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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### Notice of Intent To Request an Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. No. 104-13) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the Agricultural Research Service's (ARS) intention to request an extension of a currently approved information collection, Form AD-761, USDA Patent License Application for Government Invention that expires November 30, 2001.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by September 12, 2001 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:** Contact June Blalock, USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Room 4-1158, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131; Telephone Number 301-504-5257.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* USDA Patent License Application for Government Invention.  
*OMB Number:* 0518-0003.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* November 30, 2001.

*Type of Request:* To extend a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* The USDA patent licensing program grants patent licenses to qualified businesses and individuals who wish to commercialize inventions arising from federally supported research. The objective of the program is to use the patent system to promote the utilization of inventions arising from

such research. The licensing of federally owned inventions must be done in accordance with the terms, conditions and procedures prescribed under 37 CFR Part 404. Application for a license must be addressed to the Federal agency having custody of the invention. Licenses may be granted only if the license applicant has supplied the Federal agency with a satisfactory plan for the development and marketing of the invention and with information about the applicant's capability to fulfill the plan. 37 CFR 404.8 sets forth the information which must be provided by a license applicant. For the convenience of the applicant, USDA has itemized the information needed on Form AD-761, and instructions for completing the form are provided to the applicant. The information submitted is used to determine whether the applicant has both a complete and sufficient plan for developing and marketing the invention and the necessary manufacturing, marketing, technical and financial resources to carry out the submitted plan.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours per response.

*Description of Respondents:* Businesses or other for profit individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 75.

*Frequency of Responses:* One time per invention.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 225 hours.

Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from June Blalock, USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer by calling 301-504-5257.

**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, such as through the use of appropriate

automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques. Comments may be sent to USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Room 4-1158, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131. 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.

**Michael D. Ruff,**

*Assistant Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet at the Siuslaw National Forest Supervisor's Office, Siuslaw River Room, 4077 SW Research Way, Corvallis, OR 97333, on July 19, 2001. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. The agenda will include: County Payments Update; Report on Grassy Knoll Ecosystems; Upland Restoration on the Green Peak Density Management Project; Update on the Umpqua Land Exchange Proposal; Round Robin Information Sharing; and Recreation Use Issues & LSR Management in the Marys Peak Area (this will include a field trip to Marys Peak in the afternoon, for which transportation will be provided). Participants are asked to please bring their lunch. The meeting should end around 4 p.m. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend. A fifteen-minute public comment period is scheduled at 11:15 a.m. The committee welcomes the public's written comments on committee business at any time.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joni Quarnstrom, Public Affairs Specialist, Siuslaw National Forest, 541/750-7075 or write to Forest Supervisor, Siuslaw National Forest, PO Box 1148, Corvallis, OR 97339.