

Field office	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	5-Year rolling average
Portland .....	4,645,754	5,175,459	4,643,241	2,530,648	3,331,672	4,065,355
Toledo .....	2,030,506	2,229,920	1,802,762	1,597,584	948,840	1,721,922

The local field office administrative costs for fiscal year 2020 and the fiscal year 2021 calculated local field office

tonnage fees, prior to the operating reserve review, are as follows:

Field office	FY 2020 Local administrative costs	Calculated FY 2021 local tonnage fee
New Orleans .....	\$1,209,886	\$0.019
League City .....	574,717	0.056
Portland .....	346,941	0.085
Toledo .....	238,162	0.138

**Operating reserve.** In order to maintain an operating reserve not less than 3 and not more than 6 months, FGIS reviewed the value of the operating reserve at the end of FY2020 to ensure that an operating reserve of 4½ months is maintained.

The program operating reserve at the end of fiscal year 2020 was \$10,007,544, with a monthly operating expense of \$2,983,133. The target of 4.5 months of operating reserve is \$13,424,097. Therefore, the operating reserve is less than 4.5 times the monthly operating expenses by \$3,416,553. For each \$1,000,000, rounded down, below the target level, all Schedule A fees must be increased by 2 percent. The operating reserve is \$3.4 million below the target level, resulting in a calculated 5 percent increase, as required by § 800.71(b)(2)(ii). Therefore, for 2021, FGIS is increasing all the 2020 Schedule A fees for service in Schedule A in paragraph (a)(1) by 5 percent. All Schedule A fees for service are rounded to the nearest \$0.10, except for fees based on tonnage or hundredweight. The fee Schedule A has been published on the agency's public website.

(Authority: 7 U.S.C. 71–87k.)

**Bruce Summers,**

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service**

[Docket No. APHIS-2020-0112]

**Notice of Request for Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Approval of Laboratories for Conducting Aquatic Animal Tests for Export Health Certificates**

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Revision to and 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 a revision to and extension of approval of an information collection associated with its efforts to certify certain laboratories that conduct aquatic animal testing for export activities.

**DATES:** We will consider all comments that we receive on or before March 9, 2021.

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

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to [http://www.regulations.gov/#!docket Detail;D=APHIS-2020-0112](http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2020-0112).

- **Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:** Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2020-0112, 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/#!docket Detail;D=APHIS-2020-0112> or in our

reading room, which is located in room 1620 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 conducting aquatic animal tests for export health certificates, contact Ms. Janet Warg, Microbiologist, Diagnostic Virology Laboratory, National Veterinary Services Laboratories, 1920 Dayton Avenue, P.O. Box 844, Ames, IA 50010; (515) 337-7551. For more information on the information collection process, contact Mr. Joseph Moxey, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2483.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Title:** Approval of Laboratories for Conducting Aquatic Animal Tests for Export Health Certificates.

**OMB Control Number:** 0579-0429.

**Type of Request:** Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection.

**Abstract:** The Animal Health Protection Act (AHPA, 7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*) is the primary Federal law governing the protection of animal health. The AHPA 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 enhancing the ability of U.S. producers to compete in the global market of

animal and animal product trade. To facilitate the export of U.S. animals and animal products, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture maintains information regarding the import health requirements of other countries for animals and animal products, including aquaculture animals, exported from the United States.

While APHIS does not currently require the approval or certification of laboratories that conduct disease tests for the export of aquaculture animals, some countries that import these animals from the United States require them to be tested for certain diseases and the test results recorded on the export certificates. In addition, the test results must originate from a laboratory approved by the competent authority of the exporting country, which is APHIS in this case. State, university, and private laboratories can voluntarily seek APHIS approval of individual diagnostic methods. Though APHIS does not have regulations for the approval or certification of laboratories that conduct tests for the export of aquaculture animals, APHIS provides this approval as a service to U.S. exporters who export aquaculture animals to countries that require this certification.

APHIS evaluates diagnostic methods for detecting aquatic animal pathogens listed by the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) in the OIE diagnostic manual and other supporting scientific literature. APHIS lists the laboratories approved to conduct diagnostic testing in support of export health certification of aquatic species at [https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal-health/lab\\_info\\_services/downloads/ApprovedLabs\\_Aquaculture.pdf](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal-health/lab_info_services/downloads/ApprovedLabs_Aquaculture.pdf). Once approved, the laboratories are inspected by APHIS every 2 years to maintain their approval.

The approval of laboratories to conduct tests for the export of aquaculture animals requires the use of certain information collection activities including notification of intent to request approval, application for APHIS approval, protocol statement, submission and recordkeeping of sample copies of diagnostic reports, quality assurance/control plans and their recordkeeping, notification of proposed changes to assay protocols, recordkeeping of supporting assay documentation, and request for removal of approved status.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information

collection activities, as described, 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 11.4 hours per response.

*Respondents:* State, university, and private laboratory personnel.

*Estimated annual number of respondents:* 8.

*Estimated annual number of responses per respondent:* 70.

*Estimated annual number of responses:* 560.

*Estimated total annual burden on respondents:* 6,382 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 4th day of January 2021.

**Mark Davidson,**

*Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2019-0068]

### Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment for Release of *Lilioceris egena* for Biological Control of Air Potato

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability.

**SUMMARY:** We are advising the public that the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) relative to permitting the release of an insect, *Lilioceris egena*, for the biological control of air potato (*Dioscorea bulbifera*). Based on the environmental assessment and other relevant data, we have reached a preliminary determination that the release of this control agent within the continental United States will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment. We are making the EA available to the public for review and comment.

**DATES:** We will consider all comments that we receive on or before February 8, 2021.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#/docketDetail;D=APHIS-2019-0068>.
- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2019-0068, 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-2019-0068> or in our reading room, which is located in room 1620 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. Colin D. Stewart, Assistant Director, Pests, Pathogens, and Biocontrol Permits, Permitting and Compliance Coordination, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737-1237; (301) 851-2327; [colin.stewart@usda.gov](mailto:colin.stewart@usda.gov).