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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 and other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by November 2, 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](http://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.

### Forest Service

*Title:* Disposal of Mineral Materials.

*OMB Control Number:* 0596–0081.

*Summary of Collection:* The Forest Service (FS) is responsible for overseeing the management of National Forest System land. The Multiple-Use Mining Act of 1955 (30 U.S.C. 601, 603, 611–615) gives the FS specific authority to manage the disposal of mineral materials mined from National Forest land. FS uses form FS–2800–9, "Contract for the Sale of Mineral Materials" to collect detailed information on the planned mining and disposal operations as well as a contract for the sale of mineral materials.

*Need and Use of the Information:* The collected information enables the Forest Service to document planned operations, to prescribe the terms and conditions the agency deems necessary to protect surface resources, and to affect a binding contract agreement. Forest Service employees will evaluate the collected information to ensure that entities applying to mine mineral materials are financially accountable and will conduct their activities in accordance with the mineral regulations of title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, part 228, subpart C (36 CFR part 228).

If this information is not collected, the Forest Service would be unable to comply with Federal regulations to mine mineral materials, and operations could cause undue damage to surface resources.

*Description of Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 2,722.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: on occasion.

*Total Burden Hours:* 7,040.

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### Agricultural Marketing Service

*Title:* Origin of Livestock—Variance Request.

*OMB Control Number:* 0581–NEW.

*Summary of Collection:* The Organic Foods Production Act of 1990 (OFPA), as amended (7 U.S.C. 6501–6524), authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to establish the National Organic Program (NOP) and accredit certifying agents to certify that farms and businesses meet national organic standards. The purpose of OFPA is to: (1) establish national standards governing the marketing of certain agricultural products as organically produced products; (2) assure

consumers that organically produced products meet a consistent standard; and (3) facilitate interstate commerce in fresh and processed food that is organically produced (7 U.S.C. 6501).

On April 5, 2022, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) published the "Origin of Livestock" (OOL) final rule (87 FR 19740) related to livestock production practices under the USDA organic regulations (7 CFR part 205). AMS took this action to increase uniformity in organic dairy production practices and reduce organic certification discrepancies between certifying agents. The final rule clarified that certified organic dairy operations may transition nonorganic animals to organic production only once. After that, any animals added to a certified organic dairy operation must have been organically managed from the last third of gestation. To provide flexibility, the final rule allows [in 7 CFR 205.236(d)] small certified organic dairy operations to request a variance under limited conditions. A variance is a process by which an entity requests permission to not follow a particular regulatory requirement without repercussion of regulatory noncompliance. If the variance is approved by AMS, the small certified organic dairy operation may source, sell, liquidate, or transfer, as one event, organic dairy livestock that were transitioned to organic production (livestock that were not organically managed from no later than the last third of gestation).

**Need and Use of the Information:** AMS will be able to use other information submitted as part of the currently approved information collection package for the NOP (OMB #0581-0191) to determine if the applicants qualify as a small business [the first variance eligibility criterion at 7 CFR 205.236(d)(1)].

However, this new variance request specifies new information not currently collected by AMS. This new information is described in the USDA organic regulations in 7 CFR 205.236(d)(1)(i)-(iii) (see above). To apply for a variance, respondents (small certified organic dairy operations) will need to submit to AMS, through their certifying agent, records that demonstrate that they qualify for a variance due to bankruptcy proceedings, forced sales, insolvency, or an intergenerational transfer.

The new information collected will be used by AMS to grant (or deny) individual, small certified organic dairy operations a variance from the USDA organic regulations in regard to the origin of livestock.

**Description of Respondents:** Business or other for-profit; Farms.

**Number of Respondents:** 56.

**Frequency of Responses:** Reporting: Annually.

**Total Burden Hours:** 98.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Rural Housing Service

**[Docket No.: RHS-23-MFH-0021]**

#### **60-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Section 515 Multi-Family Housing Preservation and Revitalization Restructuring (MPR) Demonstration Program; OMB Control No.: 0575-0190**

**AGENCY:** Rural Housing Service (RHS), USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Housing Service (RHS) 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 December 4, 2023, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and, in the "Search Field" box, labeled "Search for dockets and documents on agency actions," enter the following docket number: (RHS-23-MFH-0021), and click "Search." To submit public comments, select the "Comment" button. Before inputting your comments, you may also review the "Commenter's Checklist" (optional). Insert your comments under the "Comment" title, click "Browse" to attach files (if applicable). Input your email address and select an identity category then click "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 through the site's "FAQ" link.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) regulation (5 CFR 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 an information collection that RHS is submitting to OMB for revision.

**Title:** Section 515 Multifamily Preservation and Revitalization (MPR) Demonstration Program.

**OMB Control Number:** 0575-0190.

**Expiration Date of Approval:** August 31, 2024.

**Type of Request:** Revision of a currently approved information collection.

**Estimate of Burden:** Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.57 hour per response.

**Respondents:** Individuals, partnerships, public and private non-profit corporations, agencies, institutions, organizations, and Indian tribes.

**Estimated Number of Respondents:** 150.

**Estimated Number of Responses:** 10,031

**Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:** 66.87.

**Estimated Annual Reporting Burden on Respondents:** 15,447 hours.

**Estimated Annual Recordkeeping Burden on Respondents:** 350 hours.

**Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:** 15,797 hours.

**Abstract:** The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 2006 (Pub. L. 109-97) provides funding for, and authorizes Rural Development (RD) to conduct a demonstration program for the preservation and revitalization of the Section 515 Multi-Family Housing portfolio. Section 515 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1485) provides Rural Development the authority to make loans for low-income Multi-Family Housing and related facilities.

The information contained in this collection will be used to determine applicant eligibility for this demonstration program. If an applicant proposal is selected, that applicant will be notified of the selection and will be