

may have more than three approved projects underway at any given time. Although funded projects may take place in the United States, all eligible projects must specifically address sanitary, phytosanitary, or technical barriers to the export of U.S. specialty crops.

Certain types of expenses are not eligible for reimbursement by the program. For example, program funds shall not be used to reimburse the costs of market research, advertising, or other promotional expenses. CCC will not reimburse expenditures made prior to approval of a proposal or unreasonable expenditures.

5. Other Submission Requirements: All Internet-based applications must be properly submitted by 5 p.m. (local time in Washington, DC) on February 1, 2004; May 1, 2004; or August 1, 2004, in order to be considered during that quarter's review process.

All applications on diskette (with two accompanying paper copies) and any other applications must be received by 5 p.m. (local time in Washington, DC) on February 1, 2004; May 1, 2004; or August 1, 2004, at one of the following addresses:

Hand Delivery (including FedEx, DHL, UPS, etc.): U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service, Marketing Operations Staff, Room 4932-S, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-1042.

U.S. Postal Delivery: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service, Marketing Operations Staff, STOP 1042, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-1042.

V. Application Review Information

1. Criteria: The FAS follows the evaluation criteria set forth in § 1487.6 of the TASC regulations.

2. Review and Selection Process: The FAS will review proposals for eligibility and will evaluate each proposal against the factors described above. The purpose of this review is to identify meritorious proposals, recommend an appropriate funding level for each proposal based upon these factors, and submit the proposals and funding recommendations to the Deputy Administrator, Commodity and Marketing Programs. The FAS may, when appropriate to the subject matter of the proposal, request the assistance of other U.S. government experts in evaluating the merits of a proposal.

VI. Award Administration Information

1. Award Notices: The FAS will notify all applicants in writing of the final disposition of its application. The FAS

will send an approval letter and agreement to each approved applicant. The approval letter and agreement will specify the terms and conditions applicable to the project, including levels of funding, timelines for implementation and written evaluation requirements.

2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements: The agreements will incorporate the details of each project as approved by FAS. Each agreement will identify terms and conditions pursuant to which CCC will reimburse certain costs of each project. Agreements will also outline the responsibilities of the participant. Interested parties should review the TASC Program regulations found at 7 CFR part 1478 in addition to this announcement.

3. Reporting: TASC participants are subject to the reporting and recordkeeping requirements described in 7 CFR part 3019. In addition, participants are required to submit a written report(s), on no less than an annual basis, and a final report, each of which evaluates their TASC project using the performance measures presented in the approved proposal.

VII. Agency Contact

For additional information or assistance, contact the Marketing Operations Staff, Foreign Agricultural Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 4932-S, Stop 1042, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250-1042, phone: (202) 720-4327, fax: (202) 720-9361, e-mail: mosadmin@fas.usda.gov.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Analysis of the Summer Food Service Program and Food Needs of Nonparticipating Children—Data Collection Instruments

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Food and Nutrition Service's intention to request Office of Management and Budget

approval of the data collection instruments for the Analysis of the Summer Food Service Program and Food Needs of Nonparticipating Children.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by March 23, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to: Alberta C. Frost, Director, Office of Analysis, Nutrition and Evaluation, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

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.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collection instruments should be directed to Alberta C. Frost (703) 305-2117.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Analysis of the Summer Food Service Program and Food Needs of Nonparticipating Children—Data Collection Instruments.

OMB Number: Not yet assigned.

Expiration Date: N/A.

Type of Request: New collection of information.

Abstract: Section 13 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (NSLA), 42 U.S.C. 1761, authorizes the Summer Food Service Program. The Summer Food Service Program (SFSP) provides assistance to States to initiate and maintain nonprofit food service programs for children in needy areas during the summer months and at other approved times. The food service to be provided under the Summer Food Service Program is intended to serve as a substitute for the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program during the times

when school is not in session. During the regular school year, the federally funded National School Lunch Program makes available nutritious meals to children attending elementary, middle and high schools. Children, who could not otherwise afford to pay full price, are able to receive their lunch for free or at a reduced price, depending on the economic status of their household. Breakfasts are also made available in most school districts during the school year to provide nutritious meals to children.

