

holding contracts with rates significantly higher than current timber market rates due to a drastic reduction in forest products markets. The relief options include: (a) Contract cancellation or rate determination, (b) substitution of the Bureau of Labor statistics producer price index specified in the contract, (c) rate redetermination following substitution of index, (d) extension of contracts using the hardwood lumber index, and (e) extension of Market-Related Contract term Addition time limit for certain contracts.

Need and Use of the Information: To obtain the benefits of these options, National Forest System timber sale purchasers are required to provide information of the timber sale name, contract number, purchasers name, rationale for request (selection from list of established options), witness signatures, certification, signature and corporate seal. Forest Service will use forms including but not limited to FS-2400-70 and FS-2400-71 to collect the information.

Description of Respondents:

Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 347.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other (one time).

Total Burden Hours: 83.

Forest Service

Title: Subsistence Harvest Patterns in Prince William Sound.

OMB Control Number: 0596—New.

Summary of Collection: In 1989, Prince William Sound (PWS), the heart of the Chugach National Forest was severely impacted by the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill (EVOS). In the aftermath of the spill, federal and state trustees were awarded criminal and civil restitution funds to help with the recovery and the evaluation of the recovery that includes traditional practices of subsistence harvest, which is still listed as “recovering.” Subsistence harvest is an important part of the rural Alaskan lifestyle. The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act requires that federal land managers consider the effects of management on subsistence activities. Recreation use is increasing in the Sound raising concern that increased competition and rapid growth in commercial and independent recreation may be negatively impacting subsistence activities through direct competition for resources from sport fishers and hunters, but also indirectly by displacing subsistence harvesters from traditional harvest areas. Residents from the four communities of PWS (Chenega, Cordova, Tatitlek and Whittier) who are subsistence eligible

will be consulted through individual household interviews.

Need and Use of the Information: Respondents will describe harvest practices and any recent changes in such activities due to other users or changes in species availability. The results of this survey (funded by EVOS criminal restitution dollars) will provide information on recovery and restoration activities undertaken by both the EVOS trustees and local resource managers relative to current and projected levels of human use. The study provides an opportunity to assess the recovery of the subsistence human service injured and redistributed by the EVOS, as well as how the Chugach National Forest managers can further enhance recovery.

Description of Respondents:

Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 530.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other (one time).

Total Burden Hours: 196.

Forest Service

Title: Southern Appalachian Forest Management Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0596—New.

Summary of Collection: The Healthy Forest Restoration Act (Pub. L. 108-148) enabling legislation, Title IV (Insect Infestations and Related Diseases) authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to perform accelerated information gathering regarding the development of treatment strategies to protect forests from damaging insects and diseases. This study will provide credible, science-based information to forest-health protection managers regarding the public acceptability of alternative treatments strategies for protecting hemlock forests on public forestland in the eastern United States from the exotic insect hemlock woolly adelgid (HWA). Using random digit dialing the Forest Service (FS) will collect the information from individuals (heads of households). Individuals agreeing to participate will receive a questionnaire in the mail along with additional information about the purpose of the study. The organization “Friends of Great Smoky Mountain National Park” has expressed an interest in the program and researchers will use identical phone-mail-phone protocols to obtain information from members.

Need and Use of the Information: The FS is seeking to determine the appropriate level of effort to take to protect hemlock forests on public land in the eastern United States from the HWA. The FS and university researchers will collect and analyze information regarding the value of the hemlock forests located on public land in the Southern Appalachian Mountains

from residents living within 500 miles of Asheville, North Carolina. The data and analyses will provide guidance to public forest managers regarding the value of ecosystem services supplied by hemlock forests on the land that they manage and the level of public support for alternative hemlock forest-protection programs.

Description of Respondents:

Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 1,200.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other (one time).

Total Burden Hours: 541.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2008-0128]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Importation of Swine and Swine Products From the European Union

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with regulations for the importation of swine and swine products from the European Union.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before January 23, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2008-0128> to submit or view comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.

- **Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:** Please send two copies of your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2008-0128, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road, Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. APHIS-2008-0128.

Reading Room: You may read any comments that we receive on this docket in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690-2817 before coming.

Other Information: Additional information about APHIS and its programs is available on the Internet at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on regulations for the importation of swine and swine products from the European Union, contact Dr. James Davis, Senior Staff Veterinarian, National Center for Import and Export (Animals), VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 39, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734-0694; or Dr. Lynette McDuffie, Staff Veterinarian, National Center for Import and Export (Products), VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 40, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734-0689. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Importation of Swine and Swine Products From the European Union.

OMB Number: 0579-0265.

Type of Request: Extension of approval of an 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 prohibit or restrict the importation and interstate movement of animals and animal products to prevent the introduction into and dissemination within the United States of animal diseases and pests. Regulations governing the importation of animals and animal products into the United States are contained in 9 CFR parts 92 through 98.

Regulations in parts 94 and 98 prohibit or restrict the importation of specified animals and animal products, including live swine, pork and pork products, and swine semen, into the United States to prevent the introduction into the U.S. livestock population of certain animal diseases, including classical swine fever (CSF).

Sections 94.24 and 98.38 contain regulations necessary to mitigate the risk of introducing CSF into the United States from a defined region of the

European Union ("the APHIS-defined EU CSF region") and require the use of information collection activities, including certificates issued by animal health authorities of the Member States of the APHIS-defined EU-CSF region stating that applicable provisions of the regulations to prevent the introduction of CSF into the United States via live swine, pork and pork products, and swine semen have been met.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities for an additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning this 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 hour per response.

Respondents: Animal health authorities of the APHIS-defined EU CSF region.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 86.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 9.5.

Estimated annual number of responses: 816.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 816 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 18th day of November 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-2008-0115]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; National Veterinary Accreditation Program; Correction

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: We are correcting errors in our notice to request an extension of approval of an information collection for the national veterinary accreditation program. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on November 5, 2008 (73 FR 65820-65821, Docket No. APHIS-2008-0115).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lynn Thomas, Management Analyst, Surveillance and Identification Programs, NCAHP, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 200, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734-5777.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On November 5, 2008, we published in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 65820-65821, Docket No. APHIS-2008-0115) a notice announcing the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection for the national veterinary accreditation program. In the notice on page 65820, under the **ADDRESSES** section, the Web site to submit comments and the APHIS docket number were incorrect. This document corrects those errors.

Correction

In FR Doc. E8-26385, published on November 5, 2008, on page 65820, first column, in the **ADDRESSES** section, make the following corrections:

1. Under Federal eRulemaking Portal, correct "<http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2007-0115>" to read "<http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2008-0115>".

2. Under Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery, correct "APHIS-2007-0115"