

Food and Consumer Service

Information Collection Requirements Submitted for Public Comment and Recommendation

AGENCY: Food and Consumer Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Food and Consumer Service (FCS) is publishing for public comment a summary of a proposed information collection regarding Form FCS-583, Employment and Training (E&T) Program Report (OMB 0584-0339). Comments will be included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval and will become a matter of public record.

DATES: Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection must be received by March 26, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Send comments and requests for copies of the form and instructions to the Work Program Section, Program Design Branch, Program Development Division, Food and Consumer Service, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 716, Alexandria, VA 22302. 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 techniques or other forms of information technology.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Work Program Section, FCS, at (703) 305-2762.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Type of Information Collection Request:* Extension of an information collection currently approved by OMB that will expire on January 31, 1996. The agency wishes to extend the approval past the current expiration date without making any material change in the collection instrument, instructions, or frequency of collection. Readers should be aware that changes that would impact this

reporting burden are being discussed as part of the welfare reform debate currently underway. Should any of the proposed legislative changes pass soon, it is expected that the reporting burden associated with the Food Stamp Employment and Training Program will change. Unfortunately, it is not known what the changes will be or when they may be effective. The agency would prefer to wait for the legislative changes to be decided before it takes action on the extension of the current reporting burden. However, the current burden will expire too soon for that to happen. Therefore, the agency is proceeding with the activity necessary to extend the current reporting burden, but cautions readers that changes are likely in the near future.

Title of Information Collection: E&T Program Report. *Form Number:* FCS-583. *Use:* Title 7 CFR 273.7(c)(6) requires State agencies to submit quarterly E&T Program reports containing monthly figures for participation in the program. The FCS-583 report includes the number of participants newly work registered; work registrants exempted from the E&T Program; participants who volunteered and began an approved E&T component; E&T mandatory participants who began an approved E&T component; work registrants sent a Notice of Adverse Action for failure to comply with E&T Program requirements; and the number of applicants denied food stamp certification or recertification for failure to comply with an E&T Program component. The first quarterly report includes the number of work registered persons in a state as of October of the new fiscal year. The final quarterly report contains the number of work registrants exempted as part of a category of persons during the course of the year separated by the specific reasons for the exemptions; and the number of participants (E&T Program mandatory and volunteers) placed in each E&T component offered by the State agency. This collection of information is used by FCS to determine whether States have met their mandated performance standards. *Frequency:* The FCS-583 report must be completed and submitted to FCS on a quarterly basis by the 45th day following the end of the quarter. *Affected Public:* State and local government. *Number of Respondents:* 3,520,853. *Total Annual Burden Hours:* 258,416.

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Administrator, Food and Consumer Service.
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Forest Service

Trails Management Plan—Santa Lucia Ranger District; Los Padres National Forest, San Luis Obispo County, CA

ACTION: Notice of intent to withdraw an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: A Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register on May 17, 1990 (Vol. 55, No. 96, pages 20486 and 20487) indicating that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) would be prepared to develop a Trails Management Plan for the San Luis Obispo County portion of the Los Padres National Forest. That notice of Intent is hereby withdrawn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions regarding this notice of withdrawal may be directed to Manuel Madrigal, ID Team Leader, Santa Lucia Ranger District, 1616 North Carlotti Drive, Santa Maria, CA 93454, (805) 925-9538.

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Supplement to the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area, Mt. Hood National Forest, Hood River County, Oregon

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to supplement a final environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The USDA, Forest Service, will prepare a supplement to the final environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area on the Hood River Ranger District of the Mt. Hood National Forest. The final EIS and Record of Decision (ROD) for the Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Area were released in May 1991. The ROD was reversed by the Regional Forester in November 1991, based on inadequate cultural analysis. In May 1995, Mt. Hood Meadows Ski Resort submitted a revised application for a new Master Plan. The revised application proposes to expand the existing day use ski area to a full season ski/recreation area with increased capacity and permit area. It also withdraws their previous proposal to establish the ski area as a year-round destination resort with overnight housing. The alternatives will be revised based on the new proposed action and additional analysis that is conducted. The environmental analysis will be documented as a supplement to the existing analysis. The decision on a new master plan will be a conceptual decision that amends the Mt. Hood