

stability for communities dependent on range resources.

Proposed Action

The Proposed Action was developed to provide grazing opportunities that meet multiple use objectives while reducing the impacts to important botanical and wildlife resource. One herd, a total of 494 cow/calf pairs per month, which includes the 75 cow/calf pair being grazed on private lands, would be authorized to graze from May 20 to October 15. Grazing would be allowed in some fenced riparian areas, additional acreage identified in the Jack Creek Sheep and Goat Allotment, and grazing of the private parcels along Jack Creek known as Upper Jamison, and Lower Jamison under a term private land grazing permit. This would facilitate coordinated management of Oregon spotted frog habitat across ownerships. The North Sheep Pasture would be added to the Antelope Grazing Allotment. The grazing system in the Chemult pasture would be a deferred rotation system made possible by allowing use of additional acreage in some of the existing fenced riparian areas and the North Sheep Pasture.

Possible Alternatives

In addition to the proposed action, the project interdisciplinary team will analyze the effects of:

No Action Alternative (Alternative 1): No livestock grazing would be authorized within the existing Allotments nor would coordinated management of grazing on private lands within the Antelope Allotments occur. Continuance or establishment of grazing on all private lands within the Antelope Allotments, including lands within Oregon spotted frog habitat, would be at stockings, rate, timings, and utilizations of the private landowners' choosing. Cattle would be removed from all allotments within two years.

Current Management Alternative (Alternative 2): Permits would be reauthorized as have been over the last three to five years; two herds at 419 cow/calf pair per month with permitted grazing from May 15 to September 30. The Antelope and Antelope Cattle & Horse Allotments would remain two separate administrative allotments and retain their existing boundaries. Approximately 3.6 miles of fence would be constructed to reinforce the Chemult Pasture boundary at the northeast corner.

Alternative 4: This alternative was developed to provide grazing opportunities while addressing concerns relating to the protection of important botanical and wildlife

resources in the Chemult RD. The Chemult portion of the allotments would be administratively closed to grazing, grazing would not expand into the North Sheep Pasture, and fencing would be constructed along active allotment boundaries. New enclosure/protection fences would be constructed around sensitive springs and fens on the Silver Lake side of the allotments. Grazing would be permitted for one herd at 419 cow/calf pair per month from May 20 to July 30 without using the Chemult RD portion of the allotments.

Alternative 5: This incorporates concepts that may result in better success in allotment management and livestock needs. A two herd grazing system on the Chemult District would be used with a deferred rotation pattern involving three of the pastures. Two of these pastures would have a one-year rest during the three-year cycle. The North Sheep Pasture would be added to the Antelope Grazing Allotment. The two-herd system would incorporate the 75 cow/calf pair currently grazed on the private lands withing Jack Creek as part of a term/private permit. Private inholdings along Jack Creek would be brought under allotment management through a term private permit to enable coordinated management of Oregon spotted frog habitat across ownerships. New enclosure/protection fences would be constructed around sensitive springs and fens. The Rock Springs area would not be included in the Tobin Cabin Allotment. The season of use in the Antelope 3 and 4 holding pastures would be extended to October 15 to facilitate movement of livestock off the Allotments at the end of the grazing season.

Responsible Official

The responsible official will be Forest Supervisor, Fremont-Winema National Forests, 1301 South G Street, Lakeview, OR 97630

Nature of Decision To Be Made

Given the purpose of and need for the proposal, the deciding official will review the proposed action, the other alternatives, and the environmental consequences to make the following decisions:

- Whether or not to authorize livestock grazing on the identified allotments and if so, the appropriate level and grazing system to use.
- If an action alternative is selected, that it is consistent with the Fremont and Winema Land and Resource Management Plans, as amended.

Preliminary Issues

Preliminary issues identified include:

- Grazing within meadows and riparian areas, including fens
- Grazing within occupied and potential habitat for Oregon spotted frog
- Proposed grazing strategies including animal unit months, rotations, and number of herds
- Overutilization, underutilization, and uneven distribution of utilization of forage that may be addressed by inclusion of acquired lands, fenced meadows, and adjacent unused grazing lands as part of the grazing strategy
- Proposed fencing strategies including construction, reconstruction, and fences to maintain or remove
- Expansion of the allotment boundaries, specifically at Cannon Well and the addition of the North Sheep Pasture.

Dated: October 28, 2014.

Constance Cummins,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice of Intent To Request Approval To Establish a New Information Collection

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and Agriculture, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's (NIFA) intent to establish a new information collection of Letters of Intent (LOIs).

