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## Farm Service Agency

### Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Farm Service Agency, USDA

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces that the Farm Service Agency (FSA) intends to request an extension for currently approved collection of information pertaining to foreign investment in United States (U.S.) agricultural land as authorized by the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act of 1978 (AFIDA).

**DATE:** Comments on this notice must be received on or before June 2, 1997 to be assured consideration.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS:** Contact Patricia A. Blevins, Agricultural Foreign Investment Specialist, Foreign Investment Disclosure Branch, Operations Analysis Staff, USDA, FSA, STOP 0531, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-0531, (202) 720-0604.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Title:* Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act Report.

*OMB Number:* 0560-0097.

*Expiration Date:* June 30, 1997.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* AFIDA requires foreign persons who hold, acquire, or dispose of any interest in U.S. agricultural land to report the transactions to the FSA on an AFIDA report. The information collected from the AFIDA reports is used in the preparation of an annual report to Congress and the President by the Economic Research Service concerning the effect of foreign investment upon family farms and rural communities. Congress reviews the annual report and decides if further regulatory action is required.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information

is estimated to average .4818 hours per response.

*Respondents:* Foreign investors, corporate employees, farm managers or attorneys.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 4,375.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 2,108 hours.

*Proposed topics for comment include:*

(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 assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; or (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of the 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 should be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503 and to Patricia A. Blevins, Agricultural Foreign Investment Specialist, Foreign Investment Disclosure Branch, Operations Analysis Staff, USDA, FSA, STOP 0531, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-0531, (202) 720-0604.

Signed at Washington, DC, on March 26, 1997.

**Bruce R. Weber,**

*Acting Administrator Farm Service Agency.*

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## Forest Service

### Nicore Mining Plan of Operation, Siskiyou National Forest, Josephine County, Oregon

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** The USDA, Forest Service, in cooperation with the Bureau of Land Management, will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to disclose the environmental impacts for a site-specific Proposed Action to approve a Plan of Operation for access and mining with mitigation, in the West Fork Illinois River drainage, of the Illinois Valley Ranger District, Siskiyou

National Forest, Josephine County, Oregon. These are two access alternatives presently under consideration. The Agency gives notice of the full environmental analysis and decision-making process that will occur on the Proposed Action, so that interested and affected persons are aware of how they may participate and contribute to the analysis.

**DATES:** Issues with the Proposed Action must be received in writing before May 5, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written issues with the Proposed Action to Mary Zuschlag, District Ranger, Illinois Valley Ranger District, 26568 Redwood Highway, Cave Junction, Oregon, 97523.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct questions about the Proposed Action and EIS to Don McLennan, Interdisciplinary Team Leader, Illinois Valley Ranger District, 26568 Redwood Highway, Cave Junction, Oregon, 97523 or by calling (541) 592-2166.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The 1872 Mining Law, Section 1 states that all valuable mineral deposits in lands belonging to the United States are to be free and open to exploration.

The 1970 Mining and Minerals Policy Act declares that it is the policy of the Federal Government to foster and encourage private enterprise in the development of economically sound and stable domestic mining, minerals, metal and mineral reclamation industries. The Act also declares that it is the policy of the Federal Government to foster and encourage private enterprise in the orderly and economic development of domestic mineral resources.

In preparing the EIS, the Agency will tier to the Amended Land and Resource Management Plan for the Siskiyou National Forest, consider submitted written issues with Proposed Action, and develop additional alternatives that respond to the significant issues with the Proposed Action. In addition, the agency will analyze a no-action alternative.

Public participation will be important at several times during the analysis. The first time is during the scoping period [Reviewer may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environment Policy Act (CFR) at 40 CFR 150.7]. The Agency will be seeking written issues with the Proposed Action from Federal, State, and local agencies, any affected Indian tribes, the permit applicant, and other individuals who may be interested in or affected by the Proposed Action. This input will be

used to develop additional alternatives. The scoping process includes:

1. Contacting Federal, State, and local agencies, any affected Indian tribes, the permit applicant, and other individuals who may be interested in or affected by the Proposed Action.

2. Identifying potential issues.

3. Selecting significant issues with the Proposed Action, needing in-depth analysis.

4. Eliminating insignificant issues; issues that have been analyzed and documented in a previous EIS, issues that controvert the need for the Proposed Action, or issues that are outside the authority of the Responsible Official to decide.

5. Identifying resources that have a potential for being effected by the Proposed Action.

The Draft EIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and be available for review by July 1997. At that time, EPA will publish a Notice of Availability for the Draft EIS in the **Federal Register**.

A 45-day comment period for the Draft EIS will be from the date the EPA's Notice of Availability appears in the **Federal Register**. To assist the Agency, comments on the Draft EIS will need to be written, be as specific as possible, refer to specific pages and chapters of the Draft EIS, and address either the adequacy of the Draft EIS or the merits of the alternatives discussed in the Draft EIS (40 CFR 1503.3).

It is important to give Reviewers notice at this early stage of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, Reviewers of a Draft EIS *must* structure their participation in the environmental review process of the Proposed Action so that it is specific, meaningful, and alerts an agency to the Reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised early-on in the environmental review process, but that are not raised until after completion of the Final EIS, may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d. 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this Proposed Action participate by the close of the 45-day comment period so that substantive comments are available to the Agency at a time when the Agency can meaningfully consider and respond to them in the Final EIS.

