

gaps between their expectations and management perception.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 500.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 80.

Animal Plant and Health Inspection Service

Title: Pine Shoot Beetle Host Material from Canada.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0257.

Summary of Collection: Under the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701-7772), the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to prohibit or restrict the importation, entry, or movement of plants and plant pests to prevent the introduction of plant pests into the United States or their dissemination within the United States. The Animal Plant and Health Inspection Service (APHIS) have established restrictions on the importation of pine shoot beetle host material into the United States from Canada. Pine shoot beetle (PSB) is a pest of pine trees. It can cause damage in weak and dying trees where reproductive and immature stages of PSB occur, and in the new growth of healthy trees. PSB can damage urban ornamental trees and can cause economic losses to the timber, Christmas trees, and nursery industries.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect the information using Compliance Agreements, Written Statements, and Canadian Phytosanitary Certificates to protect the United States from the introduction of pine shoot beetle and other plant diseases.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for profit; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 2,340.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 94.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

March 20, 2008.

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, Public Law 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.

Forest Service

Title: Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Study.

OMB Control Number: 0596-NEW.

Summary of Collection: The Wilderness Act of 1964 directs that the National Wilderness Preservation System be managed to protect natural wilderness conditions and to provide outstanding opportunities for the public to find solitude or primitive and unconfined types of recreational experiences. To help meet Federal agencies' mandates related to recreation, scientists at the Aldo Leopold Wilderness Research Institute periodically monitor and report to managers and the public, visitor use and user characteristics and visitor feedback on management actions on federal lands, including National Wildlife Refuges.

Need and Use of the Information: This study will only ask recreation visitors questions about their recreation

visit, their personal demographics relevant to education and service provision, and factors that have influenced or are likely to influence their recreation visits. Agency personnel will use the collected information to ensure that visitors' recreational activities do not harm the natural resources of the refuge and that wilderness-type recreation experiences are protected. The information it provides will also be used to inform the Refuge's upcoming Comprehensive Conservation Plan revision and in the development of its Wilderness Stewardship and Public Use Management Plans.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 140.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Commodity Credit Corporation

Information Collection: Long Term Contracting System (LTCS)

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency and Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Farm Service Agency and Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) at Kansas City Commodity Office (KCCO) are seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on an extension with revision of a currently approved information collection associated with the Long Term Contracting System. This collection is necessary for the procurement of agricultural commodities by KCCO for domestic feeding programs. Vendors bidding on long-term invitations complete and submit their offers on-line through the Long Term Contracting System (LTCS), which records the system date/time that the offer was submitted and ensures that the data remains secured within the system until bid opening time.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before May 27, 2008 to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comment, include date and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

E-mail: Send comments to:

khristy.baughman@kcc.usda.gov.

Fax: (816) 926-1648.

Mail: Khristy Baughman, Chief, Business Operations Support Division, Kansas City Commodity Office (KCCO), P.O. Box 419205, Kansas City, Missouri 64141-0205.

Comments also should be sent to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for USDA, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Khristy Baughman, Chief, Business Operations Support Division, phone (816) 926-1200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Long Term Contracting System (LTCS).

OMB Number: 0560-0249.

Type of Request: Extension with revisions.

Abstract: The Long Term Contracting System (LTCS) is a Web-based application that streamlines the bid entry and evaluation functions for Long-Term, Indefinite-Delivery, Indefinite-Quantity (IDIQ) contracts. KCCO will generally issue invitations for bids to purchase commodities for domestic feeding programs on an annual, semi-annual, quarterly, or monthly basis; however, invitations may be issued more frequently, depending on various program requirements. Bid offers are received, evaluated, and awarded within the LTCS. Interested vendors submit a price per destination for each product, along with their available capacities per delivery period/month, and their answers to specific certification questions. The information collected is processed through the LTCS bid evaluation program to determine optimal awards. KCCO will analyze the results of the bid evaluation and award contracts to the eligible, responsible and responsive bidders whose offers are most advantageous to USDA in terms of the lowest overall cost. It is necessary to collect this information in order to evaluate bids impartially. The LTCS automatically ties together monthly allocation contracts with the applicable long-term contract, and since LTCS will access real-time data, users are able to access up-to-the-minute contract award information. Vendors can access LTCS on-line prior to bid opening time to submit, modify, or withdraw their offers. The automated process of LTCS

significantly reduces the chance for errors in awards and reduces recordkeeping errors associated with the former manual process of tracking contract data.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for collecting information under this notice is estimated to average 23 hours per response.

Respondents: Interested vendors.

Respondents: 20.

Estimated Number of Annual Responses per Respondent: 2.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 920 hours.

Comments are invited on:

- (1) 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) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhancing the quality, utility and clarity of the information collected; or
- (4) Minimizing the burden of the collection of the 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.

All responses to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Signed at Washington, DC, on March 19, 2008.

Teresa C. Lasseter,

Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation, Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Information Collection; Transfer of Farm Records Between Counties

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) is seeking comments from interested individuals and organizations on an extension of a currently approved information

collection associated with transferring of farm records from one administrative county office to another.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before May 27, 2008 to be assured consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Farm Service Agency, USDA, Attn: Alison Groenwoldt, Agricultural Program Specialist, Common Provisions Branch, 1400 Independence Ave., SW., Washington, DC 20250. Comments should also be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. Comments also may be submitted by e-mail to: alison.groenwoldt@wdc.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alison Groenwoldt, Agricultural Program Specialist, (202) 720-4213 and alison.groenwoldt@wdc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description of Information Collection

Title: Transfer of Farm Records Between Counties.

OMB Control Number: 0560-0253.

Type of Request: Extension with no revision.

Abstract: Farm owners or operators may elect to transfer farm records between counties when the principal dwelling of the farm operator has changed, a change has occurred in the operation of the land, or a change has occurred that would cause the receiving administrative county office to be more accessible such as a new highway and relocation of the county office building site. The transfer of farm records is also required when an FSA county office closes. FSA County Committees from both the transferring and receiving county must approve or disapprove all proposed farm transfers. In some cases, the State Committee and/or the National Office must also approve or disapprove proposed farm transfers.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response. The average travel time, which is included in the total annual burden, is estimated to be 1 hour per respondent.

Type of Respondents: Owners and operators.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 29,175 hours.

Comment is invited on:

- (1) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper