

Grade, "High Moisture." Contrasting Chickpeas over 2.0 percent will no longer be considered U.S. Substandard Chickpea/Garbanzo Beans, but instead would grade no higher than U.S. No. 3 Chickpea/Garbanzo Beans. AMS would revise the Bean Inspection Handbook to reflect these changes.

AMS is accepting comments on this proposed action for 60 days. All comments received within the comment period will be made part of the public record maintained by AMS, will be available to the public for review, and will be considered by AMS before a final action is taken on this proposal.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1621–1627.

Melissa Bailey,

Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Doc. No. AMS–FGIS–21–0017]

United States Standards for Wheat

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is making no changes regarding the U.S. Standards for Wheat under the U.S. Grain Standards Act, as amended (USGSA).

DATES: Applicable: October 12, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 4 of the USGSA (7 U.S.C. 76(a)) grants the Secretary of Agriculture the authority to establish standards for grain regarding kind, class, quality, and condition. AMS published a request for information on April 20, 2021, in the *Federal Register* (86 FR 20480), inviting interested parties to comment on whether the current wheat standards and grading practices need to be changed. Current U.S. Standards for Wheat can be found at 7 CFR 810.2201–5.

AMS received a total of five comments on the U.S. Standards for Wheat during the comment period.

Four commenters, representing grain merchandisers, exporters, and traders, responded that they are satisfied with the standards as currently written, stating that changes may create confusion and uncertainty for the

market and should only be made if they significantly improve the marketing of U.S. wheat. Three of these commenters further stated a desire for further research into the marketing of Hard White Wheat (HDWH), either by differentiating between winter and spring varieties, merging HDWH with the class Hard Red Winter Wheat (HRW) to create a Hard Winter Wheat class, or increasing the allowable amount of HDWH in HRW.

One commenter, representing a wheat growing group, suggested changing the standards, either by merging HDWH and HRW to create a Hard Winter Wheat class or by increasing the allowable Wheat of Other Classes in HRW to 25%. The commenter mentioned that such a standards change could help remove barriers to growers hoping to market HDWH for export markets.

Based on the balance of comments received in response to the request, AMS has decided to make no changes to the wheat standards at this time. However, AMS will collaborate with the wheat industry to consider any data and research from interested stakeholders regarding the possibilities, impacts, and potential market acceptance of either merging HDWH and HRW to create a Hard Winter Wheat class, or increasing the allowable Wheat of Other Classes in HRW to 25%.

Final Action

Based on the comments received, AMS–FGIS is making no changes to the U.S. Standards for Wheat at this time.

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Melissa Bailey,

Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection

Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Understanding the Relationship Between Poverty, Well-Being and Food Security

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), 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 this proposed information collection. This new collection will provide the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food

and Nutrition Service with new information about food security and individual and family circumstances and environmental factors related to poverty in six persistently poor counties.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before December 12, 2022.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed to Michael Burke, Senior Social Science Research Analyst, Food and Nutrition Service, Braddock Metro Center II, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, VA 22314. Comments may also be submitted via email to michael.burke@usda.gov. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

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 5:00 p.m.), Monday through Friday at Braddock Metro Center II, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, VA 22314.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of this information collected should be directed to Michael Burke by email at michael.burke@usda.gov or by phone at (703) 305–4369.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are invited on the following topics: (1) 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; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden on the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions that were used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (4) 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.

Title: Understanding the Relationship Between Poverty, Well-Being, and Food Security.

Form Number: Not applicable.

OMB Number: 0584–NEW.

Expiration Date: Not yet determined.

Type of Request: New collection.