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Forest Service

Title: National Survey on Recreation and the Environment 2011.

OMB Control Number: 0596-0127.

Summary of Collection: Authorizing legislation for this collection is the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act, Public Law 93-378-88 Stat. 475. This collection is a multi-agency partnership. Participating Federal Agencies include the Forest Service (FS), Economic Research Service (ERS) (U.S. Department of Agriculture), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (U.S. Department of Commerce) Bureau of Land Management (Department of the Interior), U.S. Coast Guard and the Environmental Protection Agency.

These Federal agencies are responsible for oversight of public lands, waterways or marine sanctuaries. Each manages for or otherwise influences recreation opportunities. The collection and analysis of public demand data is vital to defining effective policies and to implementation of programs affecting the management and use of water, forest, and wildlife resources. The National Survey on Recreation and the Environment (NSRE) 2011 will be the latest in a series of surveys begun in 1960 as the National Recreation Survey. This survey is the primary, consistent source of recreation participation data concerning the U.S. population.

Need and Use of the Information: FS will collect information nationally from the public to assess trends in recreation participation over the years since the survey was last conducted and to estimate demand for outdoor recreation among the U.S. population. In addition, the survey will collect information from the public on people's attitudes and values toward natural resources and their management. FS will use the information as well as other federal agencies to develop long-range strategic plans, adjust programs and activities to meet customer needs and expectations, and better manage federally owned lands.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households.

Number of Respondents: 56,830.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Other (one time)

Total Burden Hours: 2,757.

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Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: U.S. Origin Health Certificate.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0020.

Summary of Collection: The Animal Health Protection Act (AHPA) of 2002 is the primary Federal law governing the protection of animal health. The AHPA is contained in Title X, Subtitle E, Sections 10401-18 of Public Law 107-171, May 13, 2002, the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002. As part of its mission to facilitate the export of U.S. animals and products, the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), Veterinary Services (VS), maintains information regarding the import health requirements of other countries for animals and animal products exported from the United States. Most countries require a certification that the animals are disease free. The VS form 17-140, U.S. Origin Health Certificate, and VS form 17-145, U.S. Origin Health Certificate for the Export of Horses from the United States to Canada, are used to meet these requirements. The form is authorized by 21 U.S.C. 112.

Need and Use of the Information: The U.S. Origin Health Certificate is used in connection with the exportation of animals to foreign countries and is completed and authorized by APHIS veterinarian. The information collected is used to: (1) Establish that the animals are moved in compliance with USDA regulations, (2) verify that the animals destined for export are listed on the health certificate by means of an official identification, (3) verify to the consignor and consignee that the animals are healthy, (4) prevent unhealthy animals from being exported and (5) satisfy the import requirements of receiving countries.

The collection of this information helps to prevent unhealthy animals from being exported from the United States. If these certifications were not provided, other countries would not accept animals from the United States.

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

Number of Respondents: 2,056.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 13,875.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Brucellosis in Sheep, Goats, Horses, and Payment of Indemnity.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0185.

Summary of Collection: The Animal Health Protection Act (AHPA) of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8301), is the primary Federal law governing the protection of animal health. The law gives the Secretary of Agriculture broad authority to detect, control, or eradicate pests or diseases of livestock or poultry. The agency charged with carrying out this disease prevention mission is the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS). Disease prevention is the most effective method for maintaining a healthy animal population and enhancing APHIS' ability to compete in the world market of animal and animal product trade. Brucellosis is an infectious disease of animals and humans caused by the bacteria of the genus *Brucella*. It is mainly a disease of cattle, bison, and swine, sheep, goats, and horses are also susceptible, but are rarely infected. There is no economically feasible treatment for brucellosis in livestock. APHIS will collect information using APHIS forms VS 1-23