

authorized demonstration projects to develop and test methods of providing access to food for low-income children in urban and rural areas during the summer months when schools are not in regular sessions, as well as a rigorous independent evaluation of the projects regarding their effectiveness. The Summer Electronic Benefits for Children (SEBTC) Household-Based Demonstration on Food Insecurity carries out the demonstration projects Congress directed USDA to perform in this section of the Act.

Need and Use of the Information: The 2014 evaluation of SEBTC has two broad objectives (1) to describe the receipt and use of the benefits and (2) to describe the implementation of the SEBTC in terms of approaches used and the challenges and lessons learned during the demonstrations. If this study is not conducted, the Food and Nutrition Service will not have the data necessary to examine how the demonstration sites implemented SEBTC and how the benefits were used by households in 2014, which will be used to produce the required report to Congress and inform future program decisions.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 18.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 16.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

March 19, 2014.

The Department of Agriculture will submit the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. 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), New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC; New Executive Office Building, 725—17th Street NW., Washington, DC, 20503. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: *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 by April 23, 2014. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP).

OMB Control Number: 0581-0235.

Summary of Collection: The purposes of the Farmers Market Promotion Program (FMPP) are to increase domestic consumption of agricultural commodities by improving and expanding, assisting in the improvement and expansion, and to develop or aid in the development of new domestic farmers' markets, roadside stands, community-supported agriculture programs, and other direct producer-to-consumer infrastructure. The Farmer-to-Consumer Marketing Act of 1976 (Act) directs USDA to encourage the direct marketing of agricultural commodities from farmers to consumers, and to promote the development and expansion of direct marketing of agricultural commodities from farmers to consumers. The recently authorized Farmer's Market Promotion Program (FMPP) (7 U.S.C. 3005), Section 6 of 7 U.S.C. 3004 directs the Secretary of Agriculture to "carry out a program to make grants to eligible entities for projects to establish, expand, and promote farmers' markets."

Need and Use of the Information: The Agricultural Marketing Service will review grant application information to determine eligibility of applicants for participation in FMPP, evaluate goals, objectives, work-plans, expected results and budget for the project.

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

Number of Respondents: 1,500.

Frequency of Responses:

Recordkeeping; Reporting: One time.

Total Burden Hours: 20,988.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Notice of Solicitation of Members to the National Genetic Research Advisory Council

AGENCY: Research, Education, and Economics, USDA.

ACTION: Solicitation of members.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 (7 U.S.C.A. 5843), the United States Department of Agriculture announces the solicitation for nominations to fill four vacancies on the National Genetic Resources Advisory Council.

DATES: All nomination materials should be mailed in a single, complete package and postmarked or sent electronically by May 30, 2014.

ADDRESSES: All nomination packages must be sent to: Thomas Vilsack, Secretary, U.S. Department of Agriculture; 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-2255, Attn: National Genetics Research Advisory Council, Room 3901, South Building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michele Esch, Executive Director, National Genetics Research Advisory Council, Room 3901, South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250-0321 Telephone: 202-720-3684. Fax: 202-720-6199, or email: *Michele.esch@usda.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board is composed of 9 members. The NGRAC was re-established in 2012 as a permanent subcommittee of the National Agricultural Research,

Extension, Education, and Economics (NAREEE) Advisory Board to formulate recommendations on actions and policies for the collection, maintenance, and utilization of genetic resources; to make recommendations for coordination of genetic resources plans of several domestic and international organizations; and to advise the Secretary of Agriculture and the National Genetic Resources Program (NGRP) Director of new and innovative approaches to genetic resources conservation. The NGRAC will advise the Department on ways to ensure that the NGRP serves the needs of all farmers for high-quality and diverse seed (both conventionally bred and genetically engineered) for their particular farming operations. The NGRAC will also advise the department on developing a broad strategy for maintaining plant biodiversity available to agriculture, and strengthening public sector plant breeding capacities.

The terms of 4 members of the NGRAC expired on September 30, 2013. Nominations for a 4-year appointment, effective October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2017, for these 4 vacant positions are sought. The NGRAC membership is required to have two-thirds of the appointed members from scientific disciplines relevant to the NGRP including agricultural sciences, environmental sciences, natural resource sciences, health sciences, and nutritional sciences; and one-third of the appointed members from the general public including leaders in fields of public policy, trade, international development, law, or management. The 4 slots to be filled are to be composed of 3 scientific members and 1 general public member. All nominees will be carefully reviewed for their expertise, leadership, and relevance. All nominees will be vetted before selection.

Individuals and organizations who wish to nominate experts for this or any other USDA advisory committee should submit a letter to the Secretary listing these individuals' names and business address, phone, and email contact information. These individuals may be contacted now or in the future to determine their interest in serving as a committee member.

Candidates who wish to be considered for membership on the National Genetic Research Advisory Council *must* submit an AD-755, "Advisory Committee Membership Background Information," application form and their resume to the Secretary of Agriculture. Cover letters should be addressed to the Secretary of Agriculture. The application form and more information about advisory

committees can be found at www.usda.gov/advisory_committees.xml.

Nominations are open to *all* individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, mental or physical handicap, marital status, or sexual orientation. To ensure the recommendations of the Advisory Board take into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent all racial and ethnic groups, geographical areas, women and men, and persons with disabilities.

Appointments to the National Genetic Research Advisory Council will be made by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Done at Washington, DC this 10th day of March 2014.

Ann Bartuska,

Deputy Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2013-0105]

Notice of Availability of Evaluations of the Foot-and-Mouth Disease and Rinderpest Status of a Region of Patagonia, Argentina

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are extending the comment period for our notice that announced our determination that a region of Argentina, consisting of the areas of Patagonia South and Patagonia North B, is free of foot-and-mouth disease. In that notice we also announced the availability of an evaluation assessing the rinderpest status of South America, which includes Argentina, and our determination, based on our evaluation, that rinderpest is not present in the entirety of Argentina. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: The comment period for the notice published on January 23, 2014 (79 FR 3775) is extended. We will consider all comments that we receive on or before April 23, 2014.

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

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#/documentDetail;D=APHIS-2013-0105-0001>.

• Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2013-0105, 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-2013-0105> 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: Dr. Silvia Kreindel, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Regionalization Evaluation Services, National Import Export Services, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 38, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; (301) 851-3308.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 23, 2014, we published in the **Federal Register** (79 FR 3775-3777, Docket No. APHIS-2013-0105) a notice announcing the availability of our evaluation of the foot-and-mouth disease status of a region of Argentina, consisting of the areas of Patagonia South and Patagonia North B, as well as an evaluation assessing the rinderpest status of South America, for public review and comment.

Comments on the notice were required to be received on or before March 24, 2014. We are extending the comment period on Docket No. APHIS-2013-0105 for an additional 30 days. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 450, 7701-7772, 7781-7786, and 8301-8317; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

Done in Washington, DC, this 19th day of March 2014.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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