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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. FV01-945-610 Review]

Idaho-Eastern Oregon Potatoes; Section 610 Review

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of review and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) plans to review Marketing Order 945, which regulates the handling of Irish potatoes grown in certain designated counties in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon, under the criteria contained in section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA).

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by July 10, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning this notice of review. Comments must be sent to the Docket Clerk, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS, USDA, Room 2525-S, P. O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456; Fax: (202) 720-8938; or E-mail: moab.docketclerk@usda.gov. All comments should reference the docket number and the date and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register** and will be made available for public inspection in the Office of the Docket Clerk during regular business hours, or may be viewed at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/moab.html>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Marketing Order No. 945, as amended (7 CFR part 945), regulates the handling of Irish potatoes grown in certain designated counties in Idaho and Malheur County, Oregon. The marketing order is effective under the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937 (AMAA), as amended (7 U.S.C. 601-674).

AMS published in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 8014; February 18, 1999), its plan to review certain regulations, including Marketing Order No. 945, under criteria contained in section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA; 5 U.S.C. 601-612). Because many AMS regulations impact small entities, AMS decided, as a matter of policy, to review certain regulations which, although they may not meet the threshold requirement under section 610 of the RFA, warrant review. The February 18 notice stated that AMS would list the regulations to be reviewed in AMS' regulatory agenda which is published in the **Federal Register** as part of the Unified Agenda. However, after further consideration, AMS has decided to announce the reviews in the **Federal Register** separate from the Unified Agenda. Accordingly, this notice and request for comments is made for Idaho-Eastern Oregon potatoes.

The purpose of the review will be to determine whether the Idaho-Eastern Oregon potato marketing order should be continued without change, amended, or rescinded (consistent with the objectives of the AMAA) to minimize the impacts on small entities. In conducting this review, AMS will consider the following factors: (1) The continued need for the marketing order; (2) the nature of complaints or comments received from the public concerning the marketing order; (3) the complexity of the marketing order; (4) the extent to which the marketing order overlaps, duplicates, or conflicts with other Federal rules, and, to the extent feasible, with State and local governmental rules; and (5) the length of time since the marketing order has been evaluated or the degree to which technology, economic conditions, or

other factors have changed in the area affected by the marketing order.

Written comments, views, opinions, and other information regarding the potato marketing order's impact on small businesses are invited.

Dated: May 7, 2001.

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Acting Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

County Line—Fourmile Project, McKean And Warren Counties, PA

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

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

SUMMARY: The Forest Service, Allegheny National Forest, Bradford Ranger District will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to disclose the environmental consequences of the proposed County Line—Fourmile Project, and alternatives to the proposal.

The County Line—Fourmile Project area is located just north and northeast of Sheffield, Pennsylvania within Mead and Sheffield Townships in Warren County and Hamilton Township in McKean County. The total project area is approximately 12,515 acres, with 70% National Forest System lands and 30% private land.

The Forest Service is proposing to move from the existing condition of the County Line—Fourmile project area towards the Desired Future Condition, as detailed in the Allegheny National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan. Vegetation management, wildlife habitat improvements and transportation activities are proposed to respond to the following resource management needs: (1) To restore native vegetation to improve plant and wildlife habitat diversity, and move toward the desired age class distributions of forested stands, (2) To foster sustainable forest management through harvest and reforestation projects in stands needing treatment, (3) To provide high quality hardwoods and contribute to the economic vitality of local communities, (4) To improve wildlife cover and forage conditions and the distribution of non-