

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Submission for OMB Review;
Comment Request**

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Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Title: Small Socially-Disadvantaged Producer Grant Program.

OMB Control Number: 0570-0052.

Summary of Collection: The Small Socially-Disadvantaged Producer Grant Program was authorized by section 2744 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 2006, Public Law 109-97. The Act provides for the Secretary of Agriculture to make grants to cooperatives or associations of cooperative whose primary focus is to

provide assistance to small producers and whose governing board and/or membership are comprised of at least 75 percent socially-disadvantaged.

Need and Use of the Information: Rural Business Service needs to receive the information contained in this collection of information to make prudent decisions regarding eligibility of applicants and selection priority among competing applicants, to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations and to evaluate the projects it believes will provide the most long-term economic benefit to rural areas.

Description Of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 30.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually; Semi-Annually; and Monthly.

Total Burden Hours: 468.

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Food and Nutrition Service

Title: Summer Food Service Program Claim for Reimbursement.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0041.

Summary of Collection: The Summer Food Service Program Claim for Reimbursement Form is used to collect meal and cost data from sponsors to determine the reimbursement entitlement for meals served. The form is sent to the Food and Nutrition Service's (FNS) Regional Offices where it is entered into a computerized payment system. The payment system computes earnings to date and the number of meals to date and generates payments for the amount of earnings in excess of prior advance and claim payments. To fulfill the earned reimbursement requirements set forth in the Summer Food Service Program Regulations issued by the Secretary of Agriculture (7 CFR 225), the meals and the cost data must be collected on the FNS-143, Claim for Reimbursement form.

Need and Use of the Information: FNS will collect information to manage, plan, evaluate, and account for government resources. If the information is not collected on the claim form, the sponsor could not receive reimbursement.

Description of Respondents: State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 111.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other: (3 per year).

Total Burden Hours: 167.

Food and Nutrition Service

Title: 7 CFR Part 225, Summer Food Service Program.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0280.

Summary of Collection: Section 13 of the National School Lunch Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 1761, authorizes the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). The SFSP provides assistance to States to initiate and maintain nonprofit food service programs for needy children during the summer months and at other approved times. Under the program, a sponsor receives reimbursement for