

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service****Boundary Establishment for Elk National Wild and Scenic River, Siskiyou National Forest, Curry County, OR**

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The USDA Forest Service, Washington Office, is transmitting the final boundary of the Elk National and Scenic River to Congress.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Information may be obtained by contacting Jim Heck, 200 NE Greenfield Road, Grants Pass, OR 97526, 541-471-6500.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Elk Wild and Scenic River boundary is available for review at the following offices: USDA Forest Service, Recreation, Yates Building, 14th and Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20024; Pacific Northwest Regional Office, 333 SW First Avenue, Portland, OR 97204; Siskiyou National Forest, 200 NE Greenfield Road, Grants Pass, OR 97526.

The Omnibus Oregon Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (Pub. L. 100-557) of October 28, 1988, designated the Elk River, Oregon, as a National Wild and Scenic River, to be administered by the Secretary of Agriculture. The final decision on delineation of a river corridor boundary is based on the Elk Wild and Scenic River Decision Notice and final EA dated September 22, 1994. Unless changed by Congress, the boundary decision will be implemented ninety days after Congress receives this transmittal.

Dated: March 7, 2000.

Nancy Graybeal,

Deputy Regional Forester.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Natural Resources Conservation Service****Upper Tygart Valley River Watershed, Randolph and Pocahontas Counties, West Virginia**

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

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

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy

Act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines (40 CFR part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Guidelines (7 CFR part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is being prepared for Upper Tygart Valley River Watershed, Randolph and Pocahontas Counties, West Virginia.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William J. Hartman, State Conservationist, USDA-NRCS, 75 High Street, Room 301, Morgantown, WV 26505; telephone: 304-284-7545.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that the project may cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, William J. Hartman, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement is needed for this project.

The primary project concerns are water supply, water quality, and fish and wildlife habitat improvement. Alternatives under consideration to reach these objectives include reservoirs, conservation land treatment, and wetland enhancement.

A draft environmental impact statement will be prepared and circulated for review by agencies and the public. The Natural Resources Conservation Service invites participation and consultation of agencies and individuals that have special expertise, legal jurisdiction, or interest in the preparation of the draft environmental impact statement. Meetings have been held with various resource agencies and organizations to determine the scope of the evaluation of the proposed action. Further information on the proposed action or planned meetings may be obtained from William J. Hartman, State Conservationist, at the above address or telephone number.

“(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 intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)”

Dated: March 3, 2000.

William J. Hartman,

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 request.

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 Sections 514, 515, 516, and 521 programs authorized under Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, regarding borrower supervision and servicing for Multi-Family Housing Loans and Grants.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by May 15, 2000 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James E. Vollmer, Loan Specialist, Multi-Family Housing Portfolio Management, RHS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Stop 0782, Washington, DC 20250, Telephone (202) 720-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Title:* Security Servicing for Multiple Family Housing Loans.

OMB Number: 0575-0100.

Expiration Date of Approval: April 30, 2000.

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

Abstract: The Rural Housing Loan and Grant programs under Sections 514, 515, 516, and 521 of Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, provide loans and grants to eligible recipients for the development and operation of rural rental housing projects. These programs are intended to meet the housing needs of very low-, low- and moderate-income rural persons or families including senior citizens, the handicapped or disabled, and domestic farm laborers.

In order to assist its borrowers to operate and maintain these properties to meet program objectives, improve the Agency's ability to assure the continued viability of the program information needs to be collected to process borrower initiated requests.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average between 0.167 and 4.25 hours per response.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The estimated number of respondents for this collection of information is