DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities; Proposed Collection; Comment Request; FNS User Access Request

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on proposed information collections. The proposed collection is a revision of a currently approved collection. The purpose of this information collection request is to continue the use of the electronic form FNS 674, titled “FNS User Access Request.” This form will continue to allow access to current FNS systems, modified access, or to remove user access.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before August 29, 2011.

ADDRESSES: 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 shall 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, including use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments may be sent to Leo Wong, Deputy Chief Information Security Officer (CISO), Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 317, Alexandria, VA 22302. Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to Leo.Wong@fns.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Leo Wong, 703–605–1181.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: FNS User Access Request.
OMB Number: 0584–0532.
Form Number: FNS 674.
Expiration Date: November 30, 2011.
Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The FNS 674 is designed to collect user information required to gain access to FNS Information Systems. Respondents: FNS Employees, Contractors, FNS Regions, State Agencies, Field Offices, Partners and Compliance Offices.

Reporting Burden

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,000.
Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.
Estimated Total Annual Responses: 5,000.
Estimated Time per Response: 0.1666667 minutes.
Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 833.333 hours.

Dated: June 16, 2011.
Audrey Rowe,
Administrator, Food and Nutrition Services, USDA.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Forest Service

Ashley Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ashley Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Vernal, Utah. The committee is meeting as authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110–343) and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct introductions, approve meeting minutes, review the status of approved projects and discuss the options for a field trip to review project locations, set the next meeting date, time and location and receive public comment.

DATES: The meetings will be held July 27, 2011, from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held in the Interagency Fire Dispatch Center conference room at the Ashley National Forest Supervisor’s Office, 355 North Vernal Avenue in Vernal, Utah. Written comments should be sent to Ashley National Forest, 355 North Vernal Avenue, Vernal, UT 84078. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to ljhaynes@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 435–781–5142.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at Ashley National Forest, 355 North Vernal Avenue, Vernal, UT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Louis Haynes, RAC Coordinator, Ashley National Forest, (435) 781–5105; e-mail: ljhaynes@fs.fed.us.

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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. The following business will be conducted:
(1) Welcome and roll call; (2) Approval of meeting minutes; (3) Review of approved projects; (4) review of next meeting purpose, location, and date; (5) Receive public comment. Persons who wish to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the committee staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by July 20, 2011 will have the opportunity to address the committee at these meetings.

Dated: June 20, 2011.
Kevin B. Elliott,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Forest Service

Central Montana Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Central Montana Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Stanford, MT. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110–343) (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with the title II
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Announcement of Value-Added Producer Grant Application Deadlines

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA).

SUMMARY: Pursuant to 7 CFR part 4284, subpart J, the Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS) announces the availability of approximately $37 million in competitive grant funds for Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 to help independent agricultural producers enter into value-added activities. This Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) announces $19.3 million provided under the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111–80), and $17.9 million from the Department of Defense and Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act of 2011 (Pub. L. 112–20).

Awards may be made for planning activities or for working capital expenses, but not for both. The maximum grant amount for a planning grant is $100,000 and the maximum grant amount for a working capital grant is $300,000. Rural Development is encouraging applications that will support communities in urban or rural areas, with limited access to healthy foods and with a high poverty and hunger rate.

Ten percent of available funds are reserved to fund applications submitted by Beginning Farmers or Ranchers and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers or Ranchers as defined at 7 CFR 4284.902. An additional 10 percent of available funds are reserved to fund Mid-Tier Value Chain projects (both collectively referred to as “reserved funds”). Grants made to Majority Controlled Producer-Based Business Ventures may not exceed 10 percent of the total funds obligated for the program in the fiscal year.

DATES: Application deadlines.

Completed paper applications, for both unreserved funds or reserved funds, must be postmarked and mailed, shipped, or sent overnight no later than August 29, 2011 to be eligible for FY 2011 grant funding. Late applications are not eligible for FY 2011 grant funding.

Completed electronic applications, for both unreserved funds and reserved funds, must be received by Midnight Eastern Time August 29, 2011 to be eligible for FY 2011 grant funding. Late applications are not eligible for FY 2011 grant funding.

Preliminary review deadline.

Applicants may seek a preliminary review of their application for eligibility and completeness. Applications submitted for preliminary review must be received 30 days prior to the application deadline. Any complete application received after 30 days prior to the application deadline will be considered a final application under this Notice for review, scoring, and consideration for selection for award.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Applicants should visit the program Web site at http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/BCP_VAPG_Grants.html which contains application guidance. Applicants can also contact their USDA Rural Development State Office by calling 800–670–6553 and pressing “1.” Applicants are encouraged to contact their State Offices well in advance of the deadline to discuss their projects and ask any questions about the application process.

Applicants may also contact Lyn Millhiser at 202–720–1227 or Tracey Kennedy at 202–690–1428, or by e-mailing cpgrants@wdc.usda.gov for additional information.

Applicants seeking preliminary review of their applications may submit drafts to their State office in accordance with the aforementioned “Preliminary review deadline.” The preliminary review will only assess the eligibility of the application and its completeness. The results of the preliminary review are not binding on the Agency.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Paperwork Reduction Act

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, the paperwork burden associated with this Notice has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under OMB Control Number 0570–0064.

Producers seeking funding under this Notice have to submit applications that include specified information, certifications, and agreements. All of the forms, information, certifications, and agreements required to apply for grants under this Notice have been authorized under OMB Control Number 0570–0064.