

(*Pilosella* species), a significant invasive weed, within the contiguous United States. Based on our finding of no significant impact, we have determined that an environmental impact statement need not be prepared.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Hawkweeds are invasive weeds of moist pastures, forest meadows, and mountain rangelands with a moderate amount of moisture. Habitats most vulnerable to invasion include human-disturbed sites, such as roadsides and hayfields, and abandoned farmland. The following hawkweeds are considered noxious in many western States and are currently targets for biological control: *Pilosella flagellaris* (whiplash hawkweed), *Pilosella floribunda* (king devil hawkweed), *Pilosella glomerata* (queen devil or yellow devil hawkweed), *Pilosella officinarum* (mouse-ear hawkweed), and *Pilosella piloselloides* (tall hawkweed).

Cheilosia urbana is a very common and widespread hoverfly in Europe. The fly's potential range in North America is expected to match much of the distributions of the targeted *Pilosella* (hawkweed) species that occur in the northwestern United States and northeastern United States, including southwestern and southeastern Canada. Permitting the release of *Cheilosia urbana* is necessary to reduce the severity of invasive hawkweed infestations and economic losses since other alternatives are not effective or feasible.

On May 28, 2019, we published in the **Federal Register** (84 FR 24463, Docket No. APHIS-2019-0017) a notice¹ in which we announced the availability, for public review and comment, of an environmental assessment (EA) that examined the potential environmental impacts associated with the release of *Cheilosia urbana* for the biological control of invasive hawkweeds within the contiguous United States.

We solicited comments on the EA for 30 days ending June 27, 2019. We received eight comments by that date. Six of those comments were in favor of the release of the biological control agents. One comment was a general

comment against the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) but raised no substantive issues. One comment raised questions regarding impacts on native hawkweeds. This last comment is addressed in Appendix 6 of the final EA.

In this document, we are advising the public of our finding of no significant impact (FONSI) regarding the release of *Cheilosia urbana* for the biological control of invasive hawkweeds within the contiguous United States. The finding, which is based on the EA, reflects our determination that release of the *Cheilosia urbana* will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. Concurrent with this announcement, we will issue a permit for the release of *Cheilosia urbana* for the biological control of invasive hawkweeds.

The EA and FONSI may be viewed on the [Regulations.gov](http://www.Regulations.gov) website (see footnote 1). Copies of the EA and FONSI are also available for public inspection at USDA, Room 1141, South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Persons wishing to inspect copies are requested to call ahead on (202) 799-7039 to facilitate entry into the reading room. In addition, copies may be obtained by calling or writing to the individual listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

The EA and FONSI have been prepared in accordance with: (1) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*); (2) regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508); (3) USDA regulations implementing NEPA (7 CFR part 1b); and (4) APHIS' NEPA Implementing Procedures (7 CFR part 372).

Done in Washington, DC, this 17th day of September 2019.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2019-0060]

Notice of Request for an Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Interstate Movement of Certain Land Tortoises

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 regulations for the interstate movement of certain land tortoises.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before November 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-2019-0060>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2019-0060, 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-2019-0060> 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 land tortoises program, contact Dr. Alicia Marston, Staff Veterinary Medical Officer, Strategy & Policy, Veterinary Services, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 39, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851-3361. For more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mr. Joseph Moxey, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2483.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Interstate Movement of Certain Land Tortoises.

¹ To view the notice, supporting documents, and the comments we received, go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2019-0017>.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0156.

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 is authorized, among other things, to prohibit or restrict the interstate movement of animals and animal products to prevent the dissemination of animal diseases and pests within the United States.

The regulations in 9 CFR 93.701(c) prohibit the importation of the leopard tortoise, the African spurred tortoise, and the Bell's hingeback tortoise. APHIS implemented importation restrictions to prevent the introduction and spread of exotic ticks known to be vectors of heartwater disease, an acute, infectious disease of cattle and other ruminants. For leopard, African spurred, and Bell's hingeback tortoises already in the United States, the regulations in 9 CFR 74.1 allow for their interstate movement for sale, health care, adoption, or export to another country only if they are accompanied by a health certificate or certificate of veterinary inspection.

The health certificate or certificate of veterinary inspection must be signed by an accredited veterinarian, and must state that the tortoises have been examined by that veterinarian and found free of ticks within 30 days prior to movement. Animal owners may use one of several different types of health certificates that are issued at the State level. All documents request the same data, and any may be used and submitted to APHIS.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities 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 burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.5 hours per response.

Respondents: Accredited veterinarians, business owners, and individuals.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 50.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 5.

Estimated annual number of responses: 250.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 375 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 2019.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2019-0059]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Importation of Pork-Filled Pasta Products

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 regulations for the importation of pork-filled pasta products into the United States.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before November 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-2019-0059>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery*: Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2019-0059, 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-2019-0059> 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 regulations for the importation of pork-filled pasta products, contact Dr. Magde S. Elshafie, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Strategy & Policy, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 40, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851-3332. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mr. Joseph Moxey, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2483.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Importation of Pork-Filled Pasta Products.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0214.

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) is authorized, among other things, to prohibit or restrict the importation and interstate movement of animals, animal products, and other articles to prevent the introduction into and dissemination within the United States of animal diseases and pests. To fulfill this mission, APHIS regulates the importation of animals and animal products into the United States under the regulations in 9 CFR parts 91 through 99.

The regulations in 9 CFR part 94 (referred to below as the regulations) prohibit or restrict the importation of specified animals and animal products into the United States to prevent the introduction into the U.S. livestock population of certain contagious animal diseases, including swine vesicular disease (SVD). Section 94.12 of the regulations contains, among other things, specific processing, recordkeeping, and certification requirements for pork-filled pasta