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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Notice of October 15 Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD) Meeting

AGENCY: United States Agency for International Development.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of the public meeting of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD).

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2013.

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Location: Downtown Des Moines Marriott, 700 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa.

Agenda

The public business meeting will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. with opening remarks by BIFAD Chair Brady Deaton. The Board will address both old and new business during this time and will hear from USAID, the university community and other experts on progress and mechanisms for advancing programming in agricultural research and capacity development. During the business session the BIFAD will host a panel of key authors who will discuss trends in funding for Global Agricultural Research and Development and Innovation, moderated by BIFAD member Catherine Bertini. The BIFAD then will receive updates from USAID on its Feed the Future Innovation Labs and the Higher Education Solutions Network in a panel moderated by BIFAD member Marty McVey. The BIFAD chair will present the reinstated 'BIFAD Award for Scientific Excellence in a USAID Collaborative Research Support Program.' Additional time for public comment will be allowed following the award. At 12:15, the BIFAD will adjourn for lunch followed by afternoon panel sessions.

In the afternoon starting promptly at 2:00 p.m. the BIFAD Chair Brady Deaton and Julie Borlaug from Texas A&M will make opening remarks to convene the first of four panels focused on Human and Institutional Capacity Development (HICD) in Agricultural Research; Agricultural Training and Education; Extension; Policy, Agribusiness and Open Data; and Exploration of Capacity Development Opportunities with the Private Sector and Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs). Time will be allowed for public comment. These panels will be followed by a poster session and reception hosted by the U.S. Agency for International Development and BIFAD. The central theme of this year's meeting will be "*Human and Institutional Capacity Development.*"

Dr. Brady Deaton, BIFAD Chair and Chancellor of the University of Missouri at Columbia, will preside over the meeting.

Stakeholders

Those wishing to attend the meeting or obtain additional information about BIFAD contact Susan Owens, Executive Director and Designated Federal Officer for BIFAD. Interested persons may write to her in care the U.S. Agency for International Development, Ronald Reagan Building, Bureau for Food Security, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Room 2.09-067, Washington, DC, 20523-2110 or telephone her at (202) 712-0218.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Susan Owens, Executive Director and Designated Federal Officer for BIFAD.

Dated: September 17, 2013.

Susan Owens,

Executive Director and Designated Federal Officer for BIFAD, U.S. Agency for International Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2013-0069]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Requirements for Poultry and Hatching Eggs for Export

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 the export of poultry and hatching eggs from the United States.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before November 22, 2013.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=APHIS-2013-0069-0001>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2013-0069, 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/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2013-0069> 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) 799-7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the export of poultry and hatching eggs from the United States, contact Dr. Antonio Ramirez, Senior Staff Veterinarian, NCIE, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 40, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851-3355. 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: Requirements for Poultry and Hatching Eggs for Export.

OMB Number: 0579-0048.

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

Abstract: Under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), among other things, collects information and conducts inspections to ensure that poultry and hatching eggs exported from the United States are free of communicable diseases.

The export of agricultural commodities, including poultry and hatching eggs, is a major business in the United States and contributes to a favorable balance of trade. Receiving countries have specific health requirements for poultry and hatching eggs exported from the United States. Most countries require a certification that our poultry and hatching eggs are free of diseases of concern to the receiving country. This certification generally must carry the USDA seal and be endorsed by an authorized APHIS veterinarian. In addition, APHIS requires owners and exporters of poultry and hatching eggs to provide health and identification information. Veterinary Services Form 17-6, Certificate for Poultry and Hatching Eggs for Export, is used to meet these requirements.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of this information collection activity 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 0.5 hours per response.

Respondents: Owners of poultry and hatching egg operations and exporters of poultry and hatching eggs.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 300.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 34.

Estimated annual number of responses: 10,200.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 5,100 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual 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 17th day of September 2013.

Michael C. Gregoire,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2013-0080]

Notice of Request for Approval of an Information Collection; National Animal Health Monitoring System; Cervid 2014 Study

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: New 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 approval of a new information collection for the National Animal Health Monitoring System's Cervid 2014 Study to support the farmed cervid industry in the United States.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before November 22, 2013.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!documentDetail;D=APHIS-2013-0080-0001>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2013-0080, 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/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2013-0080> 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) 799-7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the Cervid 2014 Study, contact Mr. Chris Quatrano, Industry Analyst, Centers for Epidemiology and Animal Health, VS, APHIS, 2150 Centre Avenue, Building B MS 2E7, Fort Collins, CO 80526; (970) 494-7207. 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: National Animal Health Monitoring System; Cervid 2014 Study.

OMB Number: 0579-XXXX.

Type of Request: Approval of a new information collection.

Abstract: Under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is authorized, among other things, to protect the health of U.S. livestock and poultry populations by preventing the introduction and interstate spread of serious diseases and pests of livestock and by eradicating such diseases from the United States when feasible. In connection with this mission, APHIS operates the National Animal Health Monitoring System (NAHMS), which collects nationally representative, statistically valid, and scientifically sound data on the prevalence and economic importance of livestock diseases and associated risk factors.

NAHMS' national studies are a collaborative industry and Government initiative to help determine the most effective means of preventing and controlling diseases of livestock. APHIS is the only agency responsible for collecting national data on livestock health.

APHIS plans to conduct a Cervid 2014 Study to obtain baseline information