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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2011–0065]

Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Domestic Quarantine Notices

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service’s intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with regulations to prevent the spread of plant pests and diseases within the United States.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before September 12, 2011.

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


• Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2011–0065, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=APHIS-2011-0065 or in our reading room, which is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690–2817 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the domestic quarantine regulations to prevent the spread of plant pests and diseases, contact Ms. Lynn Evans-Goldner, National Program Manager, Emergency and Domestic Programs, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 160, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734–7228. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles, APHIS’ Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851–2908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Domestic Quarantine Regulations.

OMB Number: 0579–0088.

Type of Request: Extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: Under the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701 et seq.) (PPA), the Secretary of Agriculture may prohibit or restrict the importation, entry, exportation, or movement in interstate commerce of any plant, plant product, biological control organism, noxious weed, means of conveyance, or other article to prevent a plant pest or noxious weed from being introduced into or disseminated within the United States. This authority has been delegated to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), which administers regulations to implement the PPA. APHIS regulations in 7 CFR part 301, “Domestic Quarantine Notices,” prohibit or restrict the interstate movement of certain articles from infested areas to noninfested areas to prevent the spread of plant pests. Federal and State quarantines are necessary to regulate the movement of articles from infested areas to noninfested areas. For example, if an area in the United States has been placed under quarantine due to the Asian longhorned beetle, then certain plant products (regulated articles) that are susceptible to the Asian longhorned beetle can be moved from the quarantined area only under certain conditions (i.e., after inspection and issuance of a certificate or limited permit). These measures help prevent the Asian longhorned beetle from spreading from the quarantined area to noninfested areas of the United States. Administering these regulations requires APHIS to collect information from a variety of individuals who are involved in growing, packing, handling, and transporting plants and plant products. The information serves as the supporting documentation required for the issuance of forms and documents that authorize the movement of regulated plants and plant products and is vital to help prevent the spread of injurious plant pests within the United States. Collecting this information requires us to use a number of forms and documents, including certificates, limited permits, transit permits, and outdoor household article documents.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities for an additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

(1) Evaluate 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, and other collection technologies; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.3271177 hours per response.

Respondents: State plant regulatory officials, State cooperators, and individuals involved in growing, packing, handling, and transporting plants and plant products.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 7,135.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 229.88409.

Estimated annual number of responses: 1,640,223.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 536,546 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual

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number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

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

Done in Washington, DC, this 6th day of July 2011.
Kevin Shea,
Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Food Distribution Forms

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), 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 this information collection. This collection is a revision of a currently approved collection which FNS employs to determine public participation and the distribution of foods in the Food Distribution Programs.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before September 12, 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 that were 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: Laura Castro, Branch Chief, Policy Branch, Food Distribution Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 500, Alexandria, VA 22302–1594. Comments may also be submitted via fax to the attention of Theresa Geldard at 703–305–2410 or via e-mail to Theresa.Geldard@fns.usda.gov. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to http://www.regulations.gov, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

All written comments will be open for public inspection at the office of the Food and Nutrition Service during regular business hours (8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday) at 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 500, Alexandria, Virginia 22302.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval. All comments will be a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Laura Castro at 703–305–2662.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Food Distribution Forms.


OMB Number: 0584–0293.

Expiration Date: December 31, 2012.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The Food Distribution Programs of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) assist American farmers and needy people by purchasing and delivering food to State agencies that, in turn, distribute them to organizations that assist those in need. Effective administration of Food Distribution Programs is dependent on the collection and submission of information from State and local agencies to FNS. This information includes, for example, the number of households served in the programs; the quantities of foods ordered, and where the food is to be delivered; verification of the receipt of a food order; and the amounts of USDA foods in inventory. FNS employs this information collection activity to obtain the data necessary to make those calculations. This is a revision of an information collection based on a final rule titled Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR): Amendments Related to the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 published in 76 FR 18861 on April 6, 2011. This final rule codifies several policy changes to ensure FDPIR regulations are consistent with changes made by the 2008 Farm Bill to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

Affected Public: Respondent groups include: (1) Individuals and households; (2) businesses or other for-profit agencies; (3) not for profit organizations; and (4) State, local, and tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The total estimated number of respondents is 469,041. This includes 457,000 individuals and households, 500 businesses and other for-profit companies, 11,211 private not-for-profit organizations, and 330 State, local, and tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: The total estimated average number of responses is 2.59 per respondent.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 1,655,721.

Estimated Time per Response: The average response time is 0.27 hours per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: See the table below for estimated total annual burden for each type of respondent.

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