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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

March 20, 2008.

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

the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Forest Service

Title: Wood Education and Resource Center Training Registry.

OMB Control Number: 0596-NEW.

Summary of Collection: The USDA Forest Service is developing an online training information system. The Wood Education Resource Center Training Information System is designed to provide a service to trainers and trainees associated with the primary and secondary forest products industry. It will enable the trainees to locate continuing education training opportunities that will meet the criteria they have established. Providing such training will enhance opportunities for the industry, while helping keep the industry competitive in the world market.

Need and Use of the Information: Collection is voluntary and is conducted for the benefit of the users of the website. Making the information available expedites and encourages learning opportunities for members of the timber industry. Trainers will use this site to register training and promote continuing education within the wood products industry. Upon registration, trainees will be able to access the database to find information about training programs, workshops, and short courses that meet the needs of wood products companies and employees. Trainees will be able to search and save information regarding training courses of interests and create a training profile that will automatically match the trainee to courses.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households; Businesses or other for-profits; Not-for-profit Institutions.

Number of Respondents: 3,325.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 3,502

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; Campfire Permit

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comment.

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, Campfire Permit.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before May 27, 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 Jason Kirchner, Public Affairs Staff, U.S. Forest Service Pacific Southwest Region, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592.

Comments also may be submitted via facsimile to (707) 562-9053 or by e-mail to: jdkirchner@fs.fed.us.

The public may inspect comments received at the Forest Service's Pacific Southwest Regional Office during normal business hours. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (707) 562-9014 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jason Kirchner, Pacific Southwest Region, (707) 562-9014. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339 twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: California Campfire Permit.

OMB Number: 0596-New.

Type of Request: New.

Abstract: The issuance of the California Campfire Permit by Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management offices in California is a requirement resulting from a formal agreement with the State of California. The agreement outlines fire management responsibilities for each party and results in enhanced cooperation for fire suppression and fire prevention activities across agency boundaries throughout the state. California State law requires individuals to possess a permit to light, maintain, or

use a campfire on the property of another person and also requires individuals to obtain a campfire permit issued under U.S. Forest Service authority for campfires on National Forest System lands. As part of a formal agreement with the State, the U.S. Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection have agreed to issue an interagency campfire permit that meets the intent of the State law.

California Public Resources Code 4433:

Permits Required. A person shall not light, maintain, or use a campfire upon any brush-covered land, grass-covered land, or forest-covered land which is the property of another person unless he first obtains a written permit from the owner, lessee, or agent of the owner or lessee of the property.

If, however, campsites and special areas have been established by the property owner and posted as areas for camping, a permit is not necessary.

A written campfire permit duly issued by or under the authority of the United States Forest Service is necessary for use on land under the jurisdiction and control of the United States Forest Service.

Issuance of the California Campfire Permit will occur in every Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and CAL FIRE office in the State that is open to the public. The permit is required for any individual that intends to make a campfire on National Forest System lands or Bureau of Land Management lands. Only one permit is required per year per person. The permit requires individuals to provide their name and address, which is used by designated law enforcement officials to verify that the permit belongs to a responsible individual that is present at a campfire. The information is not otherwise used or maintained for any purpose by the Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management.

The California Campfire Permit is a valuable fire prevention tool that provides firefighting organizations in California an opportunity to educate members of the public on safe and responsible campfire use, and allows agencies to personally provide fire prevention messages to every individual that intends to build or maintain a campfire in the state. Without the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management participating in the distribution of this permit, those agencies would lose an important fire prevention tool while making it impossible for individuals to comply with state law due to the language in the state law requiring a campfire permit to be issued under U.S. Forest Service

authority for campfires on National Forest System lands.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 5 minutes.

Type of Respondents: Individuals.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 250,000.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 20,833 hours.

Comment Is Invited

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 submission request toward Office of Management and Budget approval.

March 20, 2008.

Robin L. Thompson,

Associate Deputy Chief, State & Private Forestry.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Shasta Trinity National Forest, South Fork Management Unit, California Salt Timber Harvest and Fuels Hazard Reduction Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Hayfork District of the Shasta Trinity National Forest is proposing to use vegetation treatments to improve forest health, reduce risks from fire and provide forest products on approximately 1,658 acres within the upper Salt Creek watershed on the South Fork Management Unit of the

Shasta Trinity National Forest. Prescribed treatments are expected to produce approximately 4.8 million board feet or 10,600 hundred cubic feet (ccf) of merchantable sawtimber, and an estimated 4,710 bone dry tons of biomass. The Forest Service will analyze these vegetation treatments within the constraints of the Shasta Trinity National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan, 1995.

The proposed Salt project is in Trinity County, 10 air miles south of Hayfork, California and 3 air miles east of Post Mountain, California. The project area is within the Hayfork Adaptive Management Area (AMA), and Management Area 19, Indian Valley/Rattlesnake, of the Shasta-Trinity Land and Resource Management Plan (USFS 1995, p. 4-64 & 65). Treatment areas in T29N, R11W sections 4-9, T29N, R12W sections 1, 2 and 12, T30N, R11W sections 31 and 32, and T30N, R12W sections 25, 26, 35, and 36 M.D.M.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by April 22, 2008 or 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**, whichever is later. The draft environmental impact statement is expected in August, 2008 and the final environmental impact statement is expected January, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments to Sandy Mack, TEAMS USFS Enterprise Unit, 1801 N. First, Hamilton, MT 59840-3114. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to: comments-pacificsouthwest-shasta-trinity-yo11abollahayfork@fs.fed.us with "Salt Project" as the subject.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sandy Mack, Project Team Leader, TEAMS USFS Enterprise Unit, 1801 N. First, Hamilton, MT 59840. Phone (406) 375-2638.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose and Need for Action

The purpose and need for the Salt project is fourfold: Improve forest health and resiliency, reduce hazardous fuels conditions and the potential impacts from wildfire to the National Forest and neighboring land, provide timber products, and decommission roads no longer needed for management. Competition for limited water, nutrients and sun in many highly stocked stands in the Salt project area has reduced the vigor, growth and resiliency of the mixed conifer species. Thinning is needed to improve tree resiliency to disturbance factors such as drought, insects, disease, and fires. Conversely, there are some stands in the suitable timber base that are understocked and