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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Outreach

Notice of Intent To Seek Approval To Conduct an Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Outreach, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR Part 1320 (60 FR 44978, August 29, 1995), this notice announces the Office of Outreach's intention to request approval for a new information collection, the USDA Minority Farm Register.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by December 27, 1999 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Charles Whitaker, Office of Outreach, 542-A Jamie Whitten Federal Building, Washington, DC 20250, (202) 720-6350.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: USDA Minority Farm Register.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval to conduct an information collection.

Abstract: The purpose of this information collection is to create a Minority Farm Register which is a voluntary register of minority land owners that documents the amount of farmland owned by minorities. The Minority Farm Register will establish a baseline for the amount of farmland owned by minority land owners in order to help the USDA set goals to halt the reduction in minority-owned farm land, monitor the loss of minority-owned farms, and locate minority farmers for the purpose of informing them of USDA and other programs that may benefit them. The concept was generated by Recommendation #28 of the Report of the Civil Rights Action Team to the

Secretary of Agriculture entitled Civil Rights at the United States Department of Agriculture, dated February 1997. The Minority Farm Register will be administered by the Office of Outreach. A specific register sign-up form will be issued in Spanish and English. Informational registration material will be distributed to Community Based Organizations, educational institutions, and government agencies assisting minorities with land retention and acquisition and will be distributed on the Internet to ensure the program is widely publicized and accessible to all. The Office of Outreach is requesting a 3 year approval.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 5 minutes per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 54,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 4,500 hours.

Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from Charles Whitaker at (202) 720-6350.

Comments

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, such as through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to: Charles Whitaker, Office of Outreach, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 542-A Jamie Whitten Federal Building, Washington, DC 20250.

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.

Signed at Washington, DC, September 15, 1999.

Sharron L. Harris,

Acting Director, Office of Outreach.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet on November 4, 1999, at the Bureau of Land Management, 1717 Fabry Road (SE), Salem, Oregon. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 3:30 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Information sharing among PAC Members, and (2) National Forest System Land and Resource Management Planning; Proposed Rule. Committee meetings are open to the public. One 30-minute open public forum is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend. The committee welcomes the public's written comments on committee business at any time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joni Quarnstrom, Public Affairs Specialist, Siuslaw National Forest (541-750-7075), or write to the Acting Forest Supervisor, Siuslaw National Forest, P.O. Box 1148, Corvallis, Oregon 97339.

Dated: October 15, 1999.

Jose L. Linares,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Deletion and Suspension of Effective Date of Addition

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed deletion and suspension of effective date of addition to procurement list.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received a proposal to delete a service to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities and to suspend the effective date of the addition of the service to the Procurement List.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: November 22, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed action.

The service was added to the Procurement List by notice published in the September 24, 1999, **Federal Register** (64 FR 51734). Pending a decision on this deletion proposal, the effective date of the addition (October 25, 1999) is suspended.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.
2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the service to the Government.
3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the service deleted from the Procurement List.

The following service has been proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Full Food and Dining Facility Attendant, Fort Polk, Louisiana

Beverly L. Milkman,
Executive Director.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed additions to and deletions from Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee has received proposals to add to the Procurement List services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and to delete commodities previously furnished by such agencies.

COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE: November 22, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Crystal Gateway 3, Suite 310, 1215 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-4302.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beverly Milkman (703) 603-7740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the possible impact of the proposed actions.

Additions

If the Committee approves the proposed additions, all entities of the Federal Government (except as otherwise indicated) will be required to procure the services listed below from nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the services to the Government.
2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the services to the Government.
3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the services proposed for addition to the Procurement List. Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the statement(s) underlying the certification

on which they are providing additional information.

The following services have been proposed for addition to Procurement List for production by the nonprofit agencies listed:

Base Supply Center, Detroit Arsenal, Warren, Michigan
NPA: Associated Industries for the Blind, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
Base Supply Center, Pope Air Force Base, North Carolina
NPA: Lions Club Industries, Inc., Durham, North Carolina
Base Supply Center and Operation of Individual Equipment Element Store, Grand Forks Air Force Base, North Dakota
NPA: Envision, Inc., Wichita, Kansas
Grounds Maintenance, Southern Maryland District Courthouse, 6500 Cherrywood Lane, Greenbelt, Maryland
NPA: The Arc of Montgomery County, Inc., Rockville, Maryland

Janitorial/Grounds Maintenance

Evo DeConcini Federal Courthouse, 405 West Congress Street, Tucson, Arizona
NPA: Tetra Corporation, Tucson, Arizona
Operation of Individual Equipment Element Store, Lackland Air Force Base, Texas
NPA: San Antonio Lighthouse, San Antonio, Texas
Operation of Individual Equipment Element Store and Hazardous Material Pharmacy, Fairchild Air Force Base, Washington
NPA: Envision, Inc., Wichita, Kansas

Deletions

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.
2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities to the Government.
3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities proposed for deletion from the Procurement List.

The following commodities have been proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Marker, Tube Type, Broad Tip

7520-01-424-4855
7520-01-424-4880
7520-01-424-4849
7520-01-424-4870

Meal Kits

8970-01-E59-0239C
8970-01-E59-0240C
8970-01-E59-0241C
8970-01-E59-0242C