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Dated: March 15, 2007.

Joanne Paskar,
Chief, Information and Records Division,
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AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Notice of Public Information Collection Requirements Submitted to OMB for Review

SUMMARY: U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) has submitted the following information collections to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding this information collection are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Comments should be sent via e-mail to David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov or fax to 202-395-7285. Copies of submission may be obtained by calling (202) 712-1365.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

OMB Number: OMB 0412-0565.

Form Number: N/A.

Title: Certification Agreement.

Type of submissions: Reinstatement.

Purpose: The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) needs to require applicants for assistance to certify that it does not and will not engage in financial transactions with, and does not and will not provide material support and resources to individuals or organizations that engage in terrorism. The purpose of this requirement is to assure that USAID does not directly provide support to such organizations or individuals, and to assure that recipients are aware of these requirements when it considers individuals or organizations are subrecipients.

Annual reporting burden:

Respondents: 2,000.

Total annual responses: 4,000.

Total annual hours requested:
1,500.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

March 19, 2007.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13. Comments 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 should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Title: Field Crops Production.

OMB Control Number: 0535-0002.

Summary of Collection: One of the National Agricultural Statistics Services' (NASS) primary functions is to prepare and issue current state and national estimates of crop and livestock production. The general authority for collecting these NASS collects information on field crops to monitor agricultural developments across the country that may impact on the nation's food supply. To help set these estimates, field crops production data is collected. NASS will collect information through the use of mail, telephone, and personnel interviews surveys.

Need and Use of the Information: NASS collects information on field crops to monitor agricultural developments across the country that may impact on the nation's food supply. The Secretary of Agriculture uses estimates of crop production to administer farm program legislation and to make decisions relative to the export-import programs. Collecting this information less frequently would eliminate the data needed to keep the Department abreast of changes at the State and national level.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profits.

Number of Respondents: 350,075.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly, Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 118,624.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection
Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; Research Data Archive Use Tracking

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, Research Data Archive Use Tracking.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before May 21, 2007 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Dave Rugg; Forest Service, USDA; 1992 Folwell Avenue; St. Paul, MN 55108.

Comments also may be submitted via facsimile to (651) 649-5285 or by e-mail to: drugg@fs.fed.us.

The public may inspect comments received at Forest Service—Northern Research Station, 1992 Folwell, Avenue, St. Paul, MN, during normal business hours. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (651) 649-5000 or (651) 649-5173 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dave Rugg, Forest Service, Northern Research Station, 651-649-5173. Individuals who use TDD may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Research Data Archive Use Tracking.

OMB Number: 0596-New.

Type of Request: New.

Abstract: The Forest Service Research and Development (FS R&D) group is planning to create a data archive to store and disseminate data collected in the course of its scientific research. Preparing data sets for the archive requires significant effort from researchers. The Forest Service has an obligation to encourage ethical use of archived FS R&D data sets and needs to know how others are using the archived data sets. This information assists FS R&D personnel in evaluating the research program. Information about the use of the products of a scientist's research is of significant importance in scientist performance evaluations.

When a member of the public requests a copy of a data set, FS R&D will collect the following information: Name; affiliation; contact information (including e-mail address); Statement of Intended Use; and Data Use Agreement. The Data Use Agreement and associated information collection closely follow the data access structure used by the National Science Foundation's Long Term Ecological Research network. FS R&D managers believe that this structure provides a sound balance between meeting obligations to its scientific staff and ease-of-access by the research community. The Statement of Intended Use will not determine access to a particular data set.

A form at the archive web site will collect the information. Forest Service

archive staff will review the individual Data Use Agreements prior to approving release of the data set to the requestor. This review is solely to ensure that submitted information is complete and correct.

The data set author will use the Data Use Agreements to describe the impact of research accomplishments prior to performance appraisals.

The collection of Data Use Agreements will be evaluated by the data archiving program to identify opportunities for improving the archive's function and offerings; the FS R&D communications office will use the agreements to assist in assessing the effectiveness of FS R&D research and technology transfer.

The proposed FS R&D data archive is a new activity and participation is voluntary. This information collection is a critical component in the campaign to encourage Forest Service scientists to deposit their research data in the archive system. Sharing research data is very useful to the broader research community and sharing of well-documented FS R&D data sets via the archive will be impossible without this information collection.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 10-15 minutes.

Type of Respondents: Scientists, particularly in fields studying natural resources; resource specialists in nonprofits and other government agencies.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 100.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 25.

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

request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: March 16, 2007.

Ann M. Bartuska,

Deputy Chief for Research and Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Roadless Area Conservation National Advisory Committee Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; Committee charter renewal.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Agriculture is renewing the charter of the Roadless Area Conservation National Advisory Committee, under the authority of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 5 U.S.C. App II). The purpose of the Roadless Area Conservation National Advisory Committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary on management and conservation of roadless areas. This includes, but is not limited to, petitions by States to the Secretary, or his designee, under the authority of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 553(e) and 7 CFR 1.28.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bill Supulski, National Roadless Coordinator, at bsupulski@fs.fed.us or (202) 205-0948, USDA Forest Service, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Mailstop 1104, Washington, DC 20250. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture intends to renew the charter of the Roadless Area Conservation National Advisory Committee (Committee). The Secretary has determined the work of this Committee is in the public interest and relevant to the duties of the Department of Agriculture. The purpose of the Roadless Area Conservation National Advisory Committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Secretary on management and conservation of roadless areas. This includes, but is not limited to, petitions by States to the Secretary, or his designee, under the authority of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 553(e) and 7 CFR 1.28. The Committee