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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

October 1, 2012.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments regarding (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395–5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250–7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720–8958.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Food and Nutrition Service
Title: Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children Breastfeeding Policy Inventory
OMB Control Number: 0584–NEW.
Summary of Collection: The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111–296, Sec. 305) mandates programs under its authorization to cooperate with U.S. Department of Agriculture program research and evaluation activities. The mandate applies to Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) agencies. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is requesting approval to conduct the WIC Local Agency Breastfeeding Policy and Practice Inventory. WIC provides supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education to nutritionally at-risk, low-income pregnant women, new mothers, their infants, and children up to age five.

Research has shown that there is no better food than breast milk for a baby’s first year of life. Breastfeeding provides many health, nutritional, economic, and emotional benefits to both mother and baby. FNS will collect information using a self-administered Web-based survey of all State and local WIC agencies.

Need and use of the information: The information collected from the survey will obtain a census of (1) all measures of breastfeeding that State and local WIC agencies currently collect, including their definitions and methods of collection, as well as the most recent values of those measures; (2) the data system agencies use to store and process breastfeeding data and the types of information they report to other agencies or external organizations; and (3) breastfeeding policies and practices at State and local WIC agencies. Without the information FNS will not have a comprehensive assessment of the types of breastfeeding measures that State and local WIC agencies collect, the range of breastfeeding policies and practices agencies offer, and the type of data systems and reporting that agencies use for breastfeeding data storage and processing.

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

Number of Respondents: 2,090.
Frequency of Responses: Report: Other (one time).
Total Burden Hours: 4,178.

Ruth Brown, Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Economics and Statistics Administration

Bureau of Economic Analysis Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Economic Analysis. 
ACTION: Notice of public meeting.


DATES: Friday, November 16, 2012 the meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Bureau of Economic Analysis at 1441 L St. NW., Washington, DC.


Public Participation: This meeting is open to the public. Because of security procedures, anyone planning to attend the meeting must contact Gianna Marrone of BEA at (202) 606–9633 in advance. The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for foreign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Gianna Marrone at (202) 606–9633.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established September 2, 1999. The Committee advises the Director of BEA on matters related to the development and improvement of BEA’s
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Executive-Led Trade Mission to South Africa and Zambia

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Amends to Revise the Dates and Provide for Selection of Applicants on a Rolling Basis:

Background

Recruitment for this Mission began in May 2012. Due to summer holidays, it has been determined that additional time is needed to allow for additional recruitment and marketing in support of the mission. Applications will now be accepted through October 12, 2012 (and after that date if space remains and scheduling constraints permit), interested U.S. agriculture, mining, transportation, water, energy and infrastructure firms and trade organizations which have not already submitted an application are encouraged to do so.

Amendments

For the reasons stated above, the Timeframe for Recruitment and Applications section of the Notice of the Executive-Led Trade Mission to South Africa and Zambia. Recruitment for this mission will conclude no later than September 21, 2012. The U.S. Department of Commerce will review applications and make selection decisions on a rolling basis beginning August 5, 2012. We will inform all applicants of selection decisions no later than October 26, 2012. Applications received after the October 12, 2012 deadline will be considered only if space and scheduling constraints permit.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Frank Spector, Office of Domestic Operations, Trade Promotion Programs, Phone: 202–482–2034; Fax: 202–482–9000. Email: Frank.Spector@trade.gov.

Frank Spector, Senior International Trade Specialist.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XC268

Marine Mammals; File No. 16239

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dan Engelhaup, Ph.D., HDR EOC, 5700 Lake Wright Drive, Norfolk, VA 23502–1859, has applied in due form for a permit to conduct research on cetaceans and pinnipeds in the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or email comments must be received on or before November 5, 2012.

ADDRESS: The application and related documents are available for review by selecting “Records Open for Public Comment” from the Features box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov/ and then selecting File No. 16239 from the list of available applications. These documents are also available upon written request or by appointment in the following offices: See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

Written comments on this application should be submitted to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, at the address listed above. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (301) 713–0376, or by email to NMFS, Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include the File No. in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division at the address listed above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kristy Beard or Joseyld Garcia-Reyes, (301) 427–8401.


The purpose of the proposed research is to study: (1) Presence/absence of marine mammals in U.S. Naval exercise, proposed energy and construction areas; (2) movement patterns of marine mammal species most at risk; and (3) population structure based on a variety of parameters for marine mammals occupying waters shared with the U.S. Navy, renewable energy industry, and pier-based industries requiring construction activities. All species of cetaceans and pinnipeds would be harassed during vessel and aerial surveys, including photo-identification. Cetacean species would be harassed during underwater photography. Surveys would be conducted year-round in all U.S. and international waters in the Pacific Ocean (including Alaska, Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii, Guam, Marinas Islands, and other U.S. territories) and Atlantic Ocean (including the Gulf of Mexico, western North Atlantic, Caribbean Sea, and Sargasso Seas). The permit would be valid for five years.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement. Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, NMFS is forwarding copies of the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors. Documents may be reviewed in the following locations: