

genetically engineered, was published in the **Federal Register** on May 29, 1992 (57 FR 22984–23005). Under this policy, FDA uses what is termed a consultation process to ensure that human and animal feed safety issues or other regulatory issues (e.g., labeling) are resolved prior to commercial distribution of a bioengineered food. In compliance with the FDA policy, Syngenta submitted a food and feed safety and nutritional assessment summary to FDA for Event 3272 corn which was completed in August 2007 acknowledging that based on the information available, Event 3272 corn did not raise safety or other issues that would require pre-market review or approval by the FDA. As Event 3272 corn does not produce a pesticide or have a tolerance to any pesticide, the Environmental Protection Agency is not involved with evaluating Event 3272.

National Environmental Policy Act

A draft EA has been prepared to inform the public of, and to provide the APHIS decisionmaker with, a review and analysis of potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed determination of nonregulated status for Event 3272 corn. The draft EA was prepared in accordance with (1) the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), (2) regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500–1508), (3) USDA regulations implementing NEPA (7 CFR part 1b), and (4) APHIS' NEPA Implementing Procedures (7 CFR part 372).

In accordance with § 340.6(d) of the regulations, we are publishing this notice to inform the public that APHIS will accept written comments regarding the petition for a determination of nonregulated status from interested or affected persons for a period of 60 days from the date of this notice. We are also soliciting written comments from interested or affected persons on the draft EA prepared to examine potential environmental impacts of the proposed determination for the deregulation of the subject corn line. The petition and the draft EA are available for public review, and copies of the petition and the draft EA are available as indicated under **ADDRESSES** and **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above.

After the comment period closes, APHIS will evaluate all written comments received during the comment period and any other relevant information. All public comments received regarding the petition and draft EA will be available for public review.

After reviewing and evaluating the comments on the petition and the draft EA and other data, APHIS will furnish a response to the petitioner, either approving or denying the petition. APHIS will then publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the regulatory status of Event 3272 corn and the availability of APHIS' written regulatory and environmental decision.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 7701–7772 and 7781–7786; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

Done in Washington, DC, this 13th day of November 2008.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; 4-Rivers Application and Drawing

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 new information collection, 4-Rivers Application and Drawing.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before January 20, 2009 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be mailed to: Linda Walton, River Manager, North Fork Ranger Station, P.O. Box 180, North Fork, ID 83466.

Comments also may be submitted via facsimile to 208–865–2738 or by e-mail to: lw Walton@fs.fed.us.

The public may inspect comments received at North Fork Ranger Station, P.O. Box 180, 11 Casey Rd., North Fork, ID, during normal business hours. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 208–865–2700 to facilitate entry to the building. Comments may also be reviewed by accessing Forest Service Web Page listed:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r4/sc/recreation/whitewater rafting/index.shtml>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda Walton, River Manager, Salmon-Challis National Forest, 208–865–2737. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the

Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800–877–8339 twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 4–Rivers Application and Drawing.

OMB Number: 0596–NEW.

Type of Request: New.

Abstract: The 4–Rivers application and drawing provides an opportunity for private river runners to compete for a river permit on one of four rivers in Idaho. Public demand for use permits on the Main Salmon, Middle Fork, Selway, and Snake Rivers are high. The drawing provides a means to assist managers and public by accommodating greater numbers of people.

The drawing allows all applicants equal probability of receiving a river permit. Selection of permit recipients is via a computer driven random selection process. Upon selection, applicants receive river use permits from the Forest Service.

The following Federal Acts provide participating forests with management direction, limiting the number of river users during high demand seasons while still providing river recreation opportunities to visitors. These Acts allow for management controls necessary to protect river resources and enhance river ecosystems previously determined to have superior characteristics.

1. The Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness Plan 1982, updated 2003.

2. The Wild and Scenic Rivers Act 1968.

3. The Wilderness Act of 1964.

4. Central Idaho Wilderness Act (CIWA) of 1980.

Drawing participants enter required information electronically into a Forest Service database. Forest Service personnel (river managers and clerks) in Forest offices associated with each river, check received hardcopy applications for completeness and errors prior to entry into database. Applicants are encouraged to submit applications electronically.

