

Community Wildfire Protection Plan to address the fire risk surrounding these communities. There are several homes and businesses in the area that are within the WUI. Fuel hazards are moderate but fire risk relative to human safety and property is high due to the number of people in the area. The project is designed to reduce fire hazard and risk to the community.

Purpose and Need for Action

Given Forest goals, and environmental conditions within the planning area, the Purpose and Need for the proposed action is to:

- Provide timber commodities that contribute towards the Forest's goal to provide a sustainable, predictable, long-term timber supply for local economies; and
- Reduce fuel loading in strategic locations to improve fire protection and human safety around communities in the vicinity of Ruth, California.

Within the context of meeting the purpose and need, there would be opportunities for fuelwood or biomass utilization associated with proposed activities.

Proposed Action

The proposed action is designed to meet the project's purpose and need while meeting the standards and guidelines of the LRMP. The Beaverslide Timber Sale and Fuel Treatment Project would treat vegetation to provide commodities and reduce hazardous fuel conditions.

1. Approximately 20–30 million board feet (MMBF) of timber would be harvested from approximately 2,800 acres within 95 treatment units. Harvesting would be accomplished by utilizing ground-based, skyline, and helicopter logging systems.

Actions connected with commercial timber harvest include:

- Treating harvest activity generated fuel;
 - Constructing approximately 5.4 miles of new temporary road, and re-opening/re-utilizing approximately 2.9 miles of existing non-system roads;
 - Constructing new landings and reutilization of existing landings;
 - Hauling of commercial timber products on County Road 504 and Forest Service System roads within the planning area;
 - Felling and removal, where appropriate, of hazard trees along haul routes; and
 - Decommissioning, maintaining, and reconstructing roads as needed.

2. Fuel loading would be reduced on approximately 2,700 acres within 20 fuel treatment units and 7 strategic fuel treatment corridors.

Responsible Official

The responsible official will be the Forest Supervisor for the Six Rivers National Forest.

Nature of Decision To Be Made

The responsible official will consider the comments, response, disclosure of environmental consequences, and applicable laws, regulations, and policies in making the decision and stating the rationale in the Record of Decision.

Scoping Process

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. Public scoping will include notices in the newspaper of record and mailings of the scoping package to interested and affected parties and posting of the project on the agency's project planning web page and notice in the agency's quarterly Schedule of Proposed Action. A preliminary scoping package was mailed to interested and affected parties in October 2008.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the agency's preparation of the environmental impact statement. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer's concerns and contentions. The submission of timely and specific comments can affect a reviewer's ability to participate in subsequent administrative appeal or judicial review.

Dated: December 10, 2008.

Tyrone Kelley,

Forest Supervisor, Six Rivers National Forest.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Agricultural Library

Notice of Intent To Seek Renewal of Existing Information Collection

AGENCY: USDA, Agricultural Research Service, National Agricultural Library.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the National Agricultural Library's intent to

request approval for a new electronic mailing list subscription form from researchers and practitioners working with water quality and water resources. This voluntary form gives individuals an opportunity to receive and post messages to an electronic discussion list maintained by the Water Quality Information Center (WQIC).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by February 20, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Agency Web site:* <http://www.nal.usda.gov/wqic/askaquestion.php>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments on the Water Quality Information Center Web site.

- *Fax:* 301-504-6409 attention Water Quality Information Center.

- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Water Quality Information Center/National Agricultural Library, 10301 Baltimore Ave., Room 107, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-2351.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Electronic Mailing List Subscription Form.

OMB Number: 0518-0045.

Expiration Date: 3 years from date of approval.

Type of Request: Renewal of existing information collection from Water Quality Information Center distribution list subscribers.

Abstract: The National Agricultural Library's Water Quality Information Center (WQIC) currently maintains an on-line (electronic) announcement-only distribution list. Announcements are distributed to and by distribution list subscribers (participants) through e-mail messages (the service). Participants study or practice in the subject areas covering water and agriculture. Submission of the voluntary "Electronic Mailing List Subscription Form" gives individual researchers and practitioners the opportunity to directly receive and post (share) appropriate announcements through the service. This form contains five items and is used to collect information regarding subjects of interest of potential participants prior to the assignment of distribution list subscriptions. An electronic distribution list subscription form is in place to determine significant interest in potential subscribers through self-description. Information collected includes the potential participant's name, e-mail address, job title, work affiliation, and topics of interest. The online submission form will continue to serve as an efficient vehicle that allows WQIC staff to ensure topical integrity of

distribution list content as the information center communicates with researchers and practitioners whose significant interests are water and agriculture.

Estimate of Burden for Electronic Mailing List Subscription Form: Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 1.0 minutes per response.

Respondents: Water quality and water resources researchers and practitioners.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 60 per year.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1.0 hrs.

Comments: Comments are invited on (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance for 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 the 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 the collection of information on those who respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technology. Comments should be sent to the address in the preamble. All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 2, 2008.

Antoinette A. Betschart,

Associate Administrator, ARS.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Notice of Intent To Revise and Extend a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 this notice announces the intention of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to request revision and extension of a currently approved information collection, the Stocks Reports. Revision to burden hours may be needed due to changes in the size of

the target population, sampling design, and/or questionnaire length.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by February 17, 2009 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number 0535-0007, by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:* OMBOfficer@nass.usda.gov.

Include docket number above in the subject line of the message.

- *Fax:* (202) 720-6396.

- *Mail:* Mail any paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions to: David Hancock, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-2024.

- *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Hand deliver to: David Hancock, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph T. Reilly, Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, (202) 720-4333.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Stocks Reports.

OMB Control Number: 0535-0007.

Expiration Date of Approval: April 30, 2009.

Type of Request: Intent to Seek Approval to Revise and Extend an Information Collection.

Abstract: The primary objective of the National Agricultural Statistics Service is to prepare and issue State and national estimates of crop and livestock production, stocks, disposition, and prices. The Stocks Report Surveys provide estimates of stocks of grains, hops, oilseeds, peanuts, potatoes, and rice that are stored off-farm. These off-farm stocks are combined with on-farm stocks to estimate stocks in all positions. Stocks statistics are used by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to help administer programs; by State agencies to develop, research, and promote the marketing of products; and by producers to find their best market opportunity. The current expiration date for this docket is April 30, 2009. NASS intends to request that the survey be approved for another 3 years.

Authority: These data will be collected under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2204(a). Individually identifiable data collected under this authority are governed by Section 1770 of the Food Security Act of 1985, 7 U.S.C. 2276, which requires USDA to afford strict confidentiality to non-aggregated data provided by respondents. This Notice is

submitted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) and Office of Management and Budget regulations at 5 CFR part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995).

Estimated of Burden: This information collection comprises 15 individual surveys that are conducted 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, or 12 times a year for an estimated total of 50,000 responses. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 18 minutes per response.

Respondents: Farms and businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 13,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 15,000 hours.

Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from David Hancock, NASS Clearance Officer, at (202) 690-2388.

Comments: 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 the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, technological, or other forms of information technology collection techniques.

All responses to this notice will become a matter of public record and be summarized in the request for OMB approval.

Signed at Washington, DC, November 05, 2008.

Joseph T. Reilly,

Associate Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1587]

Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 104, Savannah, GA, Area

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Savannah Airport Commission, grantee of Foreign-Trade