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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information regarding the regulations for the submission of itineraries, contact Dr. Barbara Kohn, Senior Staff Veterinarian, AC, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 84, Riverdale, MD 20737-1236; (301) 851-3751. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Animal Care; Submission of Itineraries.

OMB Number: 0579-0361.

Type of Request: Extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: The Animal Welfare Act (AWA) (7 U.S.C. 2131 *et seq.*) authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to promulgate rules and standards and other requirements governing the humane handling, housing, care, treatment, and transportation of certain animals by dealers, exhibitors, and other regulated entities. The Secretary of Agriculture has delegated the responsibility for enforcing the AWA to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS).

Regulations and standards established under the AWA are contained in 9 CFR parts 1, 2, and 3. The regulations in 9 CFR part 2 establish certain responsibilities of regulated persons under the AWA. These responsibilities include requirements for the licensing and registration of dealers, exhibitors, and research facilities, standards for veterinary care, identification of animals, and recordkeeping. APHIS requires licensees or registrants who intend to exhibit animals away from their approved sites to submit itineraries in accordance with § 2.126 of the regulations.

On October 1, 2009 (74 FR 50738-50740, Docket No. APHIS-2006-0023), APHIS proposed to amend § 2.126 to require that any exhibitor who is subject to the AWA regulations (including, but not limited to, circuses, traveling educational exhibits, animal acts, and petting zoos), and who intends to exhibit any animal at any location other than the person's approved site, must submit a written itinerary to the Animal Care (AC) Regional Director. Under the proposed rule, the AC Regional Director would have to receive the itinerary by email or facsimile no fewer than 2 days in advance of any travel and must include the following:

- The name of the person who intends to exhibit the animal and transport the animal for exhibition purposes, including any business name and current AWA license or registration number and, in the event that any animal is leased, borrowed, loaned, or under some similar arrangement, the name of the person who owns such animal;

- The name, identification number or identifying characteristics, species (common or scientific name), sex, and age of each animal; and

- The names, dates, and locations (with addresses), where the animals will travel, be housed, and be exhibited, including all anticipated dates and locations (with addresses) for any stops and layovers.

These information collection activities were provided initial approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under control number 0579-0361.

APHIS received comments on the proposed itinerary requirements and will be addressing those comments and any possible changes to the requirements, based on those comments, in the final rule. However, the initial approval for this information collection will expire on February 28, 2013.

We are asking OMB to extend approval of the submission of itineraries 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 reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.25 hours per response.

Respondents: Exhibitors.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 8.66.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses: 2,600.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 650 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 7th day of December 2012.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

Farm Service Agency

Report of Acreage, Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation and Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) and the Farm Service Agency (FSA) are seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on a revision of a currently approved information collection associated with the report of acreage for the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP). The Report of Acreage form is being revised for more efficient data entry in Modernize and Innovate the Delivery of Agricultural Systems (MIDAS). The producer will also no longer be required to provide certain additional information with the form that will likely result in a reduction in the burden hours in this information collection. This information collection is needed to administer the program.

DATES: We will consider comments that we receive by February 11, 2013.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comments, include date, OMB control number, volume, and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- **Mail:** USDA Farm Service Agency, Farm Programs, Production Emergencies and Compliance Division, CPS, ATTN: Jantrice Williams, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., STOP 0517, Washington, DC 20250-0523.

Also, send comments to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Jantrice Williams, (202) 720-3637.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description of Information Collection

Title: Report of Acreage for the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP).

OMB Control Number: 0560-0004.

Expiration Date: March 31, 2015.

Type of Request: Revision.

Abstract: NAP provides financial assistance to producers who have suffered a production loss of an eligible crop or were prevented from planting an eligible crop as a result of natural disasters. Eligible crops are commercial crops or other agricultural commodities for which catastrophic risk protection under 7 U.S.C. 1508(b) is not available and that are produced for food or fiber.

Additionally, eligible crops also include floriculture, non-ornamental nursery, ornamental nursery, ginseng, mushroom, honey, maple sap, sea oats, seagrass, industrial crops, Christmas tree crops, turfgrass sod, seed crops, and aquaculture (including ornamental fish). Specific information is collected from producers on identification of the crop (including type and variety), practices, intended uses, planting patterns, and predominant species of forage vegetation (including intended method of harvest, that is mechanically harvested or grazed); dates crops were planted or planting was completed (including age of perennial crops); number of acres of each planting of the eligible crop in which the producer has a share in the administrative county; number of acres intended but prevented from being planted; shares and identities of all producers sharing in the crop at the time a NAP application for coverage was filed; FSA farm serial number or location of commodities not necessarily associated with an FSA farm serial number such as colonies of bees for honey production (including the number of bee colonies belonging to the unit); aquaculture production (including the name, type, or variety of each aquaculture species in a physical location of acreage on which the facility resides such as ponds and waterbeds); ornamental nursery (including the size

and origin, that is container or field grown, of plants belonging to the unit); mushroom facilities; turfgrass sod (including the average number of square yards per acre and all unharvested acres); and trees for maple sap production (including number of eligible trees, average size and age of producing trees, and total number of taps placed or anticipated for the tapping season). NAP operates under the regulations in 7 CFR part 1437.

The “Modernize and Innovate the Delivery of Agricultural Systems” (MIDAS) is FSA’s initiative to improve the delivery of FSA farm program benefits and services through the re-engineering of farm program business processes and the adoption of enhanced and modernized information technology. FSA is not collecting any new information on the FSA-578. However, the Report of Acreage form is being revised for more efficient data entry in MIDAS. Producers will no longer be required to provide certain additional information with the form that will reduce the burden hours in this information collection. The producers will only need to report to one county office instead of each administrative county office due to MIDAS. Therefore, FSA expects a reduction in the annual total burden hours for collection of the information.

Respondents: Producers.

Estimated of Respondent Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes (0.50 hour) per response. The average travel time, which is included in the total burden, is estimated to be 1 hour per respondent.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 291,500.

Estimated Annual Number of Forms per Person: 1.5.

Estimated Annual Responses on Respondents: 437,250.

Estimate of Total Annual Burden Hours: 510,125.

We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information collection to help us to:

(1) Determine whether the continued collection of information is still necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the FSA, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Assess the accuracy of the FSA’s estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected;

(4) 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.

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 for the Office of Management and Budget approval.

Signed on November 1, 2012.

Juan M. Garcia,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Information Collection Request: Highly Erodible Land Conservation and Wetland Conservation

AGENCIES: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on an extension of a currently approved information collection associated with Highly Erodible Land Conservation and Wetland Conservation certification requirements. This information is collected in support of the conservation compliance provisions of Title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 (the 1985 Farm Bill), as amended by the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (the 2008 Farm Bill).

DATES: We will consider comments that we receive by February 11, 2013.

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