Applicants provide:

1. Photo Identification Number.
2. State of Identification and type of ID (Driver's license, Passport, Other).
3. Name.
4. Mailing Address.
5. Other contact information: e-mail address, day and evening phone numbers, fax number.
6. Choice of launch dates and rivers (up to four choices).
7. Payment information (*i.e.* check or money order number) or if paying by

credit card respondent submits the administrative fee of \$6.00 via www.pay.gov.

Information submitted by the public is stored, maintained, and used as outlined in Privacy Act System of Records USDA/FS-55, National Recreation Reservation System.

This information collection is vital to continued management of the aforementioned rivers. Without this management tool, the Agency is unable to control river use. The ability to control use of these rivers is vital to maintaining the superior health and vitality of these waterways. Collecting drawing applications during a specific time each year, will ensure that river users are able to obtain permits in time for the annual floating season.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 15 minutes.

Type of Respondents: Individuals.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 16,200.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 4,050.

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 submission request toward Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: November 12, 2008.

Charles L. Myers,

Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Modoc County Resource Advisory Committee, Alturas, California 96101, USDA Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committees Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 110-343) the Modoc National Forest's Modoc County Resource Advisory Committee will meet Monday, December 1, 2008 in Alturas, California 96101, for a business meeting. The meetings are open to the public.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The business meeting on December 1, 2008, will begin at 4 pm., at the Modoc National Forest Office, Conference Room, 800 West 12th St., Alturas, California 96101. Agenda topics will include election of Chairperson, review of Charter and Guidelines, and discussion of the process for receiving project proposals that meet the intent of Public Law 110-343. Time will also be set aside for public comments at the beginning of the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stan Sylva, Forest Supervisor and Designated Federal Officer, at (530) 233-8700; or Rural Development and Partnership Specialist Dina McElwain at (530) 233-8723.

Stanley G Sylva,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

United States Standards for Beans

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Final notice.

SUMMARY: The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is revising the U.S. Standards for Beans to provide applicants for service with an optional grade designation for bean certification; and to remove the requirements that the percentage of high moisture and, in the case of Mixed Beans, the percentage of each class in the mixture, be shown on the grade line.

These changes will facilitate use of the standards and better reflect current marketing practices.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 19, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly A. Whalen at USDA, GIPSA, FGIS, Market and Program Analysis Staff, Beacon Facility, STOP 1404, P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, Missouri 64141; Telephone (816) 823-4648; Fax Number (816) 823-4644; e-mail Beverly.A.Whalen@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

GIPSA published a notice in the *Federal Register* on April 17, 2007 (72 FR 19168), inviting comments regarding the revision of the U.S. Standards for Beans to provide applicants for service with an optional grade designation for bean certification; and to remove the requirements that the percentage of high moisture and, in the case of Mixed Beans, the percentage of each class in the mixture, be shown on the grade line.

The notice provided an opportunity for interested parties to forward written comments to GIPSA until May 17, 2007. Due to a continued high level of interest in the notice, on February 1, 2008 (73 FR 6111), GIPSA reopened the comment period until April 1, 2008, to provide interested parties with additional time in which to comment.

The U.S. Standards for Beans do not appear in the Code of Federal Regulations; the U.S. Department of Agriculture maintains the standards. The process for developing or revising these standards is specified in the regulations in 7 CFR 868.102, Procedures for Establishing and Revising Grade Standards. You may view or print the U.S. Standards for Beans from the GIPSA Web site at <http://www.gipsa.usda.gov> or by contacting GIPSA by phone, fax, or e-mail using the information provided above under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

Comment Review

GIPSA received one comment submitted on behalf of the U.S. Dry Bean Council (USDBC). USDBC represents the national U.S. dry bean industry, including growers, shippers, dealers, canners, and state and regional trade associations. The USDBC comment supported our proposed changes.

Final Action

Accordingly, GIPSA is revising the U.S. Standards for Beans to provide applicants for service with an optional grade designation for bean certification;