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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

June 8, 2006.

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OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

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Forest Service

Title: The Role of Local Communities in the Development of Agreement or Contract Plans through Stewardship Contracting.

OMB Control Number: 0596-New.

Summary of Collection: Section 323 of Public Law 108-7 (16 U.S.C. 2104 Note) requires the Forest Service (FS) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to report to Congress annually on the role of local communities in the development of agreement or contract plans through stewardship contracting. To meet that requirement FS plans to conduct an annual telephone survey to gather the necessary information for use by both the FS and BLM in developing their separate annual reports to Congress.

Need and Use of the Information: The survey will collect information on the role of local communities in the development of agreement or contract plans through stewardship contracting. The survey will provide information regarding the nature of the local community involved in developing agreement or contract plans, the nature of roles played by the entities involved in developing agreement or contract plans, the benefits to the community and agency by being involved in planning and development of contract plans, and the usefulness of stewardship contracting in helping meet the needs of local communities.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Federal Government; State, local or tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 350.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 175.

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Farm Service Agency

Title: 2005 Section 32 Hurricane Disaster Programs.

OMB Control Number: 0560-0257.

Summary of Collection: The purpose of this request for information collection is to extend the requirements of the

2005 Section 32 Hurricane Disaster Programs. On January 26, 2006, the Secretary announced the 2005 Section 32 Hurricane Disaster Programs, consisting of the Feed Indemnity, the Hurricane Indemnity Program, the Livestock Indemnity Program, and the Tree Indemnity Program. These four programs targeted assistance to producers located in specific counties and States who lost crops, trees, livestock and or livestock feed as a result of damage caused by five specific hurricanes and tropical storms that occurred in calendar year 2005.

Need and Use of the Information: The Farm Service Agency will collect information using form FSA-573, "2005 Section 32 Hurricane Disaster Programs Application". This information will be used to make eligibility determinations on producers requests for payments to supplement indemnities or payments received under Federal Crop Insurance or the Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program, in addition to request for payments to compensate for losses under one or more of the four programs covered under the 2005 Section 32 Hurricane Disaster Programs. Producers are asked to provide specific information regarding crops, trees, bushes, vines, livestock, and livestock feed that were lost as a result of one or more hurricanes or tropical storms in calendar year 2005.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households; Business or other-for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; Farms; State, local and tribal government.

Number of Respondents: 34,008.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting; Other (Request once).

Total Burden Hours: 51,012.

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Food and Nutrition Service

Title: National Hunger Clearinghouse Database Form.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0474.

Summary of Collection: The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is interested in maintaining and further developing an information clearinghouse (named "National Hunger Clearinghouse") for groups that assist low-income individuals and communities concerning nutrition assistance programs or other assistance. Section 26 of the National School Lunch Act, which was added to the Act by section 123 Public Law 102-446 on November 2, 1994 (Appendix A), mandated that FNS enter into a 4 year contract with a non governmental organization to develop and maintain a national information clearinghouse of grassroots organizations working on hunger, food, nutrition, and other agricultural issues, including food recovery. This legislation was further amended on October 13, 1998 by section 112 of Public Law 105-336 to extend and increase funding for the clearinghouse (for fiscal years 2004 through 2009). The USDA National

Hunger Clearinghouse uses state-of-the-art computer and telecommunications technologies to connect the target audience, sharing information on effective program models, pending legislation and rulemakings, surplus and emergency food distribution networks, and USDA programs and policies. FNS will collect the information through fax, regular mail, e-mail, and the Internet.

Need and Use of the Information: FNS will collect information to provide a resource for groups that assist low-income individuals or communities regarding nutrition assistance program or other assistance. The information provided by the Clearinghouse database enables these groups to do a better job of assisting the target audience.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Business or other for-profit; Farms.

Number of Respondents: 1,750.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 146.

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Forest Service

Mountaintop Ranger District, San Bernardino National Forest, CA; Moonridge Animal Park Relocation

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The San Bernardino National Forest is seeking public input and comment on a proposed animal park, which would be located near the Big Bear Discovery Center. The project is called the Moonridge Animal Park Relocation. The proposed action will be defined in the Special Use Permit application and draft Master Plan to be developed by Big Bear Valley Recreation and Parks District. A proposed Joint Venture Management Plan is a guiding document for the permit and the operating plan. The proposed concept design would occupy about 35 acres more or less of National Forest System (NFS) land. New facilities would include zoological and botanical gardens with habitat, education center, classrooms, animal exhibits, animal hospital and rehabilitation center, restrooms, retail and concession