

initial funding for EGSFP to \$80 million, which will be the final funding amount for the program, from the initially announced \$20 million due to the high demand for EGSFP. FSA published a notice of funding availability (NOFA) notice on March 16, 2023, announcing the availability of \$20 million for EGSFP. EGSFP provides financial assistance to eligible grain producers who were affected by an eligible disaster event that damaged or destroyed local commercial grain elevators. EGSFP is cost-share assistance to construct storage facilities needed to meet on-farm grain storage capacity and handling needs necessary to support the marketing of grain for producers. This notice updates the initial funding amount for the program from \$20 million to \$80 million and closes the application period for the program due to the current volume of applications received. This notice will not change any other information in the original EGSFP NOFA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Danielle L. Cooke, (202) 720-1919; *Danielle.Cooke@usda.gov*. Individuals who require alternative means for communication should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** on March 16, 2023 (88 FR 16230-16235) (referred to in this document as the March EGSFP NOFA), FSA announced the funding to implement EGSFP. At that time the funding level was announced as \$20 million. FSA received a greater than expected number of applications and has not yet made any payments under EGSFP. FSA is replacing the initial funding level with a funding level of \$80 million, an increase of \$60 million due to the high demand for EGSFP.

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The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) is making available \$80 million to FSA to provide financial assistance to grain producers through EGSFP to assist with marketing disruptions and limited storage capacity caused by eligible disaster events in affected counties from December 1, 2021, through August 1, 2022. The \$80 million funding for the EGSFP assistance will remain available until expended. FSA has no plans to

further increase the funding for EGSFP. Due to the high demand for EGSFP assistance and limited funding, FSA will not accept new EGSFP applications after August 7, 2023. The increased funding level announced by this notice will enable FSA to fund additional eligible applications that have already been received. However, the high demand for EGSFP assistance means that FSA will not be able to approve and fund all eligible applications that have already been received by FSA at this time and any additional applications received after this date would likewise not be funded. As explained in the March EGSFP NOFA: DAFP has the authority to modify application deadlines and other requirements or EGSFP provisions not specified in law in cases where DAFP determines it is equitable to do so and where it does not adversely affect the operation of EGSFP. Therefore, as explained above, DAFP has determined that the original application deadline has been modified and is now August 7, 2023.

This notice will not change any other information stated in the March EGSFP NOFA.

Congressional Review Act

For major rules, the Congressional Review Act requires a delay in the effective date for 60 days from the date of publication to allow for Congressional review. This NOFA is not a major rule under the Congressional Review Act, as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2). Therefore, this NOFA does not require a 60-day delay in implementation.

Environmental Review

The environmental impacts have been considered in a manner consistent with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347), the regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and the FSA regulations for compliance with NEPA (7 CFR part 799).

The purpose of EGSFP is to establish assistance to help agricultural producers in affected counties, including those in Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Tennessee, purchase and build on-farm grain storage and purchase drying and handling equipment necessary due to marketing and storage disruptions caused by devastating natural disaster events from December 1, 2021, through August 1, 2022. The limited discretionary aspects of EGSFP do not have the potential to impact the human environment as they are administrative. Accordingly, these discretionary aspects

are covered by the categorical exclusions in 7 CFR 799.31(b)(6)(iii) that applies to price support programs, provided no extraordinary circumstances are found to exist. As such, the implementation of EGSFP and the participation in EGSFP do not constitute major Federal actions that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment, individually or cumulatively. Therefore, FSA will not prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement for this action and this document serves as documentation of the programmatic environmental compliance decision for this Federal action.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Recordkeeping for Employment and Training Program Activity Report and Requests for Additional 100 Percent Funding

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection for the revision of a currently approved collection for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training (E&T) Program Activity Report (form FNS-583) and State requests for additional funding. The Employment and Training Opportunities in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program final rule modified the regulations to introduce priorities for reallocation of 100 percent funds and to specify that State agencies requesting additional funds should submit the requests for the upcoming fiscal year with the E&T State Plans. Requests and recordkeeping for these activities are currently approved under OMB No. 0584-0339, expiration date 03/31/2024. The burden estimate is 49.51 hours. The burden estimate is not impacted by these changes. FNS is not seeking comment on the reporting burden for the FNS-583 because that is under FNS' web-based Food Program Reporting System, OMB Control No: 0584-0594, expiration date 7/31/2023 (currently under review).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before October 6, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to: Marcie Foster, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, VA 22314. Comments may also be submitted via email to marcie.foster@usda.gov. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Marcie Foster at 703-305-2930.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: 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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions that were used; (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 use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: Employment and Training Program Activity Report and Requests for Additional 100 percent Funding.

Form Number: FNS-583.

OMB Number: 0584-0339.

