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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Food and Nutrition Service

#### Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Information Collection Associated With the Special Milk Program for Children

**AGENCY:** Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Food and Nutrition Service announces its intention to request the Office of Management and Budget's review and extension of the information collections related to the Special Milk Program for Children.

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received by January 4, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** *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 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 and requests for copies of this information collection may be sent to Mr. Terry Hallberg, Chief, Program Analysis and Monitoring Branch, Child Nutrition Division, FNS, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1008, Alexandria, Virginia 22302.

All responses to this Notice will be summarized and included in the request

for OMB approval, and will become a matter of public record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Terry Hallberg, Child Nutrition Programs, at (703) 305-2590.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**  
*Title:* Special Milk Program for Children.

*OMB Number:* 0584-0005.

*Expiration Date:* 12/31/98.

*Type of Request:* Reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection for which approval has expired.

*Abstract:* Section 3 of the Child Nutrition Act (CNA) of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-642, as amended; 42 U.S.C. 1772) authorizes the Special Milk Program (SMP). It provides for the appropriation of such sums as may be necessary to enable the Secretary of Agriculture, under such rules and regulations as he may deem in the public interest, to encourage the consumption of fluid milk by children in the United States in (1) nonprofit schools of high school grade and under, and (2) nonprofit nursery schools, child care centers, settlement houses, summer camps, and similar nonprofit institutions devoted to the care and training of children, which do not participate in a food service program authorized under the CNA or the National School Lunch Act. Section 10 of the CNA requires the Secretary of Agriculture to "prescribe such regulations as (he) may deem necessary to carry out this Act and the National School Lunch Act. . . ." Pursuant to that provision, the Secretary has issued 7 CFR part 215, which sets forth policies and procedures for the administration and operation of the SMP.

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 1772.

*Estimate of Burden:* The reporting burden for this collection of information is 224,625 burden hours. The recordkeeping is estimated at 605,559 burden hours. The increase in recordkeeping burden hours is due to an increase in the number of school food authorities, schools, child care institutions, and camps participating in SMP.

*Respondents:* The respondents are State agencies, school food authorities, schools, child care institutions, and camps.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 54 State agencies, 6,342 school food authorities, 7,964 schools, 518 child care institutions, and 1,492 camps.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 45.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 830,184 hours.

Dated: October 26, 1998.

**Samuel Chambers, Jr.,**  
*Acting Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

#### Notice of Intent To Request a Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR Part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS) intention to request a revision to a currently approved information collection, Volunteer Program—Earth Team.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by January 4, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:** Contact Marcella Graham, Agency OMB Clearance Officer, Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, P.O. Box 2890, Washington, D.C. 20013-2890, (202) 720-5699.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Volunteer Program—Earth Team.

*OMB Number:* 0578-0024.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* December 31, 1998.

*Type of Request:* To continue, with change, a currently approved collection for which approval will expire.

*Abstract:* The primary objective of the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is to work in partnership with American people to conserve and sustain our natural resources. The