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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

December 19, 2018.

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 are requested regarding (1) 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) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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.

Comments regarding this information collection received by January 28, 2019 will be considered. Written comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street NW, Washington, DC 20502. 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. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720–8958.

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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.

Rural Business Cooperative Service

Title: Strategic Economic and Community Development.

OMB Control Number: 0570–0068.

Summary of Collection: As authorized under the Agricultural Act of 2014 (2014 Farm Bill), Section 6025, Strategic Economic and Community Development enables the Secretary of Agriculture to provide priority to projects that support Strategic Economic and Community Development plans. The Agency will reserve up to 10 percent of the funds appropriated to the following seven Rural Development programs (which are referred to as the “underlying programs”): Community Facility Grants; Community Facility Guaranteed Loans; Community Facility Direct Loans; Water and Waste Disposal Loans and Grants; Water and Waste Disposal Guaranteed Loans; Business and Industry Guaranteed Loans and Rural Business Development Grants each fiscal year.

Need and Use of the Information: To be eligible for the reserved funds a project must meet three criteria: Projects must first be eligible for funding under the underlying program from which funds are reserved; carried out solely in rural areas and that the project support the implementation of a strategic economic development or community development plan on a multi-jurisdictional basis as defined in 7 CFR 1980.1005. Applicants will submit information on the Application Form 1980–88, the Plan that the project supports, and the project's measures, metrics and outcome. The collection of information is necessary for the Agency to identify projects eligible for the reserved funding under the Section 6025 program and to prioritize eligible applications.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 339.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 3,040.

Kimble Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Citrus Greening and Asian Citrus Psyllid; Quarantine and Interstate Movement Regulations.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0363.

Summary of Collection: The Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701 *et seq.*) authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture either independently or in cooperation with the States, to carry out operations or measures to detect, eradicate, suppress, control, prevent, or retard the spread of plant pests (such as citrus canker) new or widely distributed throughout the United States. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) amended the “Domestic Quarantine Notices” in 7 CFR part 301 by adding a new subpart, “Citrus Greening and Asian Citrus Psyllid (ACP)” (§§ 301.76 through 301.76–11). Citrus greening, also known as Huanglonghing disease of citrus, is considered to be one of the most serious citrus diseases in the world.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information using the following activity to address the risk associated with the interstate movement of citrus nursery stock and other regulated articles from areas quarantined for citrus greening: Limit Permit (PPO Form 530), Federal Certificate (PPO Form 540), Compliance Agreement (PPO Form 519), Label Statement, Recordkeeping, Attaching Tag to Bill of Lading, Cancellation of Certificates, Permits, and Compliance Agreements, 72 Hour Notification of Inspection, and Emergency Action Notification. Failing to collect this information could cause a severe economic loss to the citrus industry.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 639.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 2,021.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2018–0081]

Notice of Request for Reinstatement of an Information Collection; Prohibited, Restricted, and Controlled Importation of Animal and Poultry Products and By-Products Into the United States

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Reinstatement 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 the reinstatement of an information collection associated with the prohibited, restricted, and controlled importation of animal and poultry products and by-products into the United States.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before February 25, 2019.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2018-0081>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2018–0081, 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-2018-0081> 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 prohibited, restricted, and controlled importation of animal and poultry products and by-products into the United States, contact Dr. Magde S. Elshafie, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Strategy and Policy, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 40, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851–3332. For more detailed information on the information collection, contact Ms. Kimberly Hardy, APHIS’ Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851–2483.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Prohibited, Restricted, and Controlled Importation of Animal and Poultry Products and By-Products into the United States.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0015.

Type of Request: Reinstatement of an information collection.

Abstract: The Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*) is the primary Federal law governing the protection of animal health. The law gives the Secretary of Agriculture broad authority to detect, control, or eradicate pests or diseases of livestock or poultry. The Secretary may also prohibit or restrict import or export of any animal or related material if necessary to prevent the spread of any livestock or poultry pest or disease.

Disease prevention is the most effective method for maintaining a healthy animal population and for enhancing the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service’s (APHIS) ability to compete globally in animal and animal product and by-product trade. In connection with this mission, APHIS enforces regulations regarding the importation of controlled materials and the prevention of foreign animal disease incursions into the United States. These regulations can be found in 9 CFR parts 94, 95, and 122. APHIS engages in a number of information collection activities to prevent or control the spread of livestock diseases via the prohibited, restricted, and controlled importation of animal and poultry products and by-products into the United States, including, but not limited to, certificates, applications, agreements, appeals and cancellations of agreements, placards and statements, permissions to import, reports, notifications, government seals, and marking requirements.

In addition, to align with terminology used in the regulations, APHIS has revised the name of this information collection from “Restricted and Controlled Importation of Animal and Poultry Products and By-Products into the United States” to “Prohibited, Restricted, and Controlled Importation of Animal and Poultry Products and By-Products into the United States.”

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities, as described, for 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