Expiration Date: 03/31/2024.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: 7 CFR 273.7(c)(9) requires State agencies to maintain quarterly E&T Program Activity Reports containing monthly figures for participation in the program. FNS uses Form FNS-583 to provide the format for this data. State agencies report this data using the

online Food Program Reporting System (FPRS, OMB Control No: 0584-0594; Expiration date: 07/31/2023). State agencies must maintain records in order to support data reported in FPRS. The information collected on the FNS-583 report includes:

- On the first quarter report, the number of work registrants receiving SNAP as of October 1 of the new fiscal year;
- On each quarterly report, by month, the number of new work registrants; the number of able-bodied adults without dependents (ABAWDs) applicants and recipients participating in qualifying components; the number of all other applicants and recipients (including ABAWDs involved in non-qualifying activities) participating in components; and the number of ABAWDs exempt under the State agency's 15 percent exemption allowance;
- On the fourth quarter report, the total number of individuals, sorted by ABAWD and non-ABAWD participants, who participated in each component; the number of individuals who participated in the E&T Program during the fiscal year; the number of SNAP participants and applicants required by the State agency to participate in E&T and of those the number who began participation in an E&T program and the number who began participation in an E&T component; and number of mandatory E&T participants who were determined ineligible for failure to comply with E&T requirements. Additionally, State agencies have the option to report the number of individuals provided with case management services.

7 CFR 273.7(d)(1)(iii) provides that if a State agency will not expend all of the funds allocated to it for a fiscal year, FNS will reallocate unexpended funds to other State agencies requesting additional funds during the fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year as FNS considers appropriate and equitable in accordance with a priority for funding requests process stipulated in 7 CFR 237.7(d)(1)(iii)(A)-(D).

7 CFR 273.7(d)(1)(iii)(E) specifies that State agencies should submit their request for additional funds with the E&T State Plans for the upcoming Federal Fiscal Year (FFY). The requests should indicate the priority category

funds are requested; the amount requested; provide a detailed plan for the use of additional funds; and indicate how the use of the additional funds will support E&T programs and activities that have a demonstrable impact on the ability of participants to find and retain employment that leads to increased household income and reduced reliance on public assistance. Typically, FNS receives eighteen such requests per year. The time it takes to prepare these requests is included in the burden. After receiving the State requests, FNS will reallocate unexpended funds as provided above. The following is the estimated burden for E&T reporting including the burden for State agencies to request additional funds.

Affected Public: State, local and Tribal government. Respondent groups identified include State agencies administering the SNAP E&T program in 50 States, the District of Columbia, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The total estimated number of respondents annually for the recordkeeping burden of the FNS-583 is 53 State agencies, including the agencies responsible for SNAP administration in 50 States, the District of Columbia, Guam, and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The estimated number of respondents for requesting additional funds and maintaining records to support these requests is 18 per year.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: The 53 State agencies are required to submit data on the FNS-583 quarterly. State agencies will be required to maintain data to support 4 reports per year.

The State agencies requesting additional funds typically do so once per year.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 248.

Estimated Time per Response: The estimated time of response varies from 8 to 60 minutes depending on respondent group, as shown in the table below, with an average estimated time of .199 hours per response.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 2,971 minutes (49.51 hours). See the table below for estimated total annual burden for each type of respondent.

TOTAL ANNUAL REPORTING AND RECORDKEEPING BURDEN

[Compiling and Reporting for the FNS-583 and Requests for More Funding SNAP Employment and Training Program Activity Report]

Section of regulation A	Title B	Number of respondents C	Reports filed annually D	Total responses (C × D) E	Estimated number of hours per response F	Estimated total hours (C × D × F) G
REPORTING						
7 CFR 273.7(d)(1)(i)(F)	Preparing requests for more funds after initial allocation.	18	1	18	1	18
Total Reporting Additional Funds Requests.	18	1	18	1	18
RECORDKEEPING						
7 CFR 277.12	Recordkeeping burden for FNS-583.	53	4	212	0.137	29.04
7 CFR 277.12	Recordkeeping burden for additional requests.	18	1	18	0.137	2.47
Total Recordkeeping Burden for FNS 583 and Additional Funds Requests.	53	4.34	230	0.137	31.51
SUMMARY						
Total all burdens	53	4.679	248	0.199	49.51

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meetings of the Louisiana Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.
ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Louisiana Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold monthly business meetings on the following Tuesdays: August 15, September 19, October 17 and November 21, 2023; at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The purpose of each meeting is to select a topic for the Committee’s civil rights project and prepare/submit the project proposal to the Staff Director for approval. The time set aside for each meeting is 90 minutes, but each meeting may end sooner. Votes will be taken at each meeting, as needed.

DATES: Tuesdays: 8/15, 9/19, 10/17 and 11/21, 2023; 2:00 p.m. ET.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via Zoom.

Meeting Link (Audio/Visual): <https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1608085620>
Join by Phone (Audio Only): 1-833 435 1820; Meeting ID: 160 808 5620#

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ivy Davis, Designated Federal Official at ivadvis@usccr.gov or (312) 353-8311.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These Committee meetings are available to the public through the meeting link above. Any interested member of the public may listen to the meetings. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make statements as time allows. Per the Federal Advisory Committee Act, public minutes of the meetings will include a list of persons who are present at the meetings. If joining via phone, callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Closed captioning is available by selecting “CC” for the meeting platform. To requesting additional accommodations, please email csanders@usccr.gov at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meetings. Written comments may be emailed to Ivy Davis at ivadvis@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at ero@usccr.gov.

Records generated from these meetings may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Coordination Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meetings. Records of the meetings will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Colorado Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at csanders@usccr.gov.

Agenda

- I. Welcome and Roll Call
- II. Discussions to select the topic for Committee’s civil rights project; once selected, to prepare/submit project proposal to Staff Director for approval.
- III. Other Business
- IV. Next Public Meeting
- V. Public Comments
- VI. Adjourn