E&T funds if needed. FNS will reallocate available funds (e.g., funds that are unallocated or funds that are allocated but will not be spent) in a fair and equitable manner.

Retention and Custody of Records. Under 7 CFR 277.12 (1) and (2), all financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, negotiated contracts, and all other records pertinent to program funds shall be maintained for three years from the date of submission of the annual financial status report or if any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the three-year period, the applicable records shall be retained until these have been resolved.

Need and Use of the Information: FNS will review requests about their E&T programs so that the Department can monitor State performance to ensure that the program is being efficiently and economically operated. Without the information, FNS would be unable to make adjustments or allocate exemptions in accordance with the statute.

Description of Respondents: State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 53.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: Occasionally; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 50.

Rachelle Ragland-Greene,

Acting Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS–2024–0002]

National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods: Committee and Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice of intent to renew the Committee and its charter.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, this notice is announcing the intention of the USDA to renew the committee for the National Advisory Committee on Microbiological Criteria for Foods (NACMCF) and its charter.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Kristal Southern, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 1128, Washington, DC 20250–3700. Telephone number: (202) 937–4171. Email: NACMCF@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The NACMCF is a discretionary advisory committee that was established in 1988 by the Secretary of Agriculture after consulting with the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in response to the recommendations of two external organizations. The National Academy of Sciences recommended an interagency approach to microbiological criteria since various federal, State, and local agencies are responsible for food safety. Also, the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Appropriations made a similar recommendation in the Rural Development, Agriculture, and Related Agencies Appropriation Bill for fiscal year 1988.

The NACMCF provides impartial scientific advice and recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Health and Human Services on public health issues relative to the safety and wholesomeness of the U.S. food supply, including the development of microbiological criteria and review

and evaluation of epidemiological and risk assessment data and methodologies for assessing microbiological hazards in foods. The Committee also provides scientific advice and recommendations to the Departments of Commerce and Defense. The Under Secretary for Food Safety, USDA, Dr. Emilio Esteban, is the Committee Chair; the Acting Director of the Food and Drug Administration's Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Dr. Donald Prater, is the Vice-Chair; and Dr. Kristal Southern, FSIS, is the Designated Federal Officer and Director of the NACMCF Secretariat.

The charter for the NACMCF is available for viewing on the FSIS website at <https://www.fsis.usda.gov/policy/advisory-committees/national-advisory-committee-microbiological-criteria-foods-nacmcf>.

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Dated: February 7, 2024.

Egypt Simon,

Acting USDA Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

[Docket No. RBS-23-BUSINESS-0028]

60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP); OMB Control No.: 0570-0062

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Business-Cooperative Service announces its' intention to request a revision of a currently approved information collection and invites comments on this information collection.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by April 15, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at: <https://www.regulations.gov>. To comment, in the "Search" box, enter the docket number: "RBS-23-BUSINESS-0028." You will be taken to the "Search Results" page and a link to the Notice. To submit a comment, click on the "Comments" button under the Notice document name (this will be under the "Documents" tab if not already brought there). When you comment, you must complete all the required information, and include the Agency name and docket number. When done commenting, select the "Submit Comment" button at the bottom of the page. Information on commenting is available in the "Commenter's Checklist" located at the top of the comment page or by viewing the FAQ tab. All comments submitted, from all sources, will be posted, without change to <https://www.regulations.gov>. Comments containing profanity, vulgarity, threats, or other inappropriate language or content will not be considered. The Agency requests that no business proprietary information, copyrighted information, or personally identifiable information be submitted in response to this Notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Crystal Pemberton, Management Analyst, Branch 1, Rural Development Innovation Center—Regulations Management Division, United States Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, South Building, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Telephone: (202) 260-8621. Email: Crystal.Pemberton@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see, 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies the following information collection that Rural Business-Cooperative Service is submitting to OMB as extension to an existing collection with Agency adjustment.

Title: Rural Microentrepreneur Assistance Program (RMAP).

OMB Number: 0570-0062.

Expiration Date of Approval: August 31, 2024.

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

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2 hours per response.

Respondents: Nonprofits, Indian Tribes, and Public Institutions of Higher Education.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 40.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 11.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours on Respondents: 1907.

Abstract: The purpose of the RMAP program is to support the development and ongoing success of rural microentrepreneurs and microenterprises. Loans and grants are made to Microenterprise Development Organizations (MDOs) to provide rural microentrepreneurs with the skills necessary to establish new rural microenterprises, to provide continuing technical and financial assistance related to the successful operation of rural microenterprises, and to assist with the cost of providing other activities and services related to the successful operation of MDOs and rural microenterprises. The loans establish or augment a rural microentrepreneur revolving loan fund and the grants provide technical assistance and training to microenterprises.

Comments are invited on:

(a) 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;

(b) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;