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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 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 February 26, 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 and Nutrition Service

*Title:* WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program and Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program—Reporting and Recordkeeping Burden.

*OMB Control Number:* 0584–0447.

*Summary of Collection:* The Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) provides eligible seniors with benefits to purchase local produce at farmers' markets, roadside stands, and community supported agriculture (CSA) programs. The Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, Public Law 107–171, initially authorized SFMNP and gave the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) the authority to develop Federal regulations guiding the administration of the SFMNP.

The WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) is associated with the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC). WIC provides supplemental foods, health care referrals, and nutrition education at no cost to low-income pregnant, breastfeeding, and non-breastfeeding postpartum participants, infants, and children up to 5 years of age at nutritional risk. The purpose of WIC FMNP is to provide fresh, nutritious, unprepared, locally grown fruits and vegetables through farmers' markets and roadside stands to WIC participants, and to expand awareness and use of, and sales at, farmers' markets and roadside stands. SFMNP statute (7 U.S.C. 3007) and regulations (7 CFR part 249), and WIC FMNP statute (42 U.S.C. 1786(m)(8)) and regulations (7 CFR part 248), require that certain program-related information be collected and that full and complete records concerning program operations are maintained.

The information reporting and recordkeeping requirements are necessary to ensure appropriate and efficient management of both programs. The burden activities that are covered by this Information Collection Request (ICR) include requirements that involve the authorization and monitoring of local agencies; the certification of participants; the nutrition education that is provided to participants; farmer, farmers' market, roadside stand, and CSA program (SFMNP only) authorization, training, monitoring, and management; and financial and participation data. State plans are the

principal source of information about how each state agency operates WIC FMNP and SFMNP. State agencies administering both programs may submit a single consolidated state plan describing both WIC FMNP and SFMNP operations.

*Need and Use of the Information:* State plans are the principal source of information about how each state agency operates WIC FMNP and SFMNP. State agencies administering both programs may submit a single consolidated state plan describing both WIC FMNP and SFMNP operations to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) (7 CFR 249.4(a)). State plans are currently submitted to FNS electronically as Word or PDF documents using a web-based application called PartnerWeb

*Description of Respondents:* State, Local, or Tribal Government; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

*Number of Respondents:* 2,277,011.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: annually, one-time; quarterly, on occasion.

*Total Burden Hours:* 1,762,825.

*Number of Respondents:* 120,710.

*Frequency of Responses:* Reporting: Annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 46,823.

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Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Notice of Information Collection, Request for Comment

**AGENCY:** United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of the Chief Information Officer, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the public to comment on the "Collection of Generic Clearance for Improving Customer Experience (OMB Circular A–11, Section 280 Implementation)" for approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act. The purpose of this request is to facilitate the Agency's

ability to collect feedback from the public to continue to improve its services, thereby facilitating its compliance with statutory requirements and general principles of good governance. This notice announces our intent to submit this collection to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval and solicit comments on specific aspects for the proposed information collection.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by March 30, 2026 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** All comments concerning this notice should be directed to the USDA Departmental Clearance Officer listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Levi S. Harrell, Departmental Clearance Officer; Information Management Division; Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO), 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250; email: [Levi.Harrell@usda.gov](mailto:Levi.Harrell@usda.gov). Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication should contact the USDA Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice) or 844-433-2774 (toll-free nationwide).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Collection of Generic Clearance for Improving Customer Experience (OMB Circular A-11, Section 280 Implementation).

*OMB Number:* 0503-0024.

*OMB Expiration Date of Approval:* Three years from the approval date.

*Type of Request:* Renewal/Extension of approval for a current information collection.

*Abstract:* Under the PRA, (44 U.S.C. 3501-3520) Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. "Collection of information" is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c) and includes Agency requests or requirements that members of the public submit reports, keep records, or provide information to a third party. Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA requires Federal agencies to provide a 60-day notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, before submitting the collection to OMB for approval. To comply with this requirement, the Agency is publishing notice of the proposed collection of information set forth in this document.

Under the Government Service Delivery Improvement Act and the 21st Century Integrated Digital Experience

Act, along with OMB guidance, agencies are obligated to continually improve the services they provide the public and to collect qualitative and quantitative data from the public to do so.

The purpose of this request is to facilitate the Agency's ability to collect feedback from the public to continue to improve its services, thereby facilitating its compliance with statutory requirements and general principles of good governance.

The Agency will only submit collections if they meet the following criteria.

- The collections are voluntary;
- The collections are low-burden for respondents (based on considerations of total burden hours or burden-hours per respondent) and are low-cost for both the respondents and the Federal Government;
- The collections are non-controversial, meaning they do not raise issues that warrant public comment;
- Any collection is targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the near future;
- Personally identifiable information (PII) is collected only to the extent necessary and the Agency will comply with applicable legal and policy requirements to ensure its protection;
- Information gathered is intended to be used for general service improvement and program management purposes;
- The Agency will follow the procedures specified in any relevant OMB guidance for the required reporting to OMB of data from surveys;
- Outside of the reporting mentioned in the bullet immediately above, if the Agency intends to release journey maps, user personas, reports, or other data-related summaries stemming from this collection, the Agency must include appropriate caveats around those summaries, noting that conclusions should not be generalized beyond the sample, considering the sample size and response rates. The Agency must submit the data summary itself (*e.g.*, the report) and the caveat language mentioned above to OMB before it releases them outside the Agency. OMB will engage in a passback process with the Agency.

