

participants and non-participants through a 20-minute telephone survey and through 60-minute focus groups in order to better understand the client experience with SNAP in general and the pilot project more specifically. In pilot locations, the evaluation will also ask about respondents' impressions of the pilot initiative.

Affected Public: Individuals/ Households.

Respondent Type: SNAP participants and eligible non-participants in States with a pilot project.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The total estimated number of sample members to the survey is 6,000. This includes 1,000 individuals in New

Mexico, 2,000 in Washington, and 3,000 in Pennsylvania. The total estimated number of respondents to the survey is 4,803, or 80% of the sample in each State (85% of the participant sample and 75% of the nonparticipant sample). The total estimated number of sample members to the focus group is 138. The total number of focus group participants is 110, or 80% of the focus group sample in each State. This includes two groups with 10 people each in Pennsylvania, five groups with 10 people each in Washington, and four groups with 10 people each in New Mexico.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: For the survey, there will

be one interview per SNAP participant or nonparticipant. Participants in the focus groups will only participate once. The focus group participants in each State will be recruited from the survey sample in that State.

Estimated Time per Response: The estimated average response time is 20 minutes for the survey and 60 minutes to participate in the focus group.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: The total estimated response time is 1,659.25 hours for the survey and 111.40 hours for the focus groups, for a total of 1,770.65 hours. See the table below for estimated total annual burden.

State	Respondent type	Type of instrument		Estimated number of respondents	Frequency of responses	Estimated total annual responses	Time per respondent (hours)	Annual burden hours
WA	SNAP participants and eligible non-participants.	Survey questionnaire.	Completed	1,606	1	1,606	0.333	534.80
			Attempted	394	1	394	0.050	19.70
WA	Eligible non-participants.	Focus group	Completed	50	1	50	1	50.00
			Attempted	13	1	13	0.050	0.65
NM	SNAP participants and eligible non-participants.	Survey questionnaire.	Completed	798	1	798	0.333	265.73
			Attempted	202	1	202	0.050	10.10
NM	Eligible non-participants.	Focus group	Completed	40	1	40	1	40.00
			Attempted	10	1	10	0.050	0.50
PA	SNAP participants and eligible non-participants.	Survey questionnaire.	Completed	2,399	1	2,399	0.333	798.87
			Attempted	601	1	601	0.050	30.05
PA	Eligible non-participants.	Focus group	Completed	20	1	20	1	20.00
			Attempted	5	1	5	0.050	0.25
Total				6,138		6,138		1,770.65

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Audrey Rowe,

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Characteristics and Circumstances of Zero-Income SNAP Households

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 this proposed information collection. This collection is a new collection for the Food and Nutrition Service to examine the characteristics, circumstances, program dynamics, and benefit redemption patterns of participants whose households reported zero gross income in their applications for participation in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP).

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received on or before October 11, 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 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 that were used; and (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected.

Written comments may be sent to: Steven Carlson, Office of Research and Analysis, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1014, Alexandria, VA 22302. Comments may also be submitted via fax to the attention of Steven Carlson at (703) 305-2576 or via e-mail to Steve.Carlson@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 1014, Alexandria, Virginia 22302.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Steven Carlson at 703-305-2017. Information requests submitted through e-mail should refer to the title of this proposal and/or the OMB approval number in the subject line.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: Characteristics and Circumstances of Zero-Income SNAP Households.

OMB Number:

Expiration Date of Approval: Not yet determined.

Type of Request: New collection.

Abstract: Recent data suggest that the percentage of zero-gross-income Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) units has been increasing steadily over the past decade, and increasing at a higher rate than the Nation's unemployment rate. FNS is seeking to carry out a study to examine the characteristics, circumstances, program dynamics, and benefit redemption patterns of these zero income SNAP households. The study will conduct 50 in-person, semi-structured interviews with heads of zero-gross income SNAP households, with a particular focus on working-age, able-bodied adults.

Estimate of Burden: Zero-Income Household Interviews: Public burden is estimated at 90 minutes for one response each with a total of 75 hours for 50 respondents.

Type of respondent	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Total annual responses	Average burden hours per response	Total annual hour burden
Adults (18-65 years old)	50	1	50	1.5	75

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Audrey Rowe,
Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Hiawatha East Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.
ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hiawatha East Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Kincheloe, Michigan. 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 is to review project proposals.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 25, 2011, and will begin at 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Chippewa County 911 Center, 4657 Industrial Park Drive, Kincheloe, MI. Written comments should be sent to Janel Crooks, Hiawatha National Forest,

2727 North Lincoln Road, Escanaba, MI 49829. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to HiawathaNF@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 906-789-3311.

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 Hiawatha National Forest, 2727 North Lincoln Road, Escanaba, MI. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 906-786-4062 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janel Crooks, RAC coordinator, USDA, Hiawatha National Forest, 2727 North Lincoln Road, Escanaba, Michigan 49862; (906) 786-4062; e-mail HiawathaNF@fs.fed.us.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. The following business will be conducted: (1) Discuss options for monitoring approved projects, (2) Review budget, if received at that time, and (3) 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.

Dated: August 1, 2011.
Stevan J. Christiansen,
Designated Federal Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

White Pine-Nye Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.
ACTION: Notice of meeting cancellation.

SUMMARY: The White Pine-Nye Resource Advisory Committee meeting scheduled in Eureka, Nevada has been cancelled. 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 of the Act.