

Comments must be sent to the Docket Clerk, Marketing Order Administration Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 0237, Washington, DC 20250-0237; Fax: (202) 720-8938, or E-mail: moab.docketclerk@usda.gov. All comments should reference the docket number and the date and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register** and will be made available for public inspection in the Office of the Docket Clerk during regular business hours, or may be viewed at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/moab.html>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kurt J. Kimmel, Regional Manager, California Marketing Field Office, Marketing Order Administration Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS, USDA, 2202 Monterey Street, suite 102B, Fresno, CA 93721; telephone: (559) 487-5901; Fax: (559) 487-5906; E-mail: Kurt.Kimmel@usda.gov; or George Kelhart, Marketing Order Administration Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 0237, Washington, DC 20250-0237; (202) 720-8938, or E-mail: George.Kelhart@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Marketing Orders No. 916 and 917, as amended (7 CFR parts 916 and 917), regulate the handling of nectarines, pears, and peaches grown in California. The marketing orders are effective under the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (AMAA), as amended (7 U.S.C. 601-674). The pear provisions and regulations have been suspended since 1994.

AMS initially published in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 8014; February 18, 1999), its plan to review certain regulations, including Marketing Orders No. 916 and 917, under criteria contained in section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA; 5 U.S.C. 601-612). An updated plan was published in the **Federal Register** on January 4, 2002 (67 FR 525). Because many AMS regulations impact small entities, AMS has decided, as a matter of policy, to review certain regulations which, although they may not meet the threshold requirement under section 610 of the RFA, warrant review.

The purpose of the review will be to determine whether the marketing orders for nectarines and peaches grown in California should be continued without change, amended, or rescinded (consistent with the objectives of the AMAA) to minimize the impacts on small entities. For pears, the purpose of the review will be to determine whether the marketing order for pears should be

reactivated without change, amended, or rescinded. In conducting this review, AMS will consider the following factors: (1) The continued need for the marketing orders; (2) the nature of complaints or comments received from the public concerning the marketing orders; (3) the complexity of the marketing orders; (4) the extent to which the marketing orders overlap, duplicate, or conflict with other Federal rules, and, to the extent feasible, with State and local governmental rules; and (5) the length of time since the marketing orders have been evaluated or the degree to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed in the area affected by the marketing orders.

An official of USDA will preside over the meeting. Those wishing to make oral comments will be asked to register with the official at the meeting. A time limitation of ten minutes for each commenter may be imposed. Questions to participants from the audience will not be permitted.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 601-674.

Dated: April 15, 2003.

A.J. Yates,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Food Distribution Programs and Associated Forms

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is publishing for public comment a summary of a proposed information collection for reporting and recordkeeping burdens associated with the Food Distribution Programs and their associated forms. The proposed collection is an extension of collections currently approved under OMB No. 0584-0293.

DATES: Written and faxed comments must be received on or before June 20, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed or faxed to Rosalind Cleveland, Chief, Program Support Branch, Food Distribution Division, Food and

Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302. The fax number is 703-305-1410. Comments may also be e-mailed to: fdd-pst@fns.usda.gov.

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 shall 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 use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All written comments will be open for public inspection at the office of the Food and Nutrition Service during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday) at 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, Virginia 22302, Room 508.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will be a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rosalind Cleveland at 703-305-2888.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Title: Food Distribution Programs.

OMB Number: 0584-0293.

Forms Information: See chart below.

Expiration Date: June 30, 2003.

Type of Request: Revision of Currently Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: Food and Nutrition Service regulations under 7 CFR 240 require recordkeeping for Cash in Lieu of Donated Foods; under 7 CFR 247 require reporting (Form FNS-153) and recordkeeping for the Commodity Supplemental Food Program; under 7 CFR 250 require reporting (Forms FNS-7, FNS-57, FNS-663, FNS-155, FNS-52, FNS-53, FNS-519A—Discontinued, FNS-519B—Discontinued, FNS-586A—Discontinued, FNS-586B—Discontinued) for Food Distribution Programs; under 7 CFR 251 require reporting (Form FNS-667) and recordkeeping for the Emergency Food Assistance Program; under 7 CFR 253/254 require reporting (Forms FNS-152, FNS-57) and recordkeeping for the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations. See the following chart for a listing of forms and burden hours.

Respondents: 7 CFR Section 240: School Food Authorities, State

Agencies; 7 CFR Section 247: Local Agencies, State Agencies; 7 CFR Section 250: School Food Authorities, State Agencies, Food Processing Industry; 7 CFR Section 251: Local Agencies, State

Agencies; 7 CFR Section 252: Local Agencies, ITOs.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 396,893 (See chart).
Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.3 (See chart).

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 918,862 (See chart).
Estimated Time per Response: 1.25607 hours (See chart).
Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1,154,152 (See chart).

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Section of regulations	Aggregate totals by regulation	Respondents	Annual responses	Total Manhours
240	Recordkeeping	15,662	187,944	46,986
247	Reporting—no forms	1,675	685,660	349,300
247	Reporting—forms	20	240	1,512
247	Recordkeeping	140	1,680	84
250	Reporting—no forms	16,360	18,131	12,219
250	Reporting—forms	5,245	18,804	37,606
250	Recordkeeping	234,016		18,908
251	251 Reporting—forms	270	564	2,254
251	Recordkeeping	3,482		672,439
252	Recordkeeping			
253&254	253&254	4,597	4,524	2,323
253&254		247	1,314	2,948
253&254		86,809		7,573
	Grand Total	396,893	918,862	1,154,152
	Est. Number of Responses per Respondent	2.3		
	Burden Hours per Response	1.25607		

Changes:

7 CFR Part 250—Changes in the Older American Act Amendments of 2000 eliminating the need to report the number of meals served in the program during the current year. The meal count report forms, FNS-586A and FNS-586B, were discontinued	- 1,415
7 CFR Part 250—Requirement to report TEFAP participation data on the FNS-155 has been discontinued	- 28
7 CFR Part 251—Reduction in the number of State review reports submitted to EFAs by lowering the number of reviews required and the number of reports of findings to EFAs	- 672
7 CFR Part 251—Incorporate activities from ICB #0584-0385, TEFAP Admin Costs and Form FNS-667, into comprehensive FDD package.	+963
7 CFR Part 252—The National Commodity Processing (NCP) program was discontinued in FY1995, although authorized through 2002. The reporting burden was eliminated with the last ICB renewal. Now that the 3 year recordkeeping requirement has passed, the burden hours under this part will be eliminated	- 2,306
7 CFR Part 253/254—Requires documentation of child support and Medicare Part B payments during FDPIR certification process.	+79
7 CFR Part 253/254—Prime Vendor Pilot—testing ways to streamline commodity ordering and delivery to ITOs participating in FDPIR	+23
Total	- 3,356

Dated: April 14, 2003.

Roberto Salazar,
 Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

**Agency Information Collection
 Activities: Proposed Collection;
 Comment Request—Federal Claims
 Collection Methods for Food Stamp
 Program Recipient Claims**

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this Notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on proposed information collections. This Notice of Proposed Information Collection announces the intent of the Food and Nutrition Service to revise and extend the information collection requirements associated with initiating and conducting Federal collection actions against households with delinquent food stamp recipient debts. **DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before June 20, 2003 to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to Barbara Hallman, Chief, State Administration Branch, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 820, Alexandria, Virginia, 22302.

Pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507), 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