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 5, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning this notice and requests for copies of the information collection may be submitted by any of the following methods to Robert Martin, Records Officer, Information Policy, Planning and Training Mail: NIFA/USDA; Mail Stop 2216; 1400 Independence Avenue SW.; Washington, DC 20250-2216; Hand Delivery/Courier: 800 9th Street SW., Waterfront Centre, Room 4206, Washington, DC 20024; or Email: rmartin@nifa.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Martin, Records Officer, Information Policy, Planning and

Training; Office of Information Technology; NIFA; USDANIFA, Email: rmartin@nifa.NIFA.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Letter of Intent.

OMB Number: 0524–New.

Type of Request: Intent to establish a new information collection for three years.

Abstract: NIFA sponsors ongoing agricultural research, extension, and education programs under which competitive, formula, and special awards of a high-priority nature are made. The nature of the competitive, peer-reviewed process makes it important that information from applicants be available in a standardized format to ensure equitable treatment. The LOI is used to ensure applicants adhere to program guidelines and goals and provides useful information for peer review panel planning. Applicants with relevant LOIs will be encouraged to submit a full application to the program while those that do not conform to program goals are discouraged to submit a full application. Many competitive programs currently require a LOI as a prerequisite for submission of an application. To reduce an applicant's administrative burden, NIFA may expand the use of LOIs for more of its competitive programs. Electronic submission via email in an attached PDF formatted document collects the following information:

Page 1:

- a. Name of lead Project Director (PD)
- b. Professional Title of lead PD
- c. Department of lead PD
- d. Institution of lead PD
- e. Email of lead PD
- f. Name of all collaborating PDs
- g. Professional Title of all collaborating PDs
- h. Department of all collaborating PDs
- i. Institution of all collaborating PDs
- j. Program Area
- k. Priority Area

Page 2:

- a. Descriptive Title
- b. Rationale
- c. Overall Hypothesis or Goal
- d. Specific Objectives
- e. Approach
- f. Potential Impact and Expected Outcomes

The information collection will collect the same information in a fillable PDF document provided by NIFA.

Respondents: Universities, non-profit institutions, State, local, or Tribal governments, and a limited number of for-profit institutions and individuals.

Estimation of Responses: The individual form burden is as follows (calculated based on a survey of LOI

applicants conducted by NIFA): 1–2 hours.

Frequency of Respondents: Annually, for those that submit LOIs to required programs.

Comments: 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 will 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments should be sent to the address stated in the preamble. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments also will become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, this 30th day of October 2014.

Sonny Ramaswamy,

Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar From Mexico: Antidumping Duty Order

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: Based on an affirmative final determination by the Department of Commerce (the Department) and the International Trade Commission (ITC), the Department is issuing an antidumping duty (AD) order on steel concrete reinforcing bar (rebar) from Mexico.

DATES: *Effective Date:* November 6, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Stephanie Moore or Joy Zhang, Office III, AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230;

telephone: (202) 482–3692 or (202) 482–1168.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.210(c), on September 15, 2014, the Department published its affirmative final determination of sales at less-than-fair-value (LTFV) in the antidumping duty investigation of rebar from Mexico.¹ On October 28, 2014, the ITC notified the Department of its final determination, pursuant to sections 735(b)(1)(A)(i) and section 735(d) of the Act, that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of LTFV imports of rebar from Mexico.² The ITC also determined that critical circumstances do not exist.³

Scope of the Order

The merchandise subject to this order is steel concrete reinforcing bar imported in either straight length or coil form (rebar) regardless of metallurgy, length, diameter, or grade. The subject merchandise is classifiable in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) primarily under item numbers 7213.10.0000, 7214.20.0000, and 7228.30.8010.

The subject merchandise may also enter under other HTSUS numbers including 7215.90.1000, 7215.90.5000, 7221.00.0015, 7221.00.0030, 7221.00.0045, 7222.11.0001, 7222.11.0057, 7222.11.0059, 7222.30.0001, 7227.20.0080, 7227.90.6085, 7228.20.1000, and 7228.60.6000. Specifically excluded are plain rounds (*i.e.*, non-deformed or smooth rebar). Also excluded from the scope is deformed steel wire meeting ASTM A1064/A1064M with no bar markings (*e.g.*, mill mark, size or grade) and without being subject to an elongation test. HTSUS numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes; however, the written description of the scope remains dispositive.

Antidumping Duty Order

As stated above, on October, 28, 2014, in accordance with section 745(d) of the Act, the ITC notified the Department of

¹ See *Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar From Mexico: Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Final Affirmative Determination of Critical Circumstances*, 79 FR 54967 (September 15, 2014) (*Final Determination*).

² See *Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar From Mexico and Turkey, Investigation Nos. 701–TA–502 and 731–TA–1227 (Final)*, USITC Publication 4496, (October 2014).

³ *Id.*