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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Consumer Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request—Evaluation of the State Nutrition Education Network Cooperative Agreements

AGENCY: Food and Consumer Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Food and Consumer Service's intention to request Office of Management and Budget approval of the Evaluation of the State Nutrition Education Network Cooperative Agreements.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by December 8, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed 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 the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of 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 may be sent to: Michael E. Fishman, Acting Director, Office of Analysis and Evaluation, Food and Consumer Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget

(OMB) approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the proposed information collection forms should be directed to Michael E. Fishman, (703) 305-2117.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Evaluation of the State Nutrition Education Network Cooperative Agreements.

OMB Number: Not yet assigned.

Expiration Date: N/A.

Type of Request: New collection of information.

Abstract: The evaluation of the State Nutrition Education Network Cooperative Agreement projects is intended to help the Food and Consumer Service identify the most effective strategies for establishing and sustaining state-level nutrition education networks. It is not designed to measure the performance of any particular individual or State. Information gathered from States will be aggregated so that important trends relating to network development can be identified. Overarching questions guiding this evaluation process include: (1) How effective were the processes employed by cooperators in reaching the goals of the project? (2) What lessons can be learned about effective development of nutrition education networks? and; (3) What can FCS do to foster the development of statewide nutrition education networks?

Twenty-two State nutrition support networks are participating in the evaluation. Interviews will be conducted with the project director(s), network coordinators, the food stamp agency representative and up to five other key network members one to three times over the course of two years. Template protocols have been developed and will be tailored to the unique background and environment of each State. For several of the States, interviews will be held in person as part of a site visit to the State; for the remainder, interviews will be conducted by telephone.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden is estimated to range between 3 and 5 hours for the Project Director and the Network Coordinator, and 1 to 2 hours for other network members. One to three interviews will be conducted over two years.

Respondents: Interviews will be conducted with the project director(s), network coordinators, the food stamp agency representative and up to five other key network members.

Estimated Number of Respondents: An average of eight respondents for the 22 networks or a total of 176.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: Two.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 748 hours.

Dated: September 19, 1997.

Yvette S. Jackson,

Acting Administrator, Food and Consumer Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Public Briefing on Development of a U.S. Action Plan on Food Security

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a public meeting regarding development of a U.S. Action Plan on Food Security will take place on November 5, to brief the public on a discussion paper that is being developed on international topics to be addressed in the U.S. Action Plan and to respond to questions and receive reactions. A similar meeting will be held in December on domestic topics. The purpose of these meetings is to facilitate public participation in the process of developing the U.S. Action Plan on Food Security.

DATES: The meeting will be held November 5, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Room 107A, Administration Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture in Washington, D.C.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. The discussion paper will be released to the public on World Food Day, October 16 and will be available on the U.S. Government Food Security home page (<http://www.fas.usda.gov/icd/summit/summit.html>). Additional information will also be posted on the home page.

Requests for copies of the paper and inquiries may be directed to the Office of the National Food Security Coordinator, Foreign Agricultural

Service, Room 3008 South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14th and Independence Ave. SW, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 690-0776 or fax (202) 720-6103.

The topics to be addressed at the November 5 meeting are as follows:

Combined International/Domestic Topic

1. Human Rights as a Framework for Food Security

Priority International Topics

2. Appropriate Research, Education, and Extension for Food Production and Food Systems Economically, Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Agriculture
3. Measuring Hunger and Mapping Risk
4. Economic Policy, Trade, and Food Distribution
5. Prioritize the Allocation of Foreign Assistance to Promote Food Security Health, Nutrition, and Population Stabilization The Role of Women
6. Effective Use of Food Aid to Promote Food Security
7. Maximizing and Targeting Resources.

Signed in Washington, DC, September 30, 1997.

Christopher E. Goldthwait,

Acting Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee will meet on October 30 and 31, 1997 at the Trinity County Library, 211 N. Main Street, Weaverville, California. On October 30, the meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m. The meeting on October 31 will resume at 8 a.m. and adjourn at 3 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Socio-economic considerations associated with the Northwest Forest Plan; (2) a presentation concerning the January 1997 storm damage; (3) subcommittee reports; and (4) public comment periods. All PAC meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Connie Hendryx, USDA, Klamath National Forest, at 1312 Fairlane Road,

Yreka, California 96097; telephone 916-842-6131, (FTS) 700-467-1309.

Dated: October 2, 1997.

Barbara Holder,

Forest Supervisor and Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality will meet to discuss the relationship between agricultural production and air quality. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will convene Wednesday, October 29, 1997 at 9 a.m. and continue until 4 p.m. The meeting will resume Thursday, October 30, 1997 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should reach the Natural Resources Conservation Service on or before October 27, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle NW, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 842-1300. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should be sent to George Bluhm, University of California, Land, Air, Water Resources, 151 Hoagland Hall, Davis, CA 95616-6827.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Bluhm, Designated Federal Official, telephone (916) 752-1018, fax (916) 752-1552.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2. Additional information about the Task Force on Agricultural Air Quality, including any revised agendas for the October 29-30, 1997 meeting that may appear after this **Federal Register** Notice is published, may be found on the World Wide Web at <http://www.nhq.nrcs.usda.gov/BCS/air/farmbill.html>.

Draft Agenda of the October 29-30, 1997, Meeting

- A. Opening Remarks
 1. Welcome to Washington—P. Wakelyn
 2. Comments and introductions from the Chair—P. Johnson

B. Past Actions

1. Report on the letter of advice on air research needs to the Secretary—J. Trotter
2. Senate Agriculture Committee hearing on agricultural air quality—P. Wakelyn, S. Shaver
3. House Agriculture Committee hearing on agricultural air quality—C. Parnell, Jr.
4. EPA regional haze rules—S. Shaver
- C. Status Reports on Efforts in Progress
 1. MOU between USDA and EPA—S. Shaver, G. Bluhm
 2. Agricultural burning—B. Odum
 3. Oversight issues—W. Hambleton
 4. PM research issues—M. Cunha, R. Flocchini
 5. Ozone issues—J. Miller
 6. Health effects—T. Ferguson, V. Chavez
 7. Monitoring issues—C. Parnell Jr.
 8. Odorants—J. Sweeten
- D. New Issues and Parking Lot
 1. Nitrous oxide—J. Smith
 2. Carbon sequestration CRP—T. Elliot
 3. As time allows, other issues brought up by the public or Task Force members

E. Set date and location for next meeting

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. At the discretion of the Chair, members of the public may present oral presentations during the October 29-30 meeting. Persons wishing to make oral presentations should notify George Bluhm no later than October 27, 1997. If a person submitting material would like a copy distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting, that person should submit 25 copies to George Bluhm no later than October 27, 1997.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities or to request special assistance at the meeting, contact George Bluhm as soon as possible.

Lee P. Herndon,

Director, Institutes Division.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: October 14, 1997; 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20547.