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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 4, 1996.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, DC 20503 and to Department Clearance Officer, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7630. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-6204 or (202) 720-6746.

- Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: Sweet Onions Grown in the Walla Walla Valley of Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon, Marketing Order No. 956.

Summary: The market order sets provisions regulating the handling of Walla Walla sweet onions. Handlers provide information on shipments of onions.

Need and Use of the Information: The purpose is to provide orderly marketing conditions in interstate commerce and to improve returns to growers. The information provides a mechanism to collect assessments.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Farms.

Number of Respondents: 82.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 25.

- Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: Oranges and Grapefruits Grown in the Lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas, Marketing No. 906.

Summary: The market order sets provisions regulating the handling of oranges and grapefruits grown in the lower Rio Grande Valley in Texas. Information is collected on production, handling and disposition of the crop.

Need and Use of the Information: The information is used to develop a marketing policy each year, to recommend seasonal quality regulations, to determine handler compliance, and to prepare annual reports.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Farms.

Number of Respondents: 428.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Weekly; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 345.

Emergency Processing of This Submission Has Been Requested by October 11, 1996.

- National Agricultural Statistics Service

Title: Agricultural Resources Management Study and Chemical Use Survey.

Summary: Information is collected on farm production expenditures for selected crop and livestock commodities as well as chemical use.

Need and Use of the Information: The information will be used to: assess the economic implications of various programs and policies as they relate to water quality/food safety and the impact on agricultural procedures and consumers; and to provide data to compute Parity Prices which are based on the Index of Prices Paid by Farmers and Index of Prices Received by Farmers.

Description of Respondents: Farms.

Number of Respondents: 76,462.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 32,764.

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Forest Service

Revised Forest Legacy Program Guidelines

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (CFAA) authorizes a Forest Legacy Program, the purpose of which is to identify and protect environmentally important private forest lands that may be threatened by conversion to non-forest uses. The Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 amended the CFAA to provide for optional grants for States to carry out the program. The States may request a grant to conduct acquisition procedures and purchase lands and interests in lands in Forest Legacy Areas. Title may vest in the State or a unit of State or local government. Other procedures for the Forest Legacy Program essentially remain the same as described in the Forest Legacy Program Guidelines dated June 4, 1992. The Forest Service hereby gives notice of the availability of revised guidelines for implementing the revisions to the Forest Legacy Program in fiscal year 1996 and beyond.

DATES: The guidelines apply to the remainder of fiscal year 1996 as well as to fiscal year 1997 and subsequent programs.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the revised guidelines for implementing the Forest Legacy Program are available by contacting the Director, Cooperative Forestry Staff, Forest Service, USDA, P.O. Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090-6090; via FAX at (202) 205-1271; via INTERNET at /s=cf/oul=w01c@mhs-fswa.attmail.com, or by calling (202) 205-1190.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information contact Ted Beauvais, Cooperative Forestry, (202) 205-1190 or by writing, faxing, or sending an E-Mail message to the addresses listed in the preceding section.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act was amended by Section 1217 of Title XII of the Food, Agriculture, Conservation and Trade Act of 1990 (16 U.S.C. 2101 et seq.) and the Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 7201) to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to provide a Federal grant