

States shall, prior to the shipment's arrival, submit a Notice of Arrival of Pesticides and Devices (EPA Form 3540-1) to EPA who will determine the disposition of the shipment. The form requires identification and address information of the importer or his agent and information on the identity and location of the imported pesticide or device shipment. After completing the form, EPA returns the form to the importer, or his agent, who must present the form to U.S. Customs and Border Protection upon arrival of the shipment at the port of entry. This is necessary to ensure that EPA is notified of the arrival of pesticides and devices as required by the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) section 17(c), so that EPA has the ability to examine such shipments to determine if they are in compliance with FIFRA.

When the form is submitted to EPA regional personnel for review, it is examined to determine whether the shipment should be released for entry upon arrival or whether it should be detained for examination. The responsible EPA official returns the form to the respondent with EPA instructions to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Service as to the disposition of the shipment.

Upon arrival of the shipment, the importer presents the completed Notice of Arrival form to the District Director of U.S. Customs and Border Protection at the port of entry. U.S. Customs and Border Protection compares the entry documents for the shipment with the Notice of Arrival form and notifies the EPA Regional Office of any discrepancies, which EPA will resolve with the importer or broker. At this point the shipment may be retained for examination. If there are no discrepancies, U.S. Customs and Border Protection follows instructions regarding release or detention. If EPA inspects the shipment and it appears from examination of a sample that it is adulterated, misbranded, or in any other manner violates the provisions of FIFRA, or is otherwise injurious to health or the environment, the pesticide or device may be refused admission into the United States.

This reporting requirement is needed to inform the Agency of pesticides arriving in the customs territory of the United States and to ensure compliance with FIFRA by the responsible party importing pesticides or devices. This reporting requirement is needed to meet direct statutory requirements of FIFRA regarding notification of EPA of such arrivals.

The information collected is used by EPA Regional pesticide enforcement

and compliance staff and the Headquarters Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance and Office of Pesticide Programs. The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (Customs and Border Protection), the Department of Agriculture, the Food and Drug Administration, and other Federal agencies may also make use of this information.

An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are listed in 40 CFR Part 9.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate 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;

(ii) Evaluate 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;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.3 hours per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Respondents/affected entities: 25,000.
Estimated number of respondents: 25,000.

Frequency of responses: 1.
Estimated total annual burden hours: 7,500.

There are no capital/startup costs or operating and maintenance costs

associated with this ICR since all equipment associated with the ICR is present as part of ordinary business practices.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing, and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the approval process, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Dated: December 1, 2008.

Richard Colbert,

Director, Agriculture Division, Office of Compliance, Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[EPA-R09-OAR-2008-0128; FRL-8749-2]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Survey of 56 California County Agricultural Commissioners for Readiness To Implement the Enforcement Component of the U.S. EPA Endangered Species Protection Program

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) (44

U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit a request for a new Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before February 9, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments, identified by docket number EPA-R09-OAR-2008-0128, by one of the following methods:

1. *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions.

2. *E-mail:* estrada.fabiola@epa.gov.

3. *Mail or deliver:* Fabiola Estrada (CED-5), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105-3901.

Instructions: All comments will be included in the public docket without change and may be made available online at <http://www.regulations.gov>, including any personal information provided, unless the comment includes Confidential Business Information (CBI) or other information whose disclosure is restricted by statute. Information that you consider CBI or otherwise protected should be clearly identified as such and should not be submitted through <http://www.regulations.gov> or e-mail. <http://www.regulations.gov> is an "anonymous access" system, and EPA will not know your identity or contact information unless you provide it in the body of your comment. If you send e-mail directly to EPA, your e-mail address will be automatically captured and included as part of the public comment. If EPA cannot read your comment due to technical difficulties and cannot contact you for clarification, EPA may not be able to consider your comment.

Docket: The index to the docket for this action is available electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov> and in hard copy at EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, California. While all documents in the docket are listed in the index, some information may be publicly available only at the hard copy location (e.g., copyrighted material), and some may not be publicly available in either location (e.g., CBI). To inspect the hard copy materials, please schedule an appointment during normal business hours with the contact listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Fabiola Estrada, EPA Region IX, (415) 972-3493, estrada.fabiola@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Throughout this document, "we," "us" and "our" refer to EPA.

What Information Is EPA Particularly Interested in?

Pursuant to section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA, EPA specifically solicits comments and information to enable it to:

- (i) Evaluate 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;
- (ii) Evaluate 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;
- (iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (iv) 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, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses. In particular, EPA is requesting comments from very small businesses (those that employ less than 25) on examples of specific additional efforts that EPA could make to reduce the paperwork burden for very small businesses affected by this collection.

What Should I Consider When I Prepare My Comments for EPA?

You may find the following suggestions helpful for preparing your comments:

1. Explain your views as clearly as possible and provide specific examples.
2. Describe any assumptions that you used.
3. Provide copies of any technical information and/or data you used that support your views.
4. If you estimate potential burden or costs, explain how you arrived at the estimate that you provide.
5. Offer alternative ways to improve the collection activity.
6. Make sure to submit your comments by the deadline identified under **DATES**.
7. To ensure proper receipt by EPA, be sure to identify the docket ID number assigned to this action in the subject line on the first page of your response. You may also provide the name, date, and **Federal Register** citation.

What Information Collection Activity or ICR Does This Apply to?

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are the County Agricultural Commissioners in the state of California.

Title: Survey of 56 California County Agricultural Commissioners for Readiness to Implement the Enforcement component of the U.S. EPA Endangered Species Protection Program.

ICR numbers: EPA ICR No. 2287.01, OMB Control No. 20XX-NEW.

