the functions of the Secretary as provided in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.) and the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.). These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by ensuring that meat and poultry products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged. FSIS regulations establish a common or usual name for raw meat and poultry products that do not meet standard or identity regulations and to which solutions have been added. Products with added solutions are sometimes called referred to as “enhanced products.”

Need and use of the Information: FSIS requires establishments that manufacture products containing added solutions to label the products with a descriptive designation that provides an accurate description of the raw meat or poultry component, the percentage of added solution incorporated into the raw meat or poultry product, and the individual ingredients or multi-ingredient components in the solution listed in the descending order of predominance by weight on the product label. FSIS also requires that the product name and the descriptive designation be printed in a single easy-to-read type style and color and on a single-color contrasting background.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 6,100.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 61,000. 

Ruth Brown, 
Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer. 
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

March 4, 2021.

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: 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; the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 April 8, 2021 will be considered. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

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.

Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Repayment Demand and Program Disqualification.

OMB Control Number: 0584–0492.

Summary of Collection: Section 13(b) of the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, as amended (7 U.S.C. 2202(b)), and Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) regulations at 7 CFR 273.18(a)(2) require State agencies to initiate collection action. State agencies must provide an affected household with written notification informing the over-issued household of the claim and demanding repayment.

Need and Use of the Information: State agency personnel will collect the information from individuals collecting SNAP benefits. The State agencies must maintain all records associated with this collection for a period of three years so that FNS can review documentation during compliance reviews and other audits. Without the information, FNS would not be able to correct accidental or fraudulent overpayment errors in the SNAP Program.

Description of Respondents: 53 State, Local, or Tribal Government (SLT); 559,785 Individuals/Households (I/H).

Number of Respondents: 559,838.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting, Recordkeeping; On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 135,526.

Ruth Brown, 
Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer. 
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Forest Service
Information Collection; National Woodland Owner Survey

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the renewal of the National Woodland Owner Survey information collection.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before May 10, 2021 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Brett Butler, Research Forester, USDA Forest Service, 160 Holdsworth Way, Amherst, MA 01003. Comments may also be submitted by email to: brett.butler2@usda.gov. Comments submitted in response to this notice may be made available to the public through relevant websites and upon request. For this reason, please do not include in your comments information of a confidential nature, such as sensitive personal information or proprietary information. If you send an email comment, your email address will be automatically captured and included as part of the comment that is placed in the public docket and made available on the internet. Please note that responses to this public comment request containing any routine notice about the confidentiality of the communication will be treated as public comments that may be made available to the public notwithstanding the inclusion of the routine notice.

The public may request an electronic copy of the draft supporting statement and/or any comments received. Requests should be emailed to brett.butler2@usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brett Butler, Research Forester, Northern Research Station, 413–545–1397. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the hearing-impaired (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:
Title: National Woodland Owner Survey.
OMB Number: 0596–0078.
Type of Request: Information Collection Renewal.

Abstract: There are an estimated 823 million acres of forestland across the United States. Of this forestland, over half is owned by millions of corporations, families, individuals, and other private groups. Understanding the attitudes and behaviors of these private ownerships is critical for understanding the current and future state of the nation’s forests. The Forest Service conducts the National Woodland Owner Survey (NWOS) to increase our understanding of:

- Who owns and manages the forestland of the United States;
- Why they own/manage it;
- How they have used it; and
- How they intend to use it.

This information is used by policy analysts, foresters, educators, and researchers to facilitate planning and implementation of forest policies and programs.

The Forest Service’s direction and authority to conduct the NWOS is from the Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Research Act of 1978. These acts assign responsibility for inventory and assessment of forest and related renewable resources to the Secretary of Agriculture, and these responsibilities are subsequently delegated to the Forest Service. Additionally, the importance of an ownership survey in this inventory and assessment process has been highlighted in the 2014 Farm Bill, the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998, and the recommendations of the 1998 Second Blue Ribbon Panel on the Forest Inventory and Analysis program.


Information will be collected related to:

- The characteristics of the land holdings;
- Attitudes and perceptions of the owners and managers;
- Resource uses and management activities; and
- Where applicable, landowner demographics.

Separate survey instruments are being developed for rural and urban landowners. For rural landowners, a subset of ownerships will be sent survey instruments addressing the following topics, in addition to the core questions from the base survey instrument:

- Wildfires;
- Invasive species;
- Climate change;
- Land owner values; and
- Decision making.

The NWOS provides widely cited benchmarks for the number, extent, and characteristics of owners of forestland in the United States. These results have been used to assess the sustainability of forest resources at national, regional, and state levels; to implement and assess forest-land owner assistance programs; and to answer a variety of questions with topics ranging from forestland fragmentation to the economics of timber production. This is the only effort to collect in-depth information about owners of forestland at the national scale. It provides longitudinal data to track ownership trends and allows for comparisons across regions of the country.

The respondents will be a statistically selected group of individuals, families, partnerships, corporations, nonprofit organizations, and other private groups that own forestland in the United States. A well distributed, random set of sampling points has been established across the country. At each point, remotely sensed data, such as aerial photographs, will be used to identify forested points. For the forested points, public records will be used to identify the owners of record—the names and addresses of the landowners we will contact. The target number of respondents per state is 250 over the full, 2019–2023, data collection cycle.

The NWOS will utilize a mixed-mode survey technique involving cognitive interviews, focus groups, self-administered questionnaires, and telephone interviews. Cognitive interviews will be used to test specific questions. Focus groups will be used to provide more in-depth understanding of the responses and to explore new areas of inquiry.

