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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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August 17, 2012.

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Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Nutrition Assistance in Farmers' Markets: Understanding Shipping Patterns.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0564.

Summary of Collection: The USDA, Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), is pursuing initiatives to improve access to healthy foods among nutrition assistance program clients. Among these are steps to support access to fresh fruits and vegetables through farmers' markets. The overall objective of this collection is to promote opportunities for nutrition assistance program clients to take advantage of farmers' markets. In order to meet this objective, FNS needs to examine the reasons behind the shopping decision at farmers' markets among recipients of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits. FNS will conduct a survey with SNAP participants who purchase food in a catchment area around a nationally representative sample of farmers' markets that redeemed at least \$1,000 of SNAP benefits from July 2010 through June 2011. The collection is authorized under Section 17 (7 U.S.C. 2026) (a)(1) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008

Need and Use of the Information: The objectives of this study are to: (1) Understand the shopping patterns of the SNAP participants redeeming benefits at farmers' markets, (2) understanding why some SNAP households do not shop at farmers' markets, (3) understanding the characteristics of the farmers' markets serving the participants surveyed. The information gathered in the survey and focus groups will be used by FNS to understand the facilitators and barriers for SNAP participants to shop at farmers' markets. If the information collection is not conducted, USDA/FNS will be unable to improve its understanding of what factors influence SNAP shoppers' decisions to shop at farmers' markets, in order to identify policy changes that could attract program participants to healthier and fresher foods.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 8,468.

Frequency of Responses: Report: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 21,207.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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Foreign Agricultural Service

Title: CCC's Export Credit Guarantee Program (GSM-102).

OMB Control Number: 0551-0004.

Summary of Collection: The Export Credit Guarantee Program (GSM-102) is administered by the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. This program provides guarantees to exporters in order to maintain and increase overseas importers ability to purchase U.S. agricultural goods. The Export Credit Guarantee Program underwrites credit extended by U.S. private banks to approved foreign banks using dollar-denominated, irrevocable letters of credit. The Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) will collect information from the guarantee application submitted by the participants in writing (via fax or email) or mail.

Need and Use of the Information: FAS will collect information from participating U.S. exporters in order to determine the exporter's eligibility for program benefits. The information is also used in fulfilling CCC obligation under the issued payment guarantee. If the information were not collected CCC would be unable to determine if export sales under the program would be eligible for coverage or, if coverage conformed to program requirements.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 73.

Frequency of Responses: Record keeping, Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 2,555.

Foreign Agricultural Service

Title: Foreign Market Development Cooperator Program (FMD) and Market Access Program (MAP).

OMB Control Number: 0551-0026.

Summary of Collection: The basic authority for the Foreign Market Development Cooperator Program (FMD) is contained in Title VII of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978, 7 U.S.C. 5721, et seq. Program regulations appear at 7 CFR Part 1484. Title VII directs the Secretary of Agriculture to "establish and, in cooperation with eligible trade organization, carry out a foreign market development cooperator program to maintain and develop foreign markets for United States agricultural commodities and products." The primary objective of the Market Access Program (MAP) is to encourage the development, maintenance, and expansion of commercial export markets for U.S. agricultural products through

cost-share assistance to eligible trade organizations that implement a foreign market development program. The programs are administered by personnel of the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS).

Need and Use of the Information: The collected information will be used by FAS to manage, plan, evaluate, and account for government resources. Specifically, data is used to assess the extent to which: Applicant organizations represent U.S. commodity interests; benefits derived from market development effort will translate back to the broadest possible range of beneficiaries; the market development efforts will lead to increases in consumption and imports of U.S. agricultural commodities; the applicant is able and willing to commit personnel and financial resources to assure adequate development, supervision and execution of project activities; and private organizations are able and willing to support the promotional program with aggressive marketing of the commodity in question. Without the collected information the program could not be implemented.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 71.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 93,746.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Virginia Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Virginia Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Roanoke, Virginia. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 112-141) (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the U.S. Forest Service concerning projects consistent with title II of the Act. The meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the meeting is for the committee to prioritize and recommend projects for funding.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 14, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. An alternate meeting is planned for September 21, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. This alternate meeting will only be held if needed.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the George Washington and Jefferson National Forests Supervisor's Office conference room at 5162 Valleypointe Parkway, Roanoke, Virginia 24019. Written comments may be submitted as described under Supplementary Information. 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 the George Washington and Jefferson National Forest Supervisor's Office. Please call ahead to 540-265-5100 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Williams, Public Affairs Specialist, Supervisor's Office, 540-265-5173, mrwilliams04@fs.fed.us.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the committee may file written statements with the committee staff before or after the meeting. The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should request in writing by September 7, 2012 to be scheduled on the agenda. Written comments and requests for time for oral comments must be sent to Michael Williams, Public Affairs Specialist, George Washington and Jefferson National Forests Supervisor's Office at 5162 Valleypointe Parkway, Roanoke, Virginia 24019; by email to mrwilliams04@fs.fed.us; or via facsimile to 540-265-5145. A summary of the meeting will be available within 21 days of the meeting. Contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** to obtain meeting summary.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices or other reasonable accommodation for access to the facility or proceedings by