When school lets out for the summer, children from low-income areas can potentially participate in the SFSP. Meals available through the SFSP are often offered through various educational and recreational activities, including camps, sports and art/craft activities. The primary goal of SFSP is to provide nutritious meals to children in low-income areas when school is not in session during the summer. The summer food program for children operates in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico. However, the number of children in the SFSP served in July 2001 (2.1 million per day) was only about 14 percent of the children who receive free or reduced-priced school lunches during the previous, regular school year.

The Food and Nutrition Service has a need for information on households' awareness of SFSP sites in their local communities, reasons why their children do not participate, and perceptions of food adequacy for their children during the summer compared to the regular school year. Telephone and in-depth personal interviews are to be conducted in English and Spanish, as needed, with an ethnic and racially diverse sample of parents/guardians of children in low-income areas who receive free and reduced lunches during the school year but who do not participate in the SFSP. Additional interviews will also be conducted for comparison purposes with the parents/guardians of qualifying children who do participate in the summer food program for children. The interviews will be held in four sites around the United States.

Respondents: Parents/guardians of children in low-income areas who qualify for free or reduced price lunches during the regular school year and who do not participate in the SFSP, as well as parents/guardians of children that do participate in SFSP.

Estimated Number of Respondents: A telephone screener survey will be administered to an estimated 400 households. Based on information obtained from the screener survey, 50 households will complete an extended

telephone interview (40 households with elementary-grade children who did not participate in the SFSP and 10 households with children who did participate in SFSP) in each of the four sites for a total of 200 extended telephone interviews. Twenty-five in-person interviews will be conducted among the 50 households completing telephone interviews in each of the four sites for a total of 100 in-person interviews.

Estimated number of responses per Respondent: One response for the 100 households completing only the telephone interview, two responses for the 100 households who complete the telephone and the in-person interviews.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for parents/guardians is estimated to be 10 minutes for completing the telephone screener and 20 minutes for completing additional questions in the extended telephone interview. The in-person interview will require 30 minutes.

Estimate Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 183.4 hours.

Screener interview = 400 households \times 10 minutes = 66.7 hours; extended telephone interview = 200 households \times 20 minutes = 66.7 hours; in-person interview with respondents who have already completed the screener and the telephone survey = 100 households \times 30 minutes = 50 hours.

Dated: January 16, 2004.

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Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

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To Remove or Modify the Survey and Manage Mitigation Measure Standards and Guidelines

AGENCIES: Forest Service, USDA; Bureau of Land Management, USDI.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) to remove or modify the survey and manage mitigation measure standards and guidelines.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) (collectively the Agencies) have prepared a FSEIS. The Agencies are

supplementing the analyses contained in the FSEIS (2000) for amendment to the survey and manage, protection buffer, and other mitigation measures standards and guidelines, and the FSEIS (1994) for amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management planning documents within the range of the Northern Spotted Owl.

The FSEIS is now available to the public. Requests to receive copies of the FSEIS should be sent to the address listed below. Alternately, the FSEIS is available on the Internet at www.or.blm.gov/nwfpnepa.

DATES: Publication of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) notice of availability and filing of the FSEIS in the **Federal Register** initiates a 30-day availability period. This 30-day availability period is not a comment period.

ADDRESSES: To request copies of the document, or add your name to the mailing list, contact: Survey and Manage FSEIS, 333 SW., First Avenue, P.O. Box 2965, Portland, Oregon 97208; fax: (503) 326-2396 (please address fax to: "Survey and Manage FSEIS").

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jerry Hubbard, Survey and Manage FSEIS Team Logistics Coordinator; telephone (503) 326-2355; or e-mail: oregon_smnepa_mail@or.blm.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A limited number of individual copies of the Draft SEIS may also be obtained by contacting Jerry Hubbard. Copies are also available for inspection at public libraries and Forest Service or BLM offices in western Washington, western Oregon, and northwestern California.

Three alternatives, including no action, are considered in detail in the FSEIS. The preferred alternative is Alternative 2. The preferred alternative would remove the survey and manage mitigation measure and the Agencies would rely on other elements of the Northwest Forest Plan and their existing Special Status Species Programs to conserve rare species. A decision to select one of the action alternatives would amend the management direction in all 28 Forest Service land and resource management plans and BLM resource management plans in the Northwest Forest Plan area.

Readers should note that the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior are the responsible officials for this proposed action.

Therefore, no administrative review ("appeal") through the Forest Service will be available on the Record of Decision under 36 CFR part 217, and no administrative review ("protest")