Implementation of the self-administered survey will involve up to four contacts. First, a pre-notice postcard will be sent to all potential respondents describing this information collection and why the information is being collected. Second, a questionnaire with a cover letter and pre-paid return envelope will be sent to the potential respondents. The cover letter will reiterate the purpose of this information collection and provide respondents with all legally required information. Third, a reminder will be mailed to thank respondents and encourage non-respondents to reply. Those who have yet to respond will be sent a new questionnaire, cover letter, and pre-paid return envelope. The primary survey instrument will be paper forms with the option for completing the survey electronically online. Telephone interviews will be used for follow-up with non-respondents.

Forest Service researchers will coordinate all components of this information collection. Forest Service personnel with assistance provided by cooperators at the Family Forest Research Center located at the University of Massachusetts Amherst will conduct the mail portion of the survey, cognitive interviews, and focus groups. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service will conduct the telephone follow-ups. Data will be compiled and edited by Forest Service and Family Forest Research Center personnel. Forest Service researchers and cooperators will analyze the collected data. National, regional, and state-level results will be publicly available and electronically distributed.

This information collection will generate scientifically-based, statistically-reliable, up-to-date information about the owners of forestland in the United States. Results of these efforts will provide more reliable information on this important and dynamic segment of the United States population, thus facilitating more complete assessments of the country’s forestland resources and improved planning and implementation of forestry programs on state, regional, and national levels.

Affected Public: Individuals and Households and the Private Sector (Businesses and Non-Profit Organizations).

Estimate of Burden per Response: 25 minutes.
Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 3,558.
Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.
Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents (hours): 2,118.

Comment Is Invited

Comment is invited on: (1) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the
information will have practical or scientific utility; (2) the accuracy of the Agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information, 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 respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission to the Office of Management and Budget for approval.

Alexander L. Friend,
Deputy Chief, Research & Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Natural Resources Conservation Service
[Docket No. NRCS–2020–0008]

Proposed Revisions to the National Handbook of Conservation Practices for the Natural Resources Conservation Service

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice of availability; request for comment.

SUMMARY: NRCS is giving notice that it intends to issue a series of revised conservation practice standards in the National Handbook of Conservation Practices (NHCP). NRCS is also giving the public an opportunity to provide comments on specified conservation practice standards in NHCP.

DATES: We will consider comments that we receive by April 8, 2021.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. You may submit comments through the:


• Mail, or Hand Delivery: Mr. Clarence Prestwich, National Agricultural Engineer, Conservation Engineering Division, NRCS, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, South Building, Room 4636, Washington, DC 20250. In your comment, specify the docket ID NRCS–2020–0008.

All comments will be available on http://www.regulations.gov.

The copies of the proposed revised standards are available through http://www.regulations.gov by accessing Docket No. NRCS–2020–0008. Alternatively, the proposed revised standards can be downloaded or printed from http://go.usa.gov/TXye.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Clarence Prestwich; telephone: (202) 720–2972; or email: clarence.prestwich@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

NRCS is planning to revise the conservation practice standards in the National Handbook of Conservation Practices (NHCP). This notice provides an overview of the planned changes and gives the public an opportunity to provide comments on the specific conservation practice standards that NRCS is changing.

NRCS State Conservationists who choose to adopt these practices in their States will incorporate these practices into the respective electronic Field Office Technical Guide. These practices may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land (HEL) or on land determined to be a wetland. Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 requires NRCS to make available for public review and comment all proposed revisions to conservation practice standards used to carry out HEL and wetland provisions of the law.

Revisions to the National Handbook of Conservation Practices

The amount of the proposed changes varies considerably for each of the conservation practice standards addressed in this notice. To fully understand the proposed changes, individuals are encouraged to compare these changes with each standard’s current version, which can be found at: http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detailfull/national/technical/cp/ncps/?cid=nrcs143_026849.

NRCS is requesting comments on the following conservation practice standards:

• Agrichemical Handling Facility (Code 309);
• Air Filtration and Scrubbing (Code 371);
• Channel Bed Stabilization (Code 584);
• Contour Orchard and Other Perennial Crops (Code 331);
• Cover Crop (Code 340);
• Dry Hydrant (Code 432);
• Dust Management for Pen Surfaces (Code 375);
• Energy Efficient Agricultural Operation (Code 374);
• Fence (Code 382);
• Grazing Land Mechanical Treatment (Code 548);
• Land Reclamation;
• Abandoned Mined Land (Code 543);
• On-Farm Secondary Containment Facility (Code 319);
• Precision Land Forming and Smoothing (Code 462);
• Recreation Land Improvement and Protection (Code 566);
• Roof Runoff Structure (Code 558);
• Sinkhole Treatment (Code 527);
• Sprinkler System (Code 442);
• Stream Crossing (Code 578);
• Waste Separation Facility (Code 632);
• Waste Transfer (Code 634);
• Wastewater Treatment—Milk House (Code 627);
• Wetland Creation (Code 658); and
• Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment and Renovation (Code 380).

The following are highlights of some of the proposed changes to each standard:

Agrichemical Handling Facility (Code 309): Minor revisions were made for improved organization and for clarity. Some flexible membrane liner thicknesses were changed. The minimum storage volume of the Agrichemical Handling Facility was changed to 1.1 times the volume of largest storage container within the containment area, plus the displacement volume that is occupied by all the other tanks within and below the height of the containment wall or dike.

Air Filtration and Scrubbing (Code 371): Formatting and writing style were updated to meet current agency requirements. Minor revisions were made for clarity and readability purposes and to update citations for existing references. Major changes were made to the Plans and Specifications to identify needed information and to remove requirements of supplying supporting documentation with plans and specifications.

Channel Bed Stabilization (Code 584): Minor changes were made, mostly requiring more specific channel and sedimentation information in the Plans and Specifications section.

Contour Orchard and Other Perennial Crops (Code 331): The standard was edited for clarity. Minor revisions were made for clarity and readability purposes. Definition was edited for