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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

November 7, 2007.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) whether the 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 burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the 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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to

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Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Title: Value-Added Producer Grants.

OMB Control Number: 0570-0039.

Summary of Collection: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS) an agency within the USDA Rural Development mission area will administer the Value-Added Producer Grants Program. The Program is authorized by the Agriculture Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224) as amended by the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Farm Bill) (Pub. L. 107-171). The objective of this program is to encourage producers of agricultural commodities and products of agricultural commodities to further refine these products increasing their value to end users of the product. These grants will be used for two purposes: (1) To fund feasibility studies, marketing and business plans, and similar development activities; (2) to use the grant as part of the venture's working capital fund. Grants will only be awarded if projects or ventures are determined to be economically viable and sustainable.

Need and Use of the Information: RBS will use the information collected to determine (1) eligibility; (2) the specific purpose for which the funds will be utilized; (3) time frames or dates by which activities are to be accomplished; (4) feasibility of the project; (5) applicants' experience in managing similar activities; and (6) the effectiveness and innovation used to address critical issues vital to value-added ventures development and sustainability. Without this information, there would be no basis on which to award funds.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals.

Number of Respondents: 535.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Monthly; Semi-annually; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 57,616.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will be meeting for a presentation from James Peterson with the Evergreen Foundation and hold a short public forum (question and answer session). The meeting is being held pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393). The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on November 27, 2007, 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Bitterroot National Forest Supervisor Building, 1801 N 1st Street, Hamilton, Montana. Send written comments to Dan Ritter, District Ranger, Stevensville Ranger District, 88 Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870, by facsimile (406) 777-7423, or electronically to dritter@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dan Ritter, Stevensville District Ranger and Designated Federal Officer, Phone: (406) 777-5461.

Dated: November 6, 2007.

David T. Bull,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).
Title: Pacific Tuna Fisheries Logbook.
Form Number(s): None.
OMB Approval Number: 0648-0148.
Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 119.

Number of Respondents: 20.

Average Hours Per Response: 5 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The operators of U.S. purse seine vessels fishing for tuna in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean are required (50CFR 300.22) to maintain logbooks of catch and effort. Information requirements include the date, noon position, and tonnage of fish on board by species. The data collected is used to meet U.S. obligations to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and for the management of tuna stocks.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Daily.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: November 7, 2007.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Title: Application for Investment Assistance.

OMB Control Number: 0610-0094.

Form Number(s): ED-900.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 18,952.

Number of Respondents: 875.

Average Hours Per Response: 22 hours.

Needs and Uses: This information collection is necessary to determine the applicant's eligibility for investment assistance under EDA's authorizing statute, the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. 3121 *et seq.*), and regulations (13 CFR Chapter III). The information also determines the (1) quality of the proposed scope of work to address the pressing economic distress of the region in which the proposed project will be located; (2) merits of the activities for which the investment assistance is requested; and (3) ability of the eligible applicant to carry out the proposed activities successfully.

Affected Public: State and local governments; Tribal government; Institutions of higher education; Non-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit organizations; Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

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Dated: November 7, 2007.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Tag Recapture Card.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0259.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 8.

Number of Respondents: 240.

Average Hours Per Response: 2 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The primary objectives of a tagging program are to obtain scientific information on fish growth and movements necessary to assist in stock assessment and management. This is accomplished by the random recapture of tagged fish by fishermen and the subsequent voluntary submission of the appropriate data.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

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Dated: November 7, 2007.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Title: Institutional Remittances to Foreign Countries.

OMB Control Number: 0608-0002.

Form Number(s): BE-40.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 2,100.

Number of Respondents: 790.

Average Hours Per Response: 1.5 hours.

Needs and Uses: The survey is required in order to obtain data concerning the transfer of cash grants to