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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: National Veterinary Accreditation Program Application Form.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0297.

Summary of Collection: The Animal Health Protection Act, (APHA) of 2002 is the primary Federal law governing the protection of animal health. The APHA is contained in 7 U.S.C. 8301, *et. seq.*, and were created the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002. The law gives the Secretary of Agriculture broad authority to detect, control, or eradicate pests or diseases of livestock or poultry. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is the agency charged with carrying out this disease prevention mission. For APHIS to conduct all its disease prevention tasks, it utilizes APHIS-certified private veterinarians to work cooperatively with Federal and State animal health authorities on the Agency's behalf. These veterinarians obtain their certification through the APHIS National Veterinary Accreditation Program (NVAP) which has an application and renewal process.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will use VS form 1–36A, National Veterinary Accreditation Program Application Form to collect information to certify private veterinarians to work Federal and State animal health authorities to prevent disease and carry out disease surveillance on USDA's behalf. Applicants may appeal denial, revocation, or suspension of accredited status. The written appeal is prepared in letter format and signed by the denied veterinarian. If information from accredited veterinarians was collected less frequently or not collected, APHIS would lose access to professional and demographic data for more than 100,000 cooperators, and APHIS coverage of veterinary, plant, and agricultural activities would be proportionately reduced.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Responses: 23,800.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 11,901.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Phytophthora Ramorum; Quarantine and Regulations.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0310.

Summary of Collection: Under the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701 *et seq.*), the Secretary of Agriculture, either independently or in cooperation with the States, is authorized to carry out operations or measures to detect, eradicate, suppress, control, prevent, or retard the spread of plant pest new to the United States or not widely distributed throughout the United States. Under "Subpart X—Phytophthora Ramorum" (7 CFR 301.92 through 301.92–12, referred to as the regulation), USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) restricts the interstate movement of certain regulated and restricted articles from quarantined areas and regulated establishments to prevent the artificial spread of Phytophthora ramorum, the pathogen that causes the plant disease commonly known as sudden oak death, ramorum leaf blight, and ramorum dieback.

Need and Use of the Information: To control the spread of P. ramorum, APHIS enters into a compliance agreement with State plant health agencies and businesses, conducts inspections of facilities and records, and requires plant testing. It also issues emergency action notifications. Without these activities, P. ramorum would potentially spread to unaffected forests, adversely impacting the ecosystem balances, foreign/domestic nursery stocks, and lumber markets.

Description of Respondents: State plant health officials; Business or other for-profit.

Number of Responses: 43.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Recordkeeping: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 224.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 23, 2020.

The Department of Agriculture will submit the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. Comments are requested regarding: (1) 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) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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 or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received by October 28, 2020. 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. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

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National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)

Title: Agricultural Resource Management and Chemical Use Surveys—Substantive Change.

OMB Control Number: 0535–0218.

Summary of Collection: General authority for these data collection activities is granted under U.S. Code Title 7, Section 2204 which specifies that "The Secretary of Agriculture shall procure and preserve all information concerning agriculture which he can obtain . . . by the collection of statistics . . .". The primary objective of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) is to provide data users with timely and reliable agricultural production and economic statistics, as well as environmental and specialty agricultural related statistics. To accomplish this objective, NASS relies on the use of diverse surveys that show changes within the farming industry over time.

Using the Agricultural Resource Management Survey (ARMS) and the Vegetable Chemical Use Survey, NASS collects environmental data, which

includes cropping practices, fertilizer applications, pesticide usage for weeds, insects, fungus, mold, etc., and the use of various pest management practices. Through cooperative agreements with the Economic Research Service and the Office of Pest Management Policy NASS collects additional data to aid in their research. Additional questions were added to the ARMS III questionnaires to measure the impact the COVID-19 pandemic has had on the farming industry in 2020. Complete listings of the questions added, deleted or changed on each questionnaire version are attached to this submission.

The COVID-19 pandemic has altered the modes of data collection. In previous years, NASS has relied primarily on data collection by personal interviews for the ARMS and Chemical Use Surveys. With social distancing, NASS will incorporate a computer assisted web interview (CAWI) along with a computer assisted telephone interview (CATI). Operators will also be able to complete the questionnaire by mail if they choose to. With these changes to data collection modes NASS will postpone the ARMS II and III rice versions until 2021. The remaining versions will be conducted in 2020.

The overall annual, average sample size for the ARMS and Chemical Use program will remain at 131,610. The burden minutes for the ARMS III questionnaires were increased to account for the additional questions added to each version in the previous submission. No additional burden is being added for the changes included in this submission.

A detailed listing of the questions that have been updated are attached to this submission. The delaying of the ARMS II and ARMS III rice surveys until 2021 results in a decrease in respondent burden for 2020 but an increase in 2021 resulting in no changes to the annual average burden under this three year approval.

Need and Use of the Information: The Office of Pest Management Policy (OPMP), the Economic Research Service (ERS), universities, and numerous other State and Federal Agencies will be able to better address changes in the farming practices and chemicals used on these crops that have occurred since the original approval of this docket.

Description of Respondents: Farms.

Number of Respondents: 131,610.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Once.

Total Burden Hours: 104,934.

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Comments regarding this information collection received by October 28, 2020 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. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function.

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National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Title: Children, Youth, and Families at Risk (CYFAR) Year End Report.

OMB Control Number: 0524-0043.

Summary of Collection: Funding for the Children, Youth, and Families at Risk (CYFAR) is authorized under section 3(d) of the Smith-Lever Act (7 U.S.C. 341 *et seq.*), as amended and other relevant authorizing legislation, which provides jurisdictional basis for the establishment and operation of extension educational work for the benefit of youth and families in communities. The CYFAR funding program supports community-based programs serving children, youth, and families in at risk environments. CYFAR funds are intended to support the development of high quality, effective programs based on research and to document the impact of these programs on intended audiences which are children, youth, and families in at-risk environments.

Need and Use of the Information: The purpose of the CYFAR Year End Report is to collect the demographic and impact data from each community site in order to evaluate the impact of the programs on intended audiences. Data from the CYFAR annual reports helps National Program Leaders at the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) to refine and improve program focus and effectiveness in the delivery of these funds. The CYFAR data is also used to respond to requests for impact information from Congress, the White House, and other Federal agencies. Without the information NIFA would not be able to verify if CYFAR programs are reaching at risk, low-income audiences.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 51.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 16,422.

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