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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2017-0027]

Notice of Request for Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Citrus Canker; Interstate Movement of Regulated Nursery Stock and Fruit From Quarantined Areas

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health
Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Revision to and 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 a revision to and extension of
approval of an information collection
associated with the regulations for the
interstate movement of regulated
nursery stock and fruit from
quarantined areas to prevent the spread
of citrus canker.

DATES: We will consider all comments
that we receive on or before June 20,
2017.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to
<http://www.regulations.gov/>
#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2017-0027.
- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:*

Send your comment to Docket No.
APHIS-2017-0027, Regulatory Analysis
and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station
3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118,
Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any
comments we receive on this docket
may be viewed at [http://
www.regulations.gov/](http://www.regulations.gov/)
#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2017-0027 or
in our reading room, which 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) 799-7039
before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For
information on the regulations for the

interstate movement of regulated
nursery stock and fruit from citrus
canker quarantined areas, contact Dr.
Robert Baca, Assistant Director,
Permitting and Compliance
Coordination, Compliance and
Environmental Coordination Branch,
PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 150,
Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851-2292.
For copies of more detailed information
on the information collection, contact
Ms. Kimberly Hardy, APHIS'
Information Collection Coordinator, at
(301) 851-2483.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Citrus Canker; Interstate
Movement of Regulated Nursery Stock
and Fruit From Quarantined Areas.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0317.

Type of Request: Revision to and
extension of approval of an information
collection.

Abstract: The Plant Protection Act
(PPA, 7 U.S.C. 7701 *et seq.*) authorizes
the Secretary of Agriculture, either
independently or in cooperation with
States, to carry out operations or
measures to detect, eradicate, suppress,
control, prevent, or retard the spread of
plant pests, such as citrus canker, that
are new to or not widely distributed
within the United States.

Citrus canker is a plant disease that
affects plant and plant parts, including
fresh fruit of citrus and citrus relatives
(family *Rutaceae*). Citrus canker can
cause defoliation and other serious
damage to the leaves and twigs of
susceptible plants. It can also cause
lesions on the fruit of infected plants
and cause infected fruit to drop from
trees before reaching maturity. The
aggressive A (Asiatic) strain of citrus
canker can infect susceptible plants
rapidly and lead to extensive economic
losses in commercial citrus-producing
areas.

The Animal and Plant Health
Inspection Service regulations to
prevent the interstate spread of citrus
canker are contained in "Subpart—
Citrus Canker" (7 CFR 301.75-1 through
301.75-17). The regulations restrict the
interstate movement of regulated
articles from and through areas
quarantined because of citrus canker
and provide, among other things,
conditions under which regulated
nursery stock and fruit may be moved
interstate. The interstate movement of
regulated nursery stock and fruit from
quarantined areas involves information
collection activities, including
compliance agreements, package
marking, certificates, and limited
permits.

We are asking the Office of
Management and Budget (OMB) to

approve our use of these information
collection activities, as described, for an
additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit
comments from the public (as well as
affected agencies) concerning our
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 collection
of information, 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
collection of information 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 0.19
hours per response.

Respondents: Citrus growers and
packinghouses.

*Estimated annual number of
respondents:* 400.

*Estimated annual number of
responses per respondent:* 36.

*Estimated annual number of
responses:* 14,402.

*Estimated total annual burden on
respondents:* 2,742 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 17th day of
April 2017.

Michael C. Gregoire,

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

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