

information from a variety of individuals who are involved in growing, exporting, and importing nursery stock.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information to ensure that plant pest are not introduced into the United States. The information APHIS collects serves as the supporting documentation needed to issue required PPQ forms and documents that allow importation of nursery stock.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; State, local or tribal government; Individuals or households; Farms.

Number of Respondents: 20.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 10.

Animal Plant and Health Inspection Service

Title: Environmental Monitoring Form.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0117.

Summary of Collection: The mission of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is to provide leadership in ensuring the health and care of animals and plants, to improve the agricultural productivity and competitiveness, and to contribute to the national economy and the public health. The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq, and the regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality, which implements the procedural aspects of NEPA (40 CFR 1500-1508) requires APHIS to implement environmental monitoring for certain activities conducted for pest and disease, control and eradication programs. APHIS form 2060, Environmental Monitoring Form, will be used to collect information concerning the effects of pesticide used in sensitive habitats.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information on the number of collected samples, description of the samples, the environmental conditions at the collection site including wind speed and direction, temperature, humidity of rainfall, and topography. The supporting information contained on the APHIS form 2060 is vital for interpreting the laboratory tests APHIS conducts on its collected samples. Failure to collect this information would prevent APHIS from actively monitoring the effects of pesticides in areas where the inappropriate use of these chemicals could eventually produce disastrous results for vulnerable habitats and species.

Description of Respondents: State, local or tribal government; Individuals or households; Farms.

Number of Respondents: 150.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 1,500.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

The Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), approved a petition for trade adjustment assistance (TAA) that was filed on November 18, 2004, by the Louisiana Shrimp Association, Grand Isle, Louisiana. The certification date is January 10, 2005. Beginning on this date, shrimpers who land their catch in Louisiana will be eligible to apply for fiscal year 2005 benefits during an application period ending April 11, 2005.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Upon investigation, the Administrator determined that increased imports of farmed shrimp contributed importantly to a decline in the landed prices of shrimp in Louisiana by 27.5 percent during January 2003 through December 2003, when compared with the previous 5-year average.

Eligible producers must apply to the Farm Service Agency for benefits. After submitting completed applications, producers shall receive technical assistance provided by the Extension Service at no cost and may receive an adjustment assistance payment, if certain program criteria are satisfied. Applicants must obtain the technical assistance from the Extension Service by July 11, 2005, in order to be eligible for financial payments.

Producers of raw agricultural commodities wishing to learn more about TAA and how they may apply should contact the Department of Agriculture at the addresses provided below for General Information.

Producers Certified as Eligible for TAA, Contact: Farm Service Agency service centers in Louisiana.

For General Information About TAA, Contact: Jean-Louis Pajot, Coordinator,

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers, FAS, USDA, (202) 720-2916, email: trade.adjustment@fas.usda.gov.

Dated: December 15, 2004.

A. Ellen Terpstra,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

The Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), approved for a subsequent year the trade adjustment assistance (TAA) petition that was filed by the Organized Seafood Association of Alabama, Inc., on behalf of Alabama shrimpers and initially certified on January 12, 2004. The re-certification date is January 10, 2005. Beginning on this date, shrimpers who land their catch in Alabama will be eligible to apply for fiscal year 2005 benefits during an application period ending on April 11, 2005.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Upon investigation, the Administrator determined that imports of farmed shrimp contributed importantly to a decline in the average landed price of shrimp in Alabama by 23.4 percent during the 2003 marketing period (January-December), compared to the 1997-2001 base period.

Eligible producers must apply to the Farm Service Agency for benefits. After submitting completed applications, producers shall receive technical assistance provided by the Extension Service at no cost and may receive an adjustment assistance payment, if certain program criteria are satisfied. Applicants in fiscal year 2005, who did not receive technical assistance under the fiscal year 2004 TAA program, must obtain the technical assistance from the Extension Service by July 11, 2005, in order to be eligible for financial payments.

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