

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 14th day of January 2002.

**W. Ron DeHaven,**

*Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Commodity Credit Corporation

#### Request for Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) to request an extension of an approved information collection to support the Tobacco Importer Assessments. This extension does not involve any revisions to the program rules.

**DATES:** Submit comments about this notice on or before March 19, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Mail or hand-deliver public comments regarding this notice to Director, Tobacco and Peanuts Division, FSA, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 5750-S, STOP 0514, Washington, DC 20250-0514. Comments may be sent by facsimile to (202) 720-0549. Comments may be sent by e-mail to:

[tob\\_comments@wdc.fsa.usda.gov](mailto:tob_comments@wdc.fsa.usda.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ann Wortham, Tobacco and Peanuts Division, (202) 720-2715.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Importer Assessments.

*OMB Control Number:* 0560-0148.

*Expiration Date:* December 31, 2001.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection.

**Abstract:** The information collected under OMB Control Number 0560-0148 constitutes all of the information required by CCC to effectively administer the statutory provisions for assessments on imported tobacco. Information collected from importers of unmanufactured tobacco is necessary to determine the amounts of assessments due and that the assessments are paid in

a timely manner. The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, Public Law 103-66, amended sections 106, 106A, and 106B, of the Agricultural Act of 1949, to require the payment of importer no-net-cost (INNC) assessments on imported unmanufactured tobacco. INNC assessments apply only to burley and flue-cured tobacco. Information is collected on form CCC-100, Importer Enter and Assessment Worksheet. The data reported thereon includes the importer's name and address, the importer's number, and the tobacco's entry number, Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) number, as well as the quantity of tobacco, and amounts of assessments remitted.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated at 45 minutes per response.

*Respondents:* Importers of unmanufactured tobacco for consumption in the United States, who may be individuals, small businesses, or large tobacco leaf dealers and cigarette manufacturers.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 40.

*Estimated Number of Responses Per Respondent:* 18.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 540 hours.

*Request for Comment:* Comment on the above notice is sought. Topics for comment may include, but need not be limited to: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of CCC, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of CCC's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) enhancing the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) minimizing the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other forms of informational technology.

Comments should be sent the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503 and to Director, Tobacco and Peanuts Division, at the addresses listed above. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, on December 31, 2001.

**James R. Little,**

*Administrator, Farm Service Agency, and Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee; Meetings

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet twice during the month of February 2002. The first meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 6, 2002, at the Skagit County Hearing Room B, 700 South 2nd St., in Mt. Vernon, WA 98273. The second meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 21, 2002, at the Whatcom County Courthouse, Multipurpose Room, 311 Grand Ave., in Bellingham, WA 98225.

The February 6 meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue until about 3:30 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Background on the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, (2) Organization of the North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee, and (3) Future program of work for the North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee.

The February 21, 2002 meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. and continue until about 3:30 p.m. The topics to be covered at the meeting include the process for reviewing and recommending projects and beginning the review of project proposals for Title II funding provided by the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

All North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

The North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee advises Whatcom and Skagit Counties on projects, reviews project proposals, and makes recommendations to the Forest Supervisor for projects to be funded by Title II dollars. The North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee was established to carry out the requirements of the Secure Rural

Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Direct questions regarding this meeting to Jon Vanderheyden, Designated Federal Official, USDA Forest Service, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, 810 Stated Route 20, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284 (360-856-5700, Extension 201).

Dated: January 11, 2002.

**Jon Vanderheyden,**

*Designated Federal Official.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Siuslaw Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Siuslaw Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on February 7 and 8, 2002. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. in the Siuslaw Valley Fire & Rescue Station, 2625 Highway 101 N., Florence, OR. Draft agenda items include: Assigning Priorities to Title II Projects; and Public Forum. The meeting is expected to adjourn at 4 p.m. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Linda Stanley, Community Development Specialist, Siuslaw National Forest, 541/750-7210 or write to Forest Supervisor, Siuslaw National Forest, PO Box 1148, Corvallis, OR 97339.

Dated: January 11, 2002.

**Gloria D. Brown,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### Pellaphalia Creek Watershed, Leake County, MS

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of a Finding of No Significant Impact.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40

CFR part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Regulations (7 CFR part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is not being prepared for Pellaphalia Creek Watershed, Leake County, Mississippi.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Homer L. Wilkes, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Suite 1321, A.H. McCoy Federal Building, 100 West Capitol Street, Jackson, Mississippi 39269, Telephone: 601-965-5205.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The environmental assessment of this Federal assisted action indicates that the project will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Homer L. Wilkes, State Conservationist had determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement are not needed for this project.

The project concerns a watershed plan to reduce flood damage to the disadvantaged residents of a rural Leake County community in the Pellaphalia Creek Watershed. The planned works of improvement consists of installing one Class I Dike (levee) and elevating one residence above the 100-year elevation.

The Notice of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and to various Federal, State, and local agencies and interested parties. A limited number of copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data developed during the environmental assessment are on file and may be reviewed by contacting Homer L. Wilkes. No administrative action on implementation of the proposal will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904—Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)

Dated: January 11, 2002.

**Homer L. Wilkes,**

*State Conservationist.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Rural Business-Cooperative Service

#### Maximum Dollar Amount on Awards Under the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2002

**AGENCY:** Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Rural Business-Cooperative Service hereby announces the maximum dollar amount on loan and grant awards under the Rural Economic Development Loan and Grant (REDLG) program for fiscal year (FY) 2002. The maximum dollar award on zero-interest loans for FY 2002 is \$450,000. The maximum dollar award on grants for FY 2002 is \$200,000. The maximum loan and grant awards stated in this notice are effective for loans and grants made during the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2001, and ending September 30, 2002. REDLG loans and grants are available to Rural Utilities Service electric and telephone utilities to assist in developing rural areas from an economic standpoint.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Patricia Wing, Loan Specialist, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA, STOP 3225, Room 6870, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250. Telephone: (202) 720-9558. FAX: (202) 720-6561.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The maximum loan and grant awards are determined in accordance with 7 CFR 1703.28. The maximum loan and grant awards are calculated as 3.0 percent of the projected program levels, rounded to the nearest \$10,000; however, as specified in 7 CFR 1703.28(b), regardless of the projected total amount that will be available, the maximum size may not be lower than \$200,000. The projected program level during FY 2002 for zero-interest loans is \$14.966 million and the projected program level for grants is \$4 million. Applying the specified 3.0 percent to the program level for loans, rounded to the nearest \$10,000, results in the maximum loan award of \$450,000. Applying the specified 3.0 percent to the program level for grants results in an amount lower than \$200,000. Therefore, the maximum grant award for FY 2002 will be \$200,000.

Dated: December 7, 2001.

**John Rosso,**

*Acting Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.*

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