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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Evaluation of the School Breakfast Program Pilot Project—Data Collection Instruments

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Food and Nutrition Service's intention to request Office of Management and Budget approval of the data collection instruments for the Evaluation of the School Breakfast Program Pilot Project.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by November 27, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to: Alberta C. Frost, Director, Office of Analysis, Nutrition and Evaluation, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

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 will 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 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request

for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collection forms should be directed to Alberta C. Frost, (703) 305-2117.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Evaluation of the School Breakfast Program Pilot Project—Data Collection Instruments.

OMB Number: Not yet assigned.

Expiration Date: N/A.

Type of Request: New collection of information.

Abstract: Section 109(b) of the William F. Goodling Child Nutrition Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-336) amended Section 18 of the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act (42 U.S.C. 1769) to authorize a pilot study that provides free school breakfasts to all students regardless of family income in up to six school districts. The evaluation will rigorously assess the impact of this universal-free school breakfast program on program participation and a broad range of student outcomes, including academic achievement, school attendance and tardiness, classroom behavior and attentiveness, and dietary status. In addition, the evaluation will include a comprehensive implementation analysis to document how the universal-free breakfast program was implemented, changes in program operations and administration, and its costs. OMB approval is requested for the data collection instruments to be used for evaluating the impact of the School Breakfast Program Pilot Project on various student outcomes and for assessing the implementation of the universal-free breakfast program.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden is estimated to range from 30 minutes for school principals to 255 minutes for cafeteria managers.

Respondents: Parents/guardians of sampled students will be interviewed. Elementary school children will be asked to respond to questions about dietary intake, complete a cognitive test battery and have height and weight measured. Teachers, whose students are study participants, will be asked to rate the behavior of these students. School District Administrators, School Food Service Directors, School Principals and Cafeteria Managers will be interviewed.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

From each of the selected 144 elementary schools, 30 students and their households totaling 4,320 students and 4,320 households will be sampled. Respondents will also include the 6 School District Administrators, the 6 School Food Service Directors, 144 School Principals, 144 Cafeteria Managers and 864 teachers (6 teachers from each of the 144 elementary schools).

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:

One for most respondents. Exceptions include 10 percent (432) of the study households, which will be interviewed for 25 minutes on a second occasion for additional dietary intake information about the student. 24 students from each school district will participate in a focus group. 108 teachers will be interviewed.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:

8,920.5 hours. Households ($4,320 \times 45$ minutes + 432×25 minutes)=3,420 hours; Students ($4,320 \times 45$ minutes + 144×60 minutes for focus groups)=3,384 hours; Teachers (864×95 minutes + 108×30 minutes)=1,422 hours; School District Administrators (6×45 minutes)=4.5 hours; School Food Service Directors (6×60 minutes)=6 hours; Principals (144×30 minutes)=72 hours; Cafeteria Managers (144×255 minutes)=612 hours.

Dated: September 22, 2000.

George A. Braley,

Associate Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee Field Trip

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet at the Mapleton Ranger District Office in Florence, OR, on October 12, 2000, to begin a field trip to Enchanted Valley. The Mapleton Ranger District Office is located at 4480 Hwy. 101, Building G, Florence, OR. The trip will begin at 9 a.m. and end at approximately 2 p.m.

Bring a lunch and field gear, including waterproof boots. The public is encouraged to attend but must bring its own transportation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joni Quarnstrom, Public Affairs Specialist, Siuslaw National Forest, 541/750-7075 or write to Acting Forest Supervisor, Siuslaw National Forest, P.O. Box 1148, Corvallis, OR 97339.

Dated: September 18, 2000.

Y. Robert Iwamoto,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Information Collection Activity; Comment Request

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) invites comments on this information collection for which RUS intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 27, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: F. Lamont Heppe, Jr., Program Development & Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., STOP 1522, Room 4034 South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250-1522. Telephone: (202) 720-0736. FAX: (202) 720-4120.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 7 CFR Part 1794, Environmental Policies and Procedures.

OMB Control Number: 0572-0117.

Type of Request: Extension of a previously approved collection with change.

Abstract: The information collection contained in this rule are requirements prescribed the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321-4346), the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and certain related Federal environmental laws, statutes, regulations, and Executive Orders.

The major events which influenced the promulgation of the revisions to this rule was the 1994 reorganization of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, which transferred the water and waste program from the former Farmers Home Administration to RUS, reforms within the electric and telecommunications programs, and fundamental changes in RUS' implementation of the CEQ regulations.

RUS applicants provide environmental documentation, as prescribed by the rule, to assure that policy contained in NEPA is followed. The burden varies depending on the type, size, and location of each project, which then prescribes the type of information collection involved. The collection of information is only that information that is essential for RUS to provide environmental safeguards and to comply with NEPA as implemented by the CEQ regulations.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 229 hours per response.

Respondents: Business or other for-profit and non-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 600.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 3.

Estimate Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 440,000 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Bob Turner,

Program Development and Regulatory Analysis, Rural Utilities Service at (202) 720-0696.

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 will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumption 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 through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques on other forms of information technology.

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.

Dated: September 21, 2000.

Christopher A. McLean,

Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Producing Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration (EDA), Commerce.

ACTION: To give firms an opportunity to comment.

Petitions have been accepted for filing on the dates indicated from the firms listed below.

LIST OF PETITION ACTION BY TRADE ADJUSTMENT ASSISTANCE FOR PERIOD AUGUST 16, 2000-SEPTEMBER 22, 2000

Firm name	Address	Date petition accepted	Product
American Coat & Pad Company.	1220 Curtain Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21218.	28-Aug-2000	Coat and shoulder padding.
Eastham Forge, Inc	1055 Archie Street, Beaumont, Texas 77701.	28-Aug-2000	Forged valve parts for oilfield wellhead equipment.
Byer Manufacturing Co., Inc. (The).	74 Mill Street, Orono, ME 04473.	30-Aug-2000	Camp and casual folding furniture of wood and canvas—cots, chairs, stools, loungers & tables.
Henges Manufacturing, L.L.C.	12100 Prichard Farm Rd., Maryland Hts., MO 63043.	01-Sep-2000	Pre-fabricated buildings, primarily used within an existing warehouse or manufacturing plant.
Hagale Industries, Inc	601 East South Street, Ozark, MO 65721.	01-Sep-2000	Men's shirts and trousers.
Great Western Inorganics, Inc.	17400 Highway 72, Arvada, CO 80007.	15-Sep-2000	Iron sulfide and bromide.