

Protection Agency and to various federal, state, and local agencies and interested parties. A limited number of copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data developed during the environmental evaluation are on file and may be reviewed by contacting David Heilig.

No administrative action on implementation of the proposal will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the **Federal Register**.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904—Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention—and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires entrgovernmental consultation with state and local officials.)

Dated: January 3, 2000.

Shirley Gammon,

State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments requested.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Housing Service's (RHS) intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of the regulation for Account Servicing Policies.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by March 20, 2000, to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet Stouder, Senior Loan Officer, Multi-Family Housing Portfolio Management Division, Rural Housing Service, USDA, STOP 0782, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20250–0782; Telephone (202) 720–9728.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Account Servicing Policies.

OMB Number: 0575–0075.

Expiration Date of Approval: February 29, 2000.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: The Rural Housing Service provides supervised credit in the form

of Single Family Housing, Multi-Family Housing, and Community Facility loans and grants. 7 CFR part 1951, subpart A sets forth the policies and procedures, including the collection and use of information, regarding the application of payments on loans made under the programs administered by the agencies and the return of paid-in-full and satisfied promissory notes.

The programs are administered under the provisions of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (CONACT), as amended. Section 339(a) of the CONACT authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to make the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the programs authorized within the Act.

Information collection is submitted by Agency borrowers to the local Agency office servicing the county in which their operation is located and is used by agency servicing officials.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .25 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households and businesses and other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 110.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 28 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tracy Gillin, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, at (202) 692–0039.

Comments: 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. Comments may be sent to Tracy Gillin, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20250. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request

for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 10, 2000.

Eileen M. Fitzgerald,

Acting Administrator Rural Housing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Census 2000 Evaluation of Non-English Speaking Respondents

ACTION: Proposed collection; Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(C)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 20, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5027, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at LEngelme@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Erin Whitworth, U.S. Census Bureau, SFC–2, Rm. 2228, Washington, DC, 20233–0001, 301–457–8024, Erin.M.Whitworth@ccmail.census.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Abstract

The Census Bureau must provide everyone living or staying in the United States on Census Day the opportunity to be counted in Census 2000. Many programs for non-English speaking respondents have been developed to assist in questionnaire response. These programs include questionnaires and Be Counted forms in Spanish, Korean, Chinese, Tagalog, and Vietnamese; Questionnaire Assistance Centers (QACs), which provide Language Assistance Guides (LAGs) in 49 additional languages; bilingual enumerators during follow-up operations, and Telephone Questionnaire Assistance (TQA) in