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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2008-0062]

Availability of Site-Specific Environmental Assessment and Pest Risk Assessment for the Interstate Movement of Garbage From Hawaii to Oregon

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comments.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service has prepared a site-specific environmental assessment and pest risk assessment relative to a request to allow the interstate movement of garbage from Hawaii to a landfill in the State of Oregon. The environmental assessment has been prepared to determine whether the request is consistent with the environmental effects and impacts analyzed in our March 2008 regional programmatic environmental assessment as well as to evaluate potential site-specific environmental impacts of the proposed action. The pest risk assessment evaluates the risks associated with the interstate movement of garbage from Hawaii to Oregon. We are making these documents available to the public for review and comment.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before September 2, 2008.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2008-0062> to submit or view comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Please send two copies of your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2008-0062, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. APHIS-2008-0062.

Reading Room: You may read any comments that we receive in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690-2817 before coming.

Other Information: Additional information about APHIS and its programs is available on the Internet at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Shannon Hamm, Associate Deputy Administrator, Policy and Program Development, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 20, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; (301) 734-4957.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The importation and interstate movement of garbage is regulated by the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) under 7 CFR 330.400 and 9 CFR 94.5 in order to protect against the introduction into and dissemination within the United States of plant and animal pests and diseases.

On March 13, 2008, we published in the *Federal Register* (73 FR 13525, Docket No. APHIS-2007-0070) a notice in which we announced the availability, for public review and comment, of a regional programmatic environmental assessment relative to the interstate movement of municipal solid waste from Hawaii to landfills in the States of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. On June 18, 2008 (73 FR 34700-34701, Docket No. APHIS-2007-0070), we published a follow-up notice in which we announced the availability of our final regional programmatic environmental assessment and finding of no significant impact.

In our March 2008 notice, we stated that as new requests to move municipal solid waste from Hawaii are received, a

specific environmental analysis will be prepared relative to each request to determine whether the request is consistent with the environmental effects and impacts analyzed in our regional programmatic environmental assessment. We also stated that the specific environmental analyses prepared for each new request to move municipal solid waste will be made available for a 30-day public comment period, after which APHIS will announce its environmental and pest risk decision regarding the new municipal solid waste movement proposal.

In accordance with the process described in our March 2008 notice, we have prepared a site-specific environmental assessment to ensure that the circumstances surrounding a new request we have received fit within the criteria evaluated in the regional programmatic environmental assessment as well as to evaluate potential site-specific environmental impacts of the proposed action. The site-specific assessment, titled "Site Specific Environmental Assessment for Off Island Transfer Proposal to Transport Municipal Solid Waste from Hawaii to Columbia Ridge Landfill," is accompanied by a pest risk assessment.

The pest risk assessment, titled "The Risk of Introducing Pests to Gilliam County, Oregon via Hawaiian Plastic-Baled Municipal Solid Waste" (June 2008), evaluates the plant pest risks associated with the interstate movement of garbage from Hawaii to the Columbia Ridge Solid Waste Landfill in Gilliam County, OR.

We are making these documents available to the public for review and comment. We will consider all comments that we receive on or before the date listed under the heading **DATES** at the beginning of this notice. The environmental assessment and pest risk assessment may be viewed on the Internet on the Regulations.gov Web site or in our reading room (see **ADDRESSES** above for instructions for accessing Regulations.gov and information on the location and hours of the reading room). You may request paper copies of the documents by calling or writing to the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Please refer to the title of the document(s) you wish to receive when requesting copies.

Following the conclusion of the comment period, we will announce our environmental and pest risk decision regarding the new municipal solid waste movement proposal.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 450, 7701–7772, 7781–7786, and 8301–8317; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

Done in Washington, DC, this 25th day of July 2008.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Call for Nominations.

SUMMARY: The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, (NUCFAC) will be filling three positions that will be expiring at the end of December 2008. Interested applicants may download a copy of the application and position descriptions from the U.S. Forest Service's Urban and Community Forestry Web site: <http://www.fs.fed.us/ucf/>.

DATES: Nomination applications are to be postmarked by September 3, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Nomination Applications should be addressed to: Nancy Stremple, Executive Staff to National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Yates Building (1 Central) MS–1151, Washington, DC 20250–1151.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Stremple, Executive Staff or Robert Prather, Staff Assistant to National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Yates Building (1 Central) MS–1151, Washington, DC 20250–1151, phone 202–205–1054.

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: Please submit hard copy nomination applications only.

Positions to be filled are for:

- A person that is not an officer or employee of any government body

living in a city with a population of more than 50,000 and who has experience and has been active in urban and community forestry.

- A person representing academic institutions with an expertise in urban and community forestry activities.
- A person representing forest products, nursery, or related industries.

Dated: July 25, 2008.

Robin L. Thompson,

Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; List of Gear by Fisheries and Fishery Management Council

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before September 29, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Mark R. Millikin, (301) 713–2341 or Mark.Millikin@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Under the provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery and Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) [16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*], as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act (Pub. L. 104–297), the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) is required to publish a list of all fisheries

under authority of each Regional Fishery Management Council (Council) and all such fishing gear used in such fisheries (see section 305(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act). The list has been published and appears in 50 CFR part 600.725(v). Any person wishing to use gear not on the list, or engage in a fishery not on the list, must provide the appropriate Council or the Secretary, in the case of Atlantic highly migratory species with a 90-day advance notice. If the Secretary takes no action to prohibit such a fishery or use of such a gear, the person may proceed.

II. Method of Collection

The respondent provides written notice. No form is used.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0346.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20.

Estimated Time Per Response: 90 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 30.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$300.

IV. Request for 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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: July 25, 2008.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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