interstate movement of regulated articles from the quarantined area. This action is necessary to prevent the spread of the PCN via potatoes, soil, and other host material to non-infested areas of the United States.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information using certificates, limited permits, compliance agreements, self-certification, appeal of withdrawn certificate or limited permit, appeal of withdrawn compliance agreement, and labeling to prevent the spread of PCN and to ensure that regulated articles can be moved safely from the quarantined area without spreading PCN. If APHIS did not collect this information, the spread of PCN in the United States could result in a loss of United States potatoes and other commodities from domestic and/or foreign markets.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 123.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 445.

Ruth Brown,
Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Establishment of Divided Mountain Purchase Unit, Grayson County, Virginia

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On September 26, 2017 the Under Secretary of Natural Resources and the Environment created the Divided Mountain Unit. This purchase unit comprises 112.3 acres within Grayson County, Virginia. A legal description of lands within the purchase unit appears at the end of this notice.

APPLICABLE DATE: The Forest Service established this purchase unit on September 26, 2017.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the map showing the purchase unit is on file and available for public inspection in the Office of the Director, Lands Staff, First Floor-Southeast, Sidney R. Yates Federal Building, Forest Service, USDA, 201 14th Street SW, Washington, DC 20250, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on business days. Those wishing to inspect the map are encouraged to call ahead to (202) 205–1248 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin Heikkila, Acting Director of Lands and Realty Management, by phone at 202–205–2818. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Divided Mountain Project, legally described below, will provide additional road access into Cherokee National Forest and additional access to Pond Mountain State Game Lands. State game lands allow for recreational opportunities such as hiking, fishing, hunting, and cross country skiing.

Acquisition of the Divided Mountain Tract will provide opportunities to extend these activities into the National Forest while conserving high-elevation open space, mitigating wildfire risks, protecting streams and water quality, and protecting the nearby Rogers Ridge Scenic Area viewed.

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being situated in the Wilson Magisterial District of Grayson County, Virginia, being described as Tax Map No. 60–A–1A, being the same tract conveyed to The Conservation Fund by Warranty Deed signed September 16, 2016, and recorded on September 23, 2016, in Deed Book 599, Pages 589–591 Grayson County, Virginia Circuit Court Clerk Office; this Tract is identified as the portion of United States of America Tract U–1601 situated in Virginia. Bound on the West by the Tennessee State Line (USA Tract U–1601), on the North by Robert Russell, on the East by Joseph Dalia, and on the South by the North Carolina State Line; Bearings are oriented to Tennessee State Plane grid north,

Beginning on Corner 1 of USA Tract U–1601, the common corner to the States of Tennessee, Virginia and North Carolina, which is also Corner 1 of USA Tract U–137, being monumented by a brass disk in a large rock;

Thence with the North Carolina State Line, N 86°49′30″ W, 4183.72 feet to Corner 1 of USA Tract U–1601, the POINT OF BEGINNING, containing 112.304 acres more or less, with the bearings, distances and acres here described being as shown on the plat of survey titled “PROPERTY OF LOWELL K. HENSLEY AND BERNICE HENSLEY TO BE CONVEYED TO THE CONSERVATION FUND” as drawn by Addison Surveyors recorded in Deed Book 599, page 591 Grayson County, Virginia Circuit Court Clerk Office.

End of Description

Dated: July 13, 2018.

Gregory C. Smith,
Acting Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice of Intent To Extend a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and Agriculture, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, this notice announces the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) intention to request approval for an extension of the currently approved information collection for the NIFA proposal review process.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by October 1, 2018, to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning this notice and requests for copies of the information collection may be submitted by any of the following methods: Email: rmartin.usda.gov; Fax: 202–720–0857; Mail: Office of Information Technology (OIT), NIFA, USDA, STOP 2216, 1400 Independence
Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–2216.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Robert Martin, eGovernment Program Leader; Phone Number: 202–445–5388; Email: rmartin@nifa.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: NIFA Proposal Review Process. OMB Number: 0524–0041.
Expiration Date of Current Approval: 10/31/2018.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection for three years.

Abstract: The National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) is responsible for performing a review of proposals submitted to NIFA competitive award programs in accordance with section 103(a) of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, 7 U.S.C. 7613(a). Reviews are undertaken to ensure that projects supported by NIFA are of high quality, and are consistent with the goals and requirements of the funding program.

Proposals submitted to NIFA undergo a programmatic evaluation to determine worthiness of Federal support. The evaluations consist of a peer panel review and may also entail an assessment by Federal employees and electronically submitted (ad-hoc) reviews in the Peer Review System.

Need and Use of the Information: The information collected from the evaluations is used to support NIFA grant programs. NIFA uses the results of the proposal evaluation to determine whether a proposal should be declined or recommended for award. When NIFA has rendered a decision, copies of reviews, excluding the names of the reviewers, and summaries of review panel deliberations, if any, are provided to the submitting Project Director.

Given the highly technical nature of many of these proposals, the quality of the peer review greatly depends on the appropriate matching of the subject matter of the proposal with the technical expertise of the potential reviewer. In order to obtain this information, an electronic questionnaire is used to collect information about potential panel and ad-hoc reviewers. If the reviewer is already in our database, the questionnaire asks potential reviewers to update their basic biographical information including address, contact information, professional expertise, and their availability to review for NIFA in the future. If the reviewer is new, they are prompted to complete the questionnaire. This information has been invaluable in the NIFA review process, which has been recognized by the grantee and grantor community for its quality.

The applications and associated materials made available to reviewers, as well as the discussions that take place during panel review meetings are strictly confidential and are not to be disclosed to or discussed with anyone who has not been officially designated to participate in the review process.

While each panelist certifies at the time of preparing a review they do not have a conflict-of-interest with a particular application and will maintain its confidentiality in the Peer Review System, a certification of their intent at the time of the panel review proceedings is collected to emphasize and reinforce confidentiality not only of applications and reviews but also panel discussions. On the Conflict-of-Interest and Confidentiality Certification Form, the panelist affirms they understand the conflict-of-interest guidelines and will not be involved in the review of the application(s) where a conflict exists. The panelist also affirms their intent to maintain the confidentiality of the panel process and not disclose to another individual any information related to the peer review or use any information for personal benefit.

Estimate of Burden: NIFA estimates that anywhere from one hour to twenty hours may be required to review a proposal. It is estimated that approximately five hours are required to review an average proposal. Each proposal receives an average of four reviews, accounting for an annual burden of 20 hours. NIFA estimates it receives 4,600 competitive applications each year. The total annual burden on reviewers is 92,000 hours.

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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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (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.

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

Done in Washington, DC, on July 24, 2018.

Thomas Shanower,
Acting Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Bureau of the Census
Census Scientific Advisory Committee
Public Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) is giving notice of a meeting of the Census Scientific Advisory Committee (CSAC). The Committee will address policy, research, and technical issues relating to a full range of Census Bureau programs and activities, including communications, decennial, demographic, economic, field operations, geographic, information technology, and statistics. The CSAC will meet in a plenary session on September 13–14, 2018. Last minute changes to the schedule are possible, which could prevent giving advance public notice of schedule adjustments. Please visit the Census Advisory Committees website for the most current meeting agenda at: http://www.census.gov/cac/. The meeting will be available via webcast at: https://www.census.gov/newsroom/census-live.html. Topics of discussion will include:

- 2020 Census Program Update
- 2018 End-to-End Test Update
- Administrative Records Update
- Efforts to Modernize Disclosure Limitation Update

DATES: September 13–14, 2018. On Thursday, September 13, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 5:00 p.m. On Friday, September 14, the meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at approximately 2:00 p.m.