

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service****Information Collection; Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) Inventory**

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Request for comment; notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the new information collection, Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) Inventory.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before January 28, 2008 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Melissa Frey, USDA Forest Service, F&AM, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Mailstop Code: 1107, Washington, DC 20250-1107.

Comments also may be submitted via facsimile to (202) 205-1401; or by e-mail to mfrey@fs.fed.us.

The public may inspect comments received at USDA Forest Service, Fire and Aviation Management—Room 2SO, 201 14th St., SW., Washington, DC 20024 during normal business hours. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (202) 205-1483 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melissa Frey, Fire and Aviation Management, phone: (202) 205-0955, mfrey@fs.fed.us. Individuals who use TDD may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) Inventory.

OMB Number: 0596-New.

Type of Request: New.

Abstract: The Forest Service acquires excess federally-owned property to loan to state cooperators for wildland fire fighting. Since the property belongs to the Forest Service, the proposed inventory system will facilitate reporting by state agencies to the Forest Service on the status and location of the property.

Program authorities include, the Federal Property and Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended (40 U.S.C. 483), and the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2101 (note)). Additional pertinent regulations include the USDA

Organic Act of 1944 (16 U.S.C. 508a) and Federal Property Management Regulations 101-43.309-1, 101-43-313, and 101-43-314 (40 U.S.C. 483).

State agencies will use the electronic database (Federal Excess Property Management Information System or FEPMIS) to submit information regarding property make, model, serial number, acquisition value, location, and acquisition date when an item is acquired or no longer needed. Forest Service property management technicians will collect the information from FEPMIS and enter it into a National Finance Center database (PROP), as required by Federal Property Management Regulations. Forest Service property management officers will analyze the data collected to ensure that the property accountability is accurate and no misuse of property is occurring.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 2 minutes.

Type of Respondents: State agency FEPP property managers.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 55.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 300.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 5,800 hours.

Comment is invited on: (1) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical or scientific utility; (2) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: November 20, 2007.

Kent P. Connaughton,

Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service**

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Notice of Extension of Public Comment Period for the Forest Service Proposed Wind Energy Directives (FSM 2720, FSH 2609.13 and FSH 2709.11)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service is extending the public comment period an additional 60 days, from November 23, 2007, to January 23, 2008, for the proposed directives for wind energy development on National Forest System (NFS) lands. As stated in the original Public Notice which was published on Monday, September 24, 2007, **Federal Register** Vol. 72, No. 184, the Forest Service is proposing to amend its internal directives for special use authorizations and wildlife monitoring. Reviewers may obtain a copy of the proposed amendments from the address cited in the addresses section below or from the Forest Service home page on the World Wide Web at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/recreation/permits/energy.htm>. Public comment is invited and will be considered in the development of final directives.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 23, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Wind Energy Proposed Directives, *Attention:* Director, Lands Staff, 4th Floor-South, USDA Forest Service, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Mailstop 1124, Washington, DC 20250, or by facsimile to (202) 205-1604. You may also submit comments by following the instructions at the Federal e-rulemaking portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, will be placed in the record and will be available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received on the proposed directives in the USDA Forest Service Headquarters located at 201 14th Street, SW., Washington, DC, during regular business hours between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Those wishing to inspect comments are encouraged to call ahead to (202) 205-1248 or (202) 205-0895 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Johnson, Minerals and Geology Management, (703) 605-4793, or Julett Denton, Lands Staff, (202) 205-1256.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

Dated: November 20, 2007.

Corbin L. Newman, Jr.,

Acting Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Inviting Rural Business Enterprise Grant Program Preapplications for Technical Assistance for Rural Transportation Systems

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS), an Agency within the USDA Rural Development mission area, announces the availability of two individual grants: one grant from the passenger transportation funds appropriated for the Rural Business Enterprise Grant (RBEG) program and another grant for Federally Recognized Native American Tribes' (FRNAT) from funds appropriated for the RBEG program. USDA Rural Development will administer these awards under the RBEG program and 7 U.S.C. 1932(c)(2) for fiscal year (FY) 2008. Historically, Congress has appropriated funding for these specific programs. This notice is being issued prior to passage of a FY 2008 Appropriations Act, which may or may not provide an appropriation for these programs, to allow applicants sufficient time to leverage financing, submit applications, and give the Agency time to process applications within the current fiscal year. A subsequent notice identifying the amount received in the appropriations will be published, if any. Each grant is to be competitively awarded to a qualified national organization. One grant is for the provision of technical assistance to rural transportation projects. The other grant is for the provision of technical assistance to rural transportation projects operated by FRNAT's only. This notice will be amended to publish final funding levels, if any.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of preapplications in the USDA Rural Development State Office is January 31, 2008. Applications received at a USDA Rural Development State Office after

that date will not be considered for FY 2008 funding.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Cindy Mason, Loan Specialist, USDA Rural Development, USDA, STOP 3225, Room 6866, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3225. Telephone: (202) 690-1433, Fax: (202) 720-2213.

ADDRESSES: For additional information, entities wishing to apply for assistance should contact a USDA Rural Development State Office to obtain copies of the application package. A list of USDA Rural Development State Offices follows:

District of Columbia, Rural Development Business Programs, USDA, Specialty Lenders Division, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 3225, Room 6867, Washington, DC 20250-3225, (202) 720-1400.

Alabama, USDA Rural Development State Office, Sterling Centre, Suite 601, 4121 Carmichael Road, Montgomery, AL 36106-3683, (334) 279-3400/TDD (334) 279-3495.

Alaska, USDA Rural Development State Office, 800 West Evergreen, Suite 201, Palmer, AK 99645-6539, (907) 761-7705/TDD (907) 761-8905.

Arizona, USDA Rural Development State Office, 230 N. 1st Ave., Suite 206, Phoenix, AZ 85003, (602) 280-8701/TDD (602) 280-8705.

Arkansas, USDA Rural Development State Office, 700 West Capitol Avenue, Room 3416, Little Rock, AR 72201-3225, (501) 301-3200/TDD (501) 301-3279.

California, USDA Rural Development State Office, 430 G Street, # 4169, Davis, CA 95616-4169, (530) 792-5800/TDD (530) 792-5848.

Colorado, USDA Rural Development State Office, 655 Parfet Street, Room E-100, Lakewood, CO 80215, (720) 544-2903/TDD (720) 544-2976.

Delaware-Maryland, USDA Rural Development State Office, 1221 College Park Drive, Suite 200, Dover, DE 19904, (302) 857-3580/TDD (302) 857-3585.

Florida/Virgin Islands, USDA Rural Development State Office, 4440 NW 25th Place, P.O. Box 147010, Gainesville, FL 32614-7010, (352) 338-3400/TDD (352) 338-3499.

Georgia, USDA Rural Development State Office, Stephens Federal Building, 355 E. Hancock Avenue, Athens, GA 30601-2768, (706) 546-2162/TDD (706) 546-2034.

Hawaii, USDA Rural Development State Office, Federal Building, Room 311, 154 Waiuanue Avenue, Hilo, HI 96720, (808) 933-8380/TDD (808) 933-8321.

Idaho, USDA Rural Development State Office, 9173 West Barnes Dr., Suite

A1, Boise, ID 83709, (208) 378-5600/TDD (208) 378-5644.

Illinois, USDA Rural Development State Office, 2118 West Park Court, Suite A, Champaign, IL 61821, (217) 403-6200/TDD (217) 403-6240.

Indiana, USDA Rural Development State Office, 5975 Lakeside Boulevard, Indianapolis, IN 46278, (317) 290-3100/TDD (317) 290-3343.

Iowa, USDA Rural Development State Office, Federal Building, Room 873, 210 Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50309, (515) 284-4663/TDD (515) 284-4858.

Kansas, USDA Rural Development State Office, 1303 SW. First American Place, Suite 100, Topeka, KS 66604-4040, (785) 271-2700/TDD (785) 271-2767.

Kentucky, USDA Rural Development State Office, 771 Corporate Drive, Suite 200, Lexington, KY 40503, (859) 224-7300/TDD (859) 224-7422.

Louisiana, USDA Rural Development State Office, 3727 Government Street, Alexandria, LA 71302, (318) 473-7921/TDD (318) 473-7655.

Maine, USDA Rural Development State Office, 967 Illinois Avenue, Suite 4, P.O. Box 405, Bangor, ME 04402-0405, (207) 990-9160/TDD (207) 942-7331.

Massachusetts/Rhode Island/Connecticut, USDA Rural Development State Office, 451 West Street, Suite 2, Amherst, MA 01002-2999, (413) 253-4300/TDD (413) 253-4590.

Michigan, USDA Rural Development State Office, 3001 Coolidge Road, Suite 200, East Lansing, MI 48823, (517) 324-5190/TDD (517) 324-5169.

Minnesota, USDA Rural Development State Office, 375 Jackson Street, Suite 410, St. Paul, MN 55101-1853, (651) 602-7800/TDD (651) 602-3799.

Mississippi, USDA Rural Development State Office, Federal Building, Suite 831, 100 W. Capitol Street, Jackson, MS 39269, (601) 965-4316/TDD (601) 965-5850.

Missouri, USDA Rural Development State Office, 601 Business Loop 70 West, Parkade Center, Suite 235, Columbia, MO 65203, (573) 876-0976/TDD (573) 876-9480.

Montana, USDA Rural Development State Office, 900 Technology Boulevard, Suite B, P.O. Box 850, Bozeman, MT 59771, (406) 585-2580/TDD (406) 585-2562.

Nebraska, USDA Rural Development State Office Federal Building, Room 152, 100 Centennial Mall North Lincoln, NE 68508 (402) 437-5551/TDD (402) 437-5093.

Nevada, USDA Rural Development State Office, 1390 South Curry Street, Carson City, NV 89703-5146, (775) 887-1222/TDD (775) 885-0633.