ICR status: This ICR is for a new information collection activity. An Agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations in title 40 of the CFR, after appearing in the **Federal Register** when approved, are listed in 40 CFR part 9, are displayed either by publication in the **Federal Register** or by other appropriate means, such as on the related collection instrument or form, if applicable. The display of OMB control numbers in certain EPA regulations is consolidated in 40 CFR part 9.

Abstract: For nearly twenty years, the California Department of Pesticide Regulation (DPR) has worked with county agricultural commissioners on behalf of U.S. EPA to refine measures that would protect federally listed species while minimizing impacts on agriculture and other beneficial uses of pesticides. DPR vetted these measures in local advisory groups consisting of farmers, pest control advisors, pesticide applicators, representatives of the California Department of Fish and Game, California Department of Food and Agriculture, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and other species experts and they were ultimately adopted by the County Agricultural Commissioners and Sealers Association (CACASA). DPR developed the Pesticide Regulation's Endangered Species Custom Real-time Internet Bulletin Engine (PRESCRIBE), an Internet database, to simplify distribution of endangered species protection measures (California's county bulletins) and has trained county agricultural commissioner staff and pesticide professionals in its use. So far, these measures have been voluntary. While many counties have incorporated endangered species protection as a routine part of their regulatory programs, DPR does not know the full extent of implementation in all counties. All (56) California county agricultural commissioners will be surveyed through a written

questionnaire to determine their readiness to implement the U.S. EPA Endangered Species Protection Program as it transitions from voluntary to mandatory status. Responses are voluntary. The collected information will guide further work needed by DPR to prepare for the new stage in the protection of endangered species. A summary report will be provided to the respondents to inform them of the survey results.

Burden Statement: The annual public reporting and recordkeeping burden for this collection of information is estimated to average less than one hour per response. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements which have subsequently changed; train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

The ICR provides a detailed explanation of the Agency's estimate, which is only briefly summarized here:

Estimated total number of potential respondents: 56.

Frequency of response: Once.

Estimated total average number of responses for each respondent: 12—based on the # of questions on the questionnaire.

Estimated total annual burden hours: 56.

Estimated total annual costs: \$6,000 for collection of information and an estimated cost of \$3,000 for capital investment or maintenance and operational costs.

What is the Next Step in the Process for this ICR?

EPA will consider the comments received and amend the ICR as appropriate. The final ICR package will then be submitted to OMB for review and approval pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.12. At that time, EPA will issue another **Federal Register** notice pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.5(a)(1)(iv) to announce the submission of the ICR to OMB and the opportunity to submit additional comments to OMB. If you have any questions about this ICR or the

approval process, please contact the technical person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Dated: November 25, 2008.

Laura Yoshii,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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FEDERAL ACCOUNTING STANDARDS ADVISORY BOARD

Notice of Release of Exposure Draft, the Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for Federal Entities, Including the Application of Standards Issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board

Board Action: Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 3511(d), the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. No. 92-463), as amended, and the FASAB Rules of Procedure, as amended in April 2004, notice is hereby given that the Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board (FASAB) has released the Exposure Draft, *The Hierarchy of Generally Accepted Accounting Principles for Federal Entities, Including the Application of Standards Issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board*.

The Generally Accepted Accounting Principles Exposure Draft is available on the FASAB home page <http://www.fasab.gov/exposure.html>. Copies can be obtained by contacting FASAB at (202) 512-7350.

Respondents are encouraged to comment on any part of the exposure draft. Written comments are requested by February 2, 2009, and should be sent to: Wendy M. Payne, Executive Director, Federal Accounting Standards Advisory Board, 441 G Street, NW., Suite 6814, Mail Stop 6K17V, Washington, DC 20548.

Any interested person may attend the meetings as an observer. Board discussion and reviews are open to the public. GAO Building Security requires advance notice of your attendance. Please notify FASAB of your planned attendance by calling 202-512-7350 at least one day prior to the respective meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Wendy Payne, Executive Director, 441 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20548, or call (202) 512-7350.

Authority: Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463.

Dated: December 2, 2008.

Charles Jackson,

Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Change in Bank Control Notices; Acquisition of Shares of Bank or Bank Holding Companies

The notificants listed below have applied under the Change in Bank Control Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)) and § 225.41 of the Board's Regulation Y (12 CFR 225.41) to acquire a bank or bank holding company. The factors that are considered in acting on the notices are set forth in paragraph 7 of the Act (12 U.S.C. 1817(j)(7)).

The notices are available for immediate inspection at the Federal Reserve Bank indicated. The notices also will be available for inspection at the office of the Board of Governors. Interested persons may express their views in writing to the Reserve Bank indicated for that notice or to the offices of the Board of Governors. Comments must be received not later than December 24, 2008.

A. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (Jacqueline G. King, Community Affairs Officer) 90 Hennepin Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55480-0291:

1. *Kirk Sandquist*, individually, and acting in concert with Amy Uribe IRA, and Robert Uribe IRA, all of Deer Lodge, Montana, to acquire voting shares of Sandquist Corporation, and thereby indirectly acquire voting shares of Peoples Bank of Deer Lodge, both of Deer Lodge, Montana.

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, December 4, 2008.

Robert deV. Frierson,

Deputy Secretary of the Board.

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FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

Formations of, Acquisitions by, and Mergers of Bank Holding Companies; Correction

This notice corrects a notice (FR Doc. E8-28715) published on pages 73933 and 73934 of the issue for Thursday, December 4, 2008.

Under the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco heading, the entry for 1st Security Bancorp, Inc., Mountlake Terrace, Washington, is revised to read as follows: