

Estimated Number of Respondents: 56,170.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 11,673 hours.

Comments

The Agencies are soliciting comments on the burden of all of the above subparts regarding: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (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. These comments should be sent to Phillip Elder, Senior Loan Officer, USDA, FSA, Farm Loan Programs, Loan Servicing Division, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., STOP 0523, Washington, DC 20250-0523.

Copies of the information collections may be obtained from Mr. Elder at the above address. Comments regarding paperwork burden will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Signed in Washington, DC, on January 20, 1998.

Bruce R. Weber,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

Jan E. Shadburn,

Administrator, Rural Housing Service.

Dayton J. Watkins,

Administrator, Rural Business—Cooperative Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Committee of Scientists Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: A meeting of the Committee of Scientists is scheduled for February 12-13, 1998, in Seattle, Washington. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss planning issues concerning the National

Forests in the Pacific Northwest (Washington and Oregon) and Alaska Regions; to meet with representatives from federal, state, and tribal organizations, to share information and ideas about Committee members' assignments; to continue discussions on the scientific principles underlying land and resource management; and to conduct any other Committee business that may arise. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for February 12-13 in Seattle, Washington.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the University Plaza Hotel, 400 NE 45th Street, Seattle, Washington.

Written comments on improving land and resource management planning may be sent to the Committee of Scientists, P.O. Box 2140, Corvallis, OR 97339. Also the Committee may be accessed via the Internet at www.cof.orst.edu/org/scicomm/.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bob Cunningham, Designated Federal Official to the Committee of Scientists, telephone: 202-205-2494.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On February 12, the Committee of Scientists meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 7 p.m. On February 13, the meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. Citizens may address the Committee, February 12, beginning at 4 p.m., to present ideas on how to improve National Forest System land and resource management planning. Citizens who wish to speak must register at the meeting before 4 p.m. Each speaker will be limited to a maximum of 5 minutes. Persons may also submit written suggestions to the Committee at the meeting or by mail at the addresses listed under the Addresses heading.

The Committee of Scientists is chartered to provide scientific and technical advice to the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chief of the Forest Service on improvements that can be made to the National Forest System land and resource management planning process (62 FR 43691; August 15, 1997). Notice of the names of the appointed Committee members was published December 16, 1997 (62 FR 65795). Agendas and locations for future meetings will be published as separate notices in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 22, 1998.

Robert C. Joslin,

Deputy Chief for National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Willamette Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Willamette PAC Committee will meet on Thursday, February 19, 1998, at the Courtyard By Marriott, 3443 Hutton Street, Springfield, Oregon 97477; phone (541) 726-2121. The PAC Committee meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. to approximately 3:00 p.m. The tentative agenda includes: (1) Riparian Reserves, (2) Update on Province Late-Successional Reserve Assessment, (3) Update from Interagency Advisory Committee Staff, (4) Decision on response to 1997 Monitoring results, and (5) Public Forum.

The public forum is tentatively scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. Time allotted for individual presentations will be limited to 3 minutes. Written comments are encouraged. Written comments may be submitted prior to the meeting by sending them to Designated Federal Official Neal Forrester at the address given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more information regarding this meeting, contact Designated Federal Official Neal Forrester, Willamette National Forest, 211 East Seventh Avenue, Eugene, Oregon 97401; (541) 465-6924.

Dated: January 22, 1998.

Herbert L. Wick,

Natural Resources Staff Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business—Cooperative Service

Maximum Portion of Guarantee Authority Available for Fiscal Year 1998

AGENCY: Rural Business—Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: As set forth in the final rule under 7 CFR part 4279, subpart B, each fiscal year the Agency shall establish a limit on the maximum portion of guarantee authority available for that fiscal year that may be used to guarantee loans with a guarantee fee of 1 percent or guaranteed loans with a guarantee percentage exceeding 80 percent.

Allowing the guarantee fee to be reduced to 1 percent or exceeding the 80 percent guarantee on certain guaranteed loans that meet the conditions set forth in subpart B of part 4279 will allow for the targeting of projects in rural communities that remain persistently poor, experience long-term population decline and job deterioration, and other related criteria.

Not more than 7 percent of the Agency quarterly apportioned guarantee authority will be reserved for loan requests with a guarantee fee of 1 percent, and not more than 15 percent of the Agency quarterly apportioned guarantee authority will be reserved for guaranteed loan requests with a guaranteed percentage exceeding 80 percent. Once the above quarterly limits have been reached, all additional loans guaranteed during the remainder of that quarter will require a 2 percent guarantee fee and not exceed an 80 percent guarantee limit.

Written requests by the Rural Development State Office for approval of a guaranteed loan with a 1 percent guarantee fee or a guaranteed loan exceeding 80 percent must be forwarded to the National Office, Attn.: Director, Business Programs Processing Division, for review and consideration prior to obligation of the guaranteed loan. The Administrator will provide a written response to the State Office confirming approval or disapproval of the request.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 28, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kenneth E. Hennings, Senior Loan Specialist, Business Programs Processing Division, Rural Business—Cooperative Service, USDA, Stop 3221, Washington, DC 20250-3221, telephone (202) 690-3809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866.

Dated: January 11, 1998.

Dayton J. Watkins,

Administrator.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Hearing on Police-Community Relations—Sonoma County

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of hearing.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given pursuant to the provisions of the Civil Rights Commission Amendments Act of 1994, Section 3, Public Law 103-419,

108 Stat. 4338, as amended, and 45 CFR 702.3, that a public hearing before a Subcommittee of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will commence on Friday, February 20, 1998, beginning at 8:30 a.m., in the Justice Joseph A. Rattigan Building, in Conference Room 410, located at 50 D Street, Santa Rosa, CA 95404.

The purpose of the hearing is to collect information within the jurisdiction of the Commission, under 45 CFR 702.2, related particularly to administration of justice, police-community relations, and the interaction between Federal and local law enforcement agencies in Sonoma County in order to determine underlying causes contributing to allegations of excessive force by police and other administration of justice officials.

The Commission is authorized to hold hearings and to issue subpoenas for the production of documents and the attendance of witnesses pursuant to 45 CFR 701.2(c). The Commission is an independent bipartisan, factfinding agency authorized to study, collect, and disseminate information, and to appraise the laws and policies of the Federal Government, and to study and collect information with respect to discrimination or denials of equal protection of the laws under the Constitution because of race, color, religion, sex, age, disability, or national origin, or in the administration of justice.

Hearing impaired persons who will attend the hearing and require the services of a sign language interpreter, should contact Betty Edmiston, Administrative Services and Clearinghouse Division at (202) 376-8105 (TDD (202) 376-8116), at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Brooks, Press and Communications (202) 367-8312.

Dated: January 23, 1998.

Stephanie Y. Moore,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-475-818, A-489-805]

Certain Pasta From Italy and Turkey: Notice of Extension of Time Limits for Antidumping Duty First Administrative and New Shipper Reviews

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 28, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward Easton or John Brinkmann, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-1777 and (202) 482-5288, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Postponement of Preliminary Results

A. First Administrative Reviews

On August 28, 1997, the Department initiated the first administrative reviews of the antidumping duty orders on certain pasta from Italy and Turkey, covering the period January 19, 1996 through June 30, 1997 (62 FR 45621). The current deadline for the preliminary results of these reviews is April 2, 1998. Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("the Act"), requires the Department to make a preliminary determination in an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period, section 751(a)(3)(A) allows the Department to extend this time period to up to 365 days.

We determine that it is not practicable to complete this review within the original time frame because this review involves collecting and analyzing information from a large number of companies and examining allegations of sales below the cost of production for all companies. Although section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows for an extension of up to 120 days, we believe at this time that only a limited extension of the deadline is necessary to analyze the complex legal and methodological issues and coordinate verification of the companies participating in these reviews. Accordingly, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results of these administrative reviews by 90 days, or