**Method of Collection**

The Agency will collect this information by electronic means, when possible, as well as by mail, fax, telephone, technical discussions, and in-person interviews. The Agency may also utilize observational techniques to collect this information.

**Annual Reporting Burden**

*Affected Public:* Collections will be targeted to the solicitation of opinions from respondents who have experience with the program or may have experience with the program in the near future. For the purposes of this request, respondents are individuals, businesses, and organizations that interact with a Federal Government Agency or program, either directly or via a Federal contractor. This could include individuals or households; businesses or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions; State, local or tribal governments; Federal government; and universities.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 2,040,000.

*Estimated Time per Response:* Varied, dependent upon the data collection method used. The possible response time to complete a questionnaire or survey may be 3 minutes or up to 1.5 hours to participate in an interview.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 178,750.

**Public Comments**

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the 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 collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information. Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose, or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions to (1) develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; (2) train personnel and be able to respond to a collection of information, to search data sources, (3) complete and review the collection of information; and to

transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

All written comments will be available for public inspection at [Regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov).

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**Samuel Berry,**

*Chief Information Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2025-0409]

#### International Sanitary and Phytosanitary Standard-Setting Activities

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

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 491 of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979, as amended, and legislation implementing the results of the Uruguay Round of negotiations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, we are informing the public of the international standard-setting activities of the World Organization for Animal Health, the Secretariat of the International Plant Protection Convention, and the North American Plant Protection Organization, and we are soliciting public comment on these standard-setting activities.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov). Enter APHIS-2025-0409 in the Search field. Select the Documents tab, then select the Comment button in the list of documents.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2025-0409, 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 [regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) 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 general information on the topics covered in this notice, contact Mr. Eric Nichols, Director, Trade Support Team, APHIS-IS, Room 1627-S, USDA South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250; (202) 799-7122.

For specific information regarding standard-setting activities of the World Organization for Animal Health, contact Dr. Conrad Estrada, Office of International Affairs, Jamie L. Whitten Federal Building, Room 317 E, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington DC 20250; (202) 799-7146.

For specific information regarding the standard-setting activities of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC) and the North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO), contact Stephanie Dubon, NAPPO Technical Director, International Phytosanitary Standards, Plant Protection and Quarantine, APHIS, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Beltsville, MD 20705; (301) 332-9071; [Stephanie.M.Dubon@usda.gov](mailto:Stephanie.M.Dubon@usda.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

The World Trade Organization (WTO) was established as the common international institutional framework for governing trade relations among its members in matters related to the Uruguay Round Agreements. The WTO is the successor organization to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. U.S. membership in the WTO was approved by Congress when it enacted the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (Pub. L. 103-465), which was signed into law on December 8, 1994. The WTO Agreements, which established the WTO, entered into force with respect to the United States on January 1, 1995. The Uruguay Round Agreements Act amended Title IV of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (19 U.S.C. 2531 *et seq.*). Section 491 of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2578), requires the President to designate an agency to be responsible for informing the public of the sanitary and phytosanitary standard-setting (SPS) activities of each international standard-setting organization. The designated agency must inform the public by publishing an annual notice in the **Federal Register** that provides the following information: (1) The SPS standards under

consideration or planned for consideration by the SPS organization; and (2) for each SPS standard specified, a description of the consideration or planned consideration of that standard, a statement of whether the United States is participating or plans to participate in the consideration of that standard, the agenda for U.S. participation, if any, and the agency responsible for representing the United States with respect to that standard.

“International standard” is defined in 19 U.S.C. 2578b as any standard, guideline, or recommendation: (1) Adopted by the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex) regarding food safety; (2) developed under the auspices of the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH)<sup>1</sup> regarding animal health; (3) developed under the auspices of the Secretariat of the International Plant Protection Convention (IPPC or the Convention) and the North American Plant Protection Organization (NAPPO) regarding plant health; or (4) established by or developed under any other international organization agreed to by the member countries of the United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement (USMCA) or the member countries of the WTO.

The President, pursuant to Proclamation No. 6780 of March 23, 1995 (60 FR 15845), designated the Secretary of Agriculture as the official responsible for informing the public of the SPS activities of Codex, WOA, IPPC, and NAPPO. The U.S. Codex Office (USCO), in the United States Department of Agriculture’s (USDA’s) Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs mission area, informs the public of standard-setting activities of Codex, and the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) informs the public of WOA, IPPC, and NAPPO standard-setting activities.

USCO publishes an annual notice in the **Federal Register** to inform the public of SPS activities for Codex (90 FR 22226). Codex was established in 1963. It is the principal international organization for establishing food standards that protect consumer health and promote fair practices in food trade.

APHIS is responsible for publishing an annual notice of WOA, IPPC, and NAPPO activities related to international standards for plant and animal health and representing the United States with respect to these standards. The following are

<sup>1</sup> The World Organization for Animal Health internationally follows a British English spelling of “organisation” in its name; it was formerly the Office International des Epizooties, or OIE, but on May 28, 2022, the organization announced that the acronym was changed from OIE to WOA.