After the 45-day comment period ends on the Draft EIS, comments will be

considered and analyzed by the Agency in preparing the Final EIS. The Final EIS is scheduled to be completed by December 1997. In the Final EIS, the Agency is required to respond to the comments received (40 CFR 1503.4).

The Responsible Official will be Mike Lunn, Forest Supervisor, who will consider the Final EIS, applicable laws, regulations, policies, and analysis files in making decision regarding this Proposed Action. The Responsible Official will document the decision and rationale in the Record of decision. That decision will be subject to appeal by the general public under 36 CFR 215 and by the miner under 36 CFR 251.

Dated: March 25, 1997.

**Liz Agpaao,**

*Acting Forest Supervisor.*

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## ASSASSINATION RECORDS REVIEW BOARD

### Formal Determinations, Releases, Assassination Records Designation, and Corrections

**AGENCY:** Assassination Records Review Board.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Assassination Records Review Board (Review Board) met in a closed meeting on March 13-14, 1997, and made formal determinations on the release of records under the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992 (Supp. V 1994) (JFK Act). By issuing this notice, the Review Board complies with the section of the JFK Act that requires the Review Board to publish the results of its decisions on a document-by-document basis in the **Federal Register** within 14 days of the date of the decision.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** T. Jeremy Gunn, General Counsel and Associate Director for Research and Analysis, Assassination Records Review Board, Second Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, (202) 724-0088, fax (202) 724-0457.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice complies with the requirements of the President John F. Kennedy Assassination Records Collection Act of 1992, 44 U.S.C. 2107.9(c)(4)(A) (1992). On March 13-14, 1997, the Review Board made formal determinations on records it reviewed under the JFK Act. These determinations are listed below. The assassination records are identified by the record identification number assigned in the President John F.

Kennedy Assassination Records Collection database maintained by the National Archives.

### Notice of Formal Determinations:

For each document, the number of releases of previously redacted information immediately follows the record identification number, followed in turn by the number of postponements sustained, and, where appropriate, the date the document is scheduled to be released or re-reviewed.

FBI Documents: Open in Full

124-10085-10307; 1; 0; n/a

124-10085-10324; 1; 0; n/a

124-10145-10250; 7; 0; n/a

124-10145-10301; 11; 0; n/a

124-10146-10204; 25; 0; n/a

124-10151-10144; 1; 0; n/a

124-10180-10186; 3; 0; n/a

124-10188-10072; 3; 0; n/a

HSCA Documents: Open in Full

180-10142-10269; 10; 0; n/a

FBI Documents: Postponed in Part

124-10062-10331; 1; 3; 10/2017

124-10062-10456; 0; 6; 03/2007

124-10062-10457; 0; 5; 10/2017

124-10063-10129; 2; 2; 03/2007

124-10066-10062; 1; 1; 10/2017

124-10066-10482; 0; 1; 10/2017

124-10067-10272; 2; 1; 10/2017

124-10071-10230; 0; 1; 10/2017

124-10072-10413; 0; 2; 10/2017

124-10073-10429; 1; 1; 03/2007

124-10089-10093; 5; 1; 10/2017

124-10106-10246; 0; 1; 10/2017

124-10120-10017; 2; 1; 10/2017

124-10121-10027; 5; 1; 10/2017

124-10137-10129; 5; 1; 10/2017

124-10138-10008; 6; 2; 03/2007

124-10140-10129; 5; 1; 10/2017

124-10147-10155; 5; 1; 10/2017

124-10149-10066; 5; 1; 10/2017

124-10150-10104; 1; 1; 10/2017

124-10156-10014; 2; 1; 10/2017

124-10160-10031; 1; 1; 10/2017

124-10164-10151; 0; 2; 10/2017

124-10172-10020; 5; 5; 10/2017

124-10173-10486; 9; 2; 03/2007

124-10173-10487; 5; 2; 03/2007

124-10173-10490; 9; 2; 03/2007

124-10179-10045; 0; 1; 10/2017

124-10179-10056; 1; 4; 03/2007

124-10179-10133; 5; 1; 03/2007

124-10179-10358; 11; 2; 10/2017

124-10181-10348; 5; 3; 03/2007

124-10181-10350; 7; 8; 03/2007

124-10184-10018; 12; 2; 03/2007

124-10184-10233; 1; 1; 10/2017

124-10184-10258; 17; 6; 10/2017

124-10184-10292; 4; 2; 03/2007

124-10184-10305; 40; 26; 03/2007

124-10184-10319; 3; 3; 03/2007

124-10184-10320; 3; 3; 03/2007

124-10231-10064; 5; 5; 10/2017

124-10232-10022; 0; 5; 10/2017

124-10237-10009; 1; 1; 10/2017

124-10190-10080; 1; 2; 10/2017

124-10235-10155; 3; 1; 10/2017

124-10237-10172; 1; 6; 03/2007

124-10237-10175; 0; 5; 03/2007

124-10237-10177; 0; 6; 03/2007

124-10244-10157; 7; 1; 03/2007