

geographic area of such meetings well in advance of scheduled dates.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is 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 at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement 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 90-day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft EIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

The responsible officials for this environmental impact statement and decision are John H. Skinner, Forest Supervisor, Tahoe National Forest, P.O. Box 6003, Nevada City, CA 95959-6003 and John Phipps, Forest Supervisor, Eldorado National Forest, 100 Forni Road, Placerville, CA 95667.

A draft environmental impact statement is expected to be available for agency and public review by November 1997, and a final environmental impact statement should be available by March 1998.

Dated: July 30, 1997.

John Phipps,

Forest Supervisor, Eldorado National Forest.

Dated: August 1, 1997.

John H. Skinner,

Forest Supervisor, Tahoe National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY: Rural Telephone Bank, USDA.

ACTION: Staff Briefing for the Board of Directors.

TIME AND DATE: 2 p.m., Thursday, August 21, 1997.

PLACE: Room 0204, South Building, Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED: General discussion involving FCC rulemaking affecting the Bank and RUS telecommunications programs; proposed budget for FY 1998; retirement of Class A stock in FY 1997; annual dividend rate for Class C stock; reserve for loan losses; conversion of Class B stock to Class C stock upon partial repayment of Bank loans; directors' liability insurance; and final rules 7 CFR parts 1610 and 1735.

Action: Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors.

Time and Date: 9 a.m., Friday, August 22, 1997.

Place: Room 104A, South Building, Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

Status: Open.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The following matters have been placed on the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting:

1. Call to Order.
2. Action on Minutes of May 15, 1997, Board meeting.
3. Report on loans approved in third quarter FY 1997.
4. Report on requests for waiver of prepayment premiums in third quarter FY 1997.
5. Summary of financial activity for third quarter FY 1997.
6. Consideration of resolution to retire Class A stock in FY 1997.
7. Consideration of resolution to set annual Class C stock dividend rate.
8. Consideration of the Bank Board's annual report for FY 1996.
9. Adjournment.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Robert Peters, Assistant Governor, Rural Telephone Bank, (202) 720-9554.

Dated: August 8, 1997.

Wally Beyer,

Governor, Rural Telephone Bank.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request

DOC has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: Bureau of the Census.

Title: Current Industrial Reports Program—Wave I (Mandatory).

Form Number(s): Total of 23 individual CIR reports.

Agency Approval Number: 0607-0392.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 18,252 hours.

Number of Respondents: 14,650.

Avg Hours Per Response: 1 hour 15 minutes.

Needs and Uses: The Current Industrial Reports (CIR) program is a series of monthly, quarterly, and annual surveys which provide key measures of production, shipments, and/or inventories on a national basis for selected manufactured products. Government agencies, business firms, trade associations, and private research and consulting organizations use these data to make trade policy, production, and investment decisions.

For clearance purposes, the approximately 72 CIR surveys are divided into "waves." Each wave has an associated voluntary and mandatory clearance package, making 6 separate clearances. Each year, one wave (2 clearance packages) is submitted for review.

In this request, we are moving 3 CIR reports (Air Conditioning & Refrigeration; Steel Mill; and Computer and Office Equipment) from other waves into this wave because of changes in survey content and moving 3 others (Confectionery; Coin Operated Vending Machines; and Electric Lighting Fixtures) into this wave because of a change in reporting status. These 3 annual reports, normally conducted as voluntary, are being done on a mandatory basis this year in conjunction with the economic

censuses. Additionally, a CIR report on Fluid Power Products (intended for conversion from mandatory to voluntary this year) which is already contained in this wave will continue to be conducted on a mandatory basis this year in conjunction with the economic censuses.

These planned changes were not made public in our presubmission **Federal Register** notice published February 26, 1997 announcing our plans to submit this request. The changes are non-controversial and will not result in any overall increase in reporting burden.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: This request contains monthly, quarterly, and annual counterpart reports.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Title 13 USC, Sections 61, 131, 182, 224, and 225.

OMB Desk Officer: Jerry Coffey, (202) 395-7314.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to Jerry Coffey, OMB Desk Officer, room 10201, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: August 7, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Current Population Survey—Annual Demographic Survey for March 1998

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before October 14, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Bonnie Tarsia, Bureau of the Census, FOB 3, Room 3340, Washington, DC 20233-8400, and (301) 457-3806.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau will conduct the Annual Demographic Survey (ADS) in conjunction with the March 1998 Current Population Survey (CPS). The Census Bureau has conducted this supplement annually for over 50 years. The Census Bureau, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and the Department of Health and Human Services sponsor this supplement.

In the ADS we collect information on work experience, personal income, noncash benefits, expanded race items and migration.

The work experience items in the ADS provide a unique measure of the dynamic nature of the labor force as viewed over a one-year period. These items produce statistics that show movements in and out of the labor force by measuring the number of periods of unemployment experienced by persons, the number of different employers worked for during the year, the principal reasons for unemployment, and part-/full-time attachment to the labor force. We can make indirect measurements of discouraged workers and others with a casual attachment to the labor market.

The income data from the ADS are used by social planners, economists, Government officials, and market researchers to gauge the economic well-being of the Nation as a whole, and selected population groups of interest. Government planners and researchers use these data to monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of various assistance programs. Market researchers use these data to identify and isolate potential customers. Social planners use these data to forecast economic conditions and to identify special groups that seem to be especially sensitive to economic fluctuations. Economists use March data to determine the effects of various economic forces, such as inflation,

recession, recovery, etc., and their differential effects on various population groups.

A prime statistic of interest is the classification of persons as being in poverty and how this measurement has changed over time for various groups. Researchers evaluate March income data not only to determine poverty levels, but also to determine whether Government programs are reaching eligible households.

The March 1998 supplement instrument will consist of the same items that were included in the March 1997 instrument, with the following changes:

A. We are removing the Item Q49a1 screener from the instrument. Based on the results of the March 1997 CPS, this item unexpectedly reduced the amount of "Other self-employment," and "Other farm" income.

B. We will remove references to "Aid to Families With Dependent Children" and "Aid to Dependent Children" from the instrument. This will be done due to the recent welfare reform changes in programs.

C. We are conducting research to develop a few questions that will address participation in new programs generated by welfare reform.

D. We are adding a question to the current migration series. This question will ask the reasons for moving.

II. Method of Collection

The ADS is conducted at the same time as the Basic CPS by personal visits and telephone interviews, using Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing and Computer-Assisted Telephone Interviewing.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0354.

Form Number: None. We conduct all interviewing on computers.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 52,000 per month.

Estimated Time Per Response: 25 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 21,666.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: There are no costs to the respondents other than their time to answer the CPS questions.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Section 182; and Title 29, United States Code, Sections 1-9.