approve our use of these information collection activities for an additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

- (1) Evaluate 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;
- (2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected: and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, and other collection technologies; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.75 hours per response.

Respondents: Applicants who apply for facility approval; owners/operators of permanent, privately owned horse quarantine facilities; facility employees; authorities who issue environmental certifications; employees of security companies.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 11.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 2.5454.

Estimated annual number of responses: 28.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 21 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, this 4th day of September 2009.

#### Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

## Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2009-0037]

## Determination of Pest-Free Areas in the Republic of South Africa; Request for Comments

**AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** We are extending the comment period for our notice that would recognize 16 additional magisterial districts in 3 provinces as pest-free areas for citrus black spot in the Republic of South Africa. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments

**DATES:** We will consider all comments that we receive on or before October 13, 2009.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/

main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2009-0037 to submit or view comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.

• Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Please send two copies of your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2009–0037, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. APHIS– 2009–0037.

Reading Room: You may read any comments that we receive on this docket in our reading room. The reading room is located in Room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690–2817 before coming.

Other Information: Additional information about APHIS and its programs is available on the Internet at http://www.aphis.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Phillip B. Grove, Regulatory Coordination Specialist, Regulatory Coordination and Compliance, PPQ, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 141, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734–6280.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On July 27, 2009, we published in the **Federal Register** (74 FR 36999–37000, Docket No. APHIS–2009–0037) a notice of determination to recognize 16 additional magisterial districts in 3 provinces as pest-free areas for citrus black spot in the Republic of South Africa.

Comments on the notice were required to be received on or before September 25, 2009. We are extending the comment period on Docket No. APHIS-2009-0037 until October 13, 2009. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 450, 7701–7772, and 7781–7786; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

Done in Washington, DC, this 3rd day of September 2009.

#### Kevin Shea.

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

#### Natural Resources Conservation Service

# Notice of Proposed Change to Section IV of the Virginia State Technical Guide

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of proposed changes in the Virginia NRCS State Technical Guide for review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** It has been determined by the NRCS State Conservationist for Virginia that changes must be made in the NRCS State Technical Guide specifically in practice standard: #528, Prescribed Grazing. This practice will be used to plan and install conservation practices.

**DATES:** Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John A. Bricker, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 1606 Santa Rosa Road, Suite 209, Richmond, Virginia 23229–5014; Telephone number (804) 287–1691; Fax number (804) 287–1737. Copies of the practice standards will be made available upon written request to the address shown above or on the Virginia NRCS Web site: http://www.va.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/draftstandards.html.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section** 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law to NRCS State technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Virginia will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Virginia regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made to the subject standards.

Dated: September 1, 2009.

#### John A. Bricker,

State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Richmond, Virginia. [FR Doc. E9–22122 Filed 9–14–09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–16–P

#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

[Docket No. 0906261096-91224-02] RIN 0648-ZC08

## Comparative Analysis of Marine Ecosystem Organization; Amendment

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce; National Science Foundation (NSF).

**ACTION:** Notice of funding availability; amended solicitation.

SUMMARY: NOAA and NSF publish this notice to amend the Federal Funding Opportunity (NOAA-NMFS-FHQ-2009-2001734) entitled "Comparative Analysis of Marine Ecosystem Organization (CAMEO)" which was originally announced in the Federal Register on July 7, 2009. This notice announces changes to the program priorities.

DATES: Full proposals must be received and validated by Grants.gov, postmarked, or provided to a delivery service on or before 11:59 p.m. ET, October 5, 2009. Please note: Validation or rejection of your application by Grants.gov may take up to 2 business days after submission. Please consider this process in developing your submission timeline. Applications received after the deadline will be rejected/returned to the sender without

further consideration. Use of U.S. mail or another delivery service must be documented with a receipt. No facsimile or electronic mail applications will be accepted.

ADDRESSES: Electronic application packages are strongly encouraged and are available at: http://www.grants.gov/. If the applicant's only mode of submitting a proposal is via paper application, or if the applicant has difficulty accessing Grants.gov or downloading the required forms, they should contact: Lora Clarke, CAMEO, NOAA Fisheries, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 14505, Silver Spring, MD, 20910 or by phone at (301) 713 2239, or via internet at Lora.Clarke@noaa.gov.

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supplementary information: NOAA and NSF publish this notice to inform the public of an amendment to the solicitation "Comparative Analysis of Marine Ecosystem Organization (CAMEO)" announced in the Federal Register on July 7, 2009 (74 FR 32112). Due to an error, only four of the five program priorities were announced in the original solicitation. The Full Funding Opportunity is amended to read:

## **Program Priorities**

This funding opportunity will implement CAMEO research by supporting the development of research tools and strategic approaches. The following types of proposals are encouraged:

- 1. Development of strategies and methodologies for comparative analyses that can be applied consistently across spatial and temporal scales and ecosystems, and that facilitate the design of decision support tools for marine populations, ecosystems and habitats.
- 2. Development of models that address key scientific questions by comparing ecosystems and ecosystem processes. Models that are geographically and temporally portable, and that incorporate assessment of

modeling skill, are particularly encouraged.

3. Retrospective studies that analyze, re-analyze or synthesize existing information (historic, time-series, ongoing program, etc.) using a comparative approach.

4. Studies that integrate the human dimension within ecosystem dynamics. The CAMEO program seeks to promote interdisciplinary research using comparative approaches to link marine ecosystem research with the social and behavioral sciences in new and vital ways.

5. Empirical or retrospective projects that evaluate and compare the effectiveness and design of Marine Protected Areas or other spatiallyexplicit management strategies.

All information and requirements published in the Federal Register on July 7, 2009 apply to applications submitted pursuant to this notice. Under this amended solicitation, NOAA and NSF allow for modifications to applications already received under the initial announcement. Any proposal that has been submitted to the initial solicitation prior to September 15, 2009 may be resubmitted to reflect this change in program priorities. Applicants may revise proposals to address this change; however, any revisions to such proposals must be submitted by the original deadline.

The following sections of that Federal Funding Opportunity have been amended to reflect the changes announced in this notice: "Program Priorities".

## **Electronic Access**

The full text of the full funding opportunity announcement for this program can be accessed via the Grants.gov web site at <a href="http://www.grants.gov">http://www.grants.gov</a>. The announcement will also be available by contacting the program officials identified under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Applicants must comply with all requirements contained in the full funding opportunity announcement.

# **Statutory Authority**

Authority for CAMEO is provided by the following: 33 U.S.C. 1442 for the National Marine Fisheries Service and 42 U.S.C. 1861 75 for the National Science Foundation.

CFDA: 11.472, Unallied Science Program

## **Limitation of Liability**

In no event will NOAA, the Department of Commerce or the National Science Foundation be responsible for proposal preparation