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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and approval 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 February 23, 2026 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](http://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 Safety and Inspection Service

*Title:* Overtime and Holiday Inspection Fees for Small and Very Small Establishments.

*OMB Control Number:* 0583–0185.

*Summary of Collection:* The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary (7 CFR 2.18, 2.53), as specified in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*), the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451, *et seq.*), and the Egg Products Inspection Act (EPIA) (21 U.S.C. 1031, *et seq.*). These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by verifying that meat, poultry, and egg products are safe, wholesome, and properly labeled. FSIS is requesting reinstatement of the previously approved information collection regarding the reduction of overtime and holiday inspection fees for small and very small establishments. FSIS will collect information on the reinstated FSIS Form 5200–16, *Overtime/Holiday Rate Reduction Form*, to determine whether an establishment inspected by FSIS qualifies for an overtime and holiday inspection fee reduction, and, if so, the amount.

*Need and Use of the Information:* FSIS intends to use \$20 million in de-obligated funds from the Meat and Poultry Expansion Program to temporarily reduce overtime and holiday inspection fees for small and very small official meat, poultry, and egg products establishments. FSIS previously implemented a similar fee reduction initiative and is now seeking to resume providing for reduced overtime and holiday fees for small and very small establishments. Reinstating this information collection will allow FSIS to implement fee reductions again. Establishments must submit the reinstated form to receive the fee reductions.

*Description of Respondents:* Business or other for-profit.

*Number of Respondents:* 3,944.

*Frequency of Responses:* Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion.

*Total Burden Hours:* 724.

Levi S. Harrell,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2025–0868]

### Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Control of Chronic Wasting Disease

**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 the regulations for the control of chronic wasting disease in farmed and captive cervid herds.

**DATES:** We will consider all comments that we receive on or before March 24, 2026.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Enter APHIS–2025–0868 in the Search field. Select the Documents tab, then select the Comment button in the list of documents.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Please send one copy of your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2025–0868, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, 5601 Sunnyside Ave., #AP760, Beltsville, MD 20705.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov> or in our reading room, which is 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 the regulations related to the control of chronic wasting disease in farmed or captive cervid herds, contact Dr. Tracy Nichols, Ruminant Health Center (Cervid Health), Strategy and Policy, Veterinary Services, 2150 Centre Ave., Building B, MS 2E6, Fort Collins, CO 80526-8117; (970) 494-7380; [Tracy.a.nichols@usda.gov](mailto:Tracy.a.nichols@usda.gov). For more information on the information collection reporting process, contact Ms. Sheniqua Harris, APHIS' Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, at (301) 851-2528 or email [APHIS.PRA@usda.gov](mailto:APHIS.PRA@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Control of Chronic Wasting Disease.

*OMB Control Number:* 0579-0189.

*Type of Request:* Revision to and 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 protect the health of the United States' livestock and poultry populations by preventing the introduction and interstate spread of serious diseases and pests of livestock and for eradicating such diseases from the United States when feasible.

Chronic wasting disease (CWD) is a transmissible spongiform encephalopathy of cervids (elk, deer, and moose) typified by chronic weight loss leading to death. The presence of CWD in cervids causes significant economic and market losses to U.S. producers. In an effort to control and limit the spread of this disease in the United States, APHIS created a cooperative, voluntary Federal-State-private sector CWD Herd Certification Program. The program is designed to identify farmed or captive herds infected with CWD and provide for the management of these herds in a way that will reduce the risk of spreading CWD. APHIS' Veterinary Services manages the CWD Herd Certification Program.

Owners of farmed or captive elk, deer, and moose herds who choose to participate in the Herd Certification Program need to follow program requirements for animal identification, testing, herd management, and movement of animals into and from herds. The regulations for this program are in 9 CFR part 55. APHIS also established requirements in 9 CFR part 81 for the interstate movement of elk, deer, and moose to reduce movement

that could pose a risk of spreading CWD.

The Herd Certification Program entails the use of information collection activities such as an APHIS Veterinary Services State application for chronic wasting disease herd certification program approval, renewal, or reinstatement; memoranda of understanding between APHIS and participating States; herd or premises plans; annual reports; State reviews; epidemiological investigations and reporting of out-of-State traces to affected States; reports of cervid suspects, escapes, disappearances, and deaths; inspections and inventories; a letter to appeal suspension, cancellation, or change in status; farmed, captive, and wild cervid identification, interstate certificates of veterinary inspection; surveillance data; inspection reports; cooperative agreements; laboratory worksheets; and recordkeeping.

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. APHIS has amended this information collection by decreasing the number of respondents responding resulting in a decrease of annual responses and total burden hours. In addition, APHIS has removed the following activities from this information collection:

- Lab Submission Reports/Testing (VS Form 10-4: Specimen Submission) (moved to another information collection).
- Appraisal, Destruction, and Payment of Indemnity (VS Form 1-23: Appraisal and Indemnity Claim) (moved to another information collection).
- CWD Inspection Report for Exemption on Testing Cervids Moved from an HCP Breeding Herd to a Hunting Preserve Under the Same Ownership.

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 3.24 hours per response.

*Respondents:* State animal health officials, laboratories, accredited veterinarians, and businesses managing farmed, captured, or wild cervid herds.

*Estimated annual number of respondents:* 1,588.

*Estimated annual number of responses per respondent:* 32.

*Estimated annual number of responses:* 50,156.

*Estimated total annual burden on respondents:* 162,510 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 13th day of January 2026.

**Michael Watson,**

*Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2025-0967]

#### 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 March 24, 2026.

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