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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; Perceptions of Risk, Trust, Responsibility, and Management Preferences Among Fire-Prone Communities in the Western United States

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; Request for Comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the extension with revision of a currently approved information collection, Perceptions of Risk, Trust, Responsibility, and Management Preferences among Fire-Prone Communities in the Western United States.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before March 14, 2008 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Patricia L. Winter, Pacific Southwest Research Station, Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 4955 Canyon Crest Drive, Riverside, CA 92507.

Comments also may be submitted via facsimile to 951-680-1501 or by e-mail to: pwinter@fs.fed.us.

The public may inspect comments received at Building One Reception, 4955 Canyon Crest Drive, Riverside, CA 92507, during normal business hours. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (951) 680-1500 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia L. Winter, Pacific Southwest Research Station, Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 951-680-1557. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay

Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Perceptions of Risk, Trust, Responsibility, and Management Preferences among Fire-Prone Communities in the Western United States.

OMB Number: 0596-0186.

Expiration Date of Current Approval: July 31, 2008.

Type of Request: Extension with revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The purpose of this survey is to determine the perceptions of risk, trust, responsibility, and management preferences among individuals residing in fire-prone communities in the Western United States.

Forest Service and university researchers will contact community residents within or adjacent to national forests in the Western United States. Through those contacts, researchers will evaluate concerns about fire and fire risk; knowledge about fire; values focused on fire management; trust, objectives, and alternatives for fire management; personal experiences with fire; stressors associated with fire and fire risk; responsibility and accomplishments for fire management; sources of concern about fire; future orientation; and socio-demographics.

The results will help researchers improve the ability to provide information to natural resource managers on public perceptions of fire and fire management. To gather the information, residents within, or adjacent to, national forests in the Western United States will be contacted through mailed or e-mail correspondence or by telephone inviting their participation in a focus group study. Willing or interested parties will contact the researcher and be scheduled into sessions in their community. Those agreeing to participate will be involved in a focus group discussion and complete a self-administered survey.

A Forest Service researcher and analyst/technicians will collect and analyze the information with the assistance of a cooperating university researcher. Both researchers are experts in applied social psychology and survey research.

Participants will first complete a questionnaire focused on the

individual's concern about fire, knowledge about fire, values similarity with the Forest Service, trust, objectives for fire management, personal experience with fire, stressors of fire and fire risk, responsibility for risk reduction, accomplishment of risk reduction, sources of concern about fire, future orientation, and sociodemographics. Participants (age 18 or older) residing in the selected communities are then invited via mail, e-mail, or telephone to participate in a discussion on the following topics: objectives, values, and concerns in fire management; alternatives for accomplishing objectives; values/goals and trust; and information needs and interests. When possible, multiple sessions will be held in each community to accommodate as many participants as are interested. Responses will be voluntary and anonymous.

Responses will be used to evaluate the values linked to fire and fire management among forest community residents, personal experiences with fire and how participants have addressed fire risk, perceived responsibility and accomplishments in addressing fire risk, and personal characteristics that might influence these responses. The data collected will assist researchers in determining public perception and expectations regarding fire management and risk, as well as providing information on how residents address these issues. Such data is valuable to forest resource managers, who use the information when selecting long and short-term fire management strategies, and in developing public information strategies on fire and fire management.

Without this information, managers will have to rely on the scant information otherwise available on current and changing public views regarding fire and fire management, and the anecdotal information collected through direct experiences with the public regarding impacts of fire and fire risk. The intent is to share the collected data with other researchers studying fire management, and other natural resource management values and objectives.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 2.3 hours.

Type of Respondents: Respondents are community residents in various locations within or adjacent to national forests in the Western United States.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 200.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.
Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 460.

Comment is Invited:

Comment is invited on: (1) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical or scientific utility; (2) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of 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 request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: January 3, 2008.

Ann M. Bartuska,
Deputy Chief for Research & Development.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ravalli County Resource Advisory Committee will be meeting with presenter on Bitterroot Composite Lumber Company and to hold a short public forum, along with voting for new chairperson. The meeting is being held pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 Pub. L. 106-393). The meeting is open to the public. **DATES:** The meeting will be held on January 22, 2008, 6:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Bitterroot National Forest, 1801 N First, Hamilton, MT. Send written comments to Daniel Ritter, District Ranger, Stevensville Ranger District, 88

Main Street, Stevensville, MT 59870, by facsimile (406) 777-7423, or electronically to dritter@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
 Daniel Ritter, Stevensville District Ranger and Designated Federal Officer, Phone: (406) 777-5461.

Dated: January 7, 2008.

David T. Bull,
Forest Supervisor.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

T-5-2007

Foreign-Trade Zone 38 - Spartanburg County, SC, Application for Temporary/Interim Manufacturing Authority, Kittel Supplier USA, Inc. (Automotive Roof/Luggage Racks), Notice of Approval

On October 26, 2007, an application was filed by the Executive Secretary of the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board submitted by the South Carolina State Ports Authority, grantee of FTZ 38, requesting temporary/interim manufacturing (T/IM) authority on behalf of Kittel Supplier USA, Inc., to assemble automotive roof/luggage racks under FTZ procedures within FTZ 38 Site 3, Duncan, South Carolina.

The application has been processed in accordance with T/IM procedures, as authorized by FTZ Board Orders 1347 (69 FR 52857, 8-30-2004) and 1480 (71 FR 55422, 9-22-2006), including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (72 FR 62429, 11-5-2007). The FTZ staff examiner reviewed the application and determined that it meets the criteria for approval under T/IM procedures. The foreign-origin components approved for this activity are: rubber seals (4016.93); bolts (7308.15); screws (7318.19); steel pins (7318.29); aluminum rails and support legs (8708.29); mounting brackets (8708.29); and, plastic support legs (8708.99). Pursuant to the authority delegated to the FTZ Board Executive Secretary in the above-referenced Board Orders, the application is approved, effective this date, until January 7, 2010, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Dated: January 7, 2008.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-570-926]

Sodium Nitrite from the People's Republic of China: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 14, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
 Sean Carey or Gene Calvert, AD/CVD Operations, Office 6, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3964 and (202) 482-3586, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On November 28, 2007, the Department of Commerce (the Department) initiated the countervailing duty investigation of sodium nitrite from the People's Republic of China (PRC). *See Sodium Nitrite from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 72 FR 68568 (December 5, 2007). Currently the preliminary determination is due no later than February 1, 2008.

Postponement of Due Date for Preliminary Determination

On January 4, 2008, petitioner submitted a letter requesting that the Department postpone the preliminary determination of the countervailing duty investigation of sodium nitrite from the PRC. Under section 703(c)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), the Department may extend the deadline for the preliminary determination in a countervailing duty investigation until not later than the 130th day after the date on which the administering authority initiates an investigation if the petitioner makes a timely request for an extension of the period within which the determination must be made under section 703(b) of the Act. Pursuant to section 351.205(e) of the Department's regulations, the petitioner's request for postponement of the preliminary determination was made 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination. Accordingly, we are extending the due date for the preliminary determination by 65 days to no later than April 6, 2008. Because April 6, 2008 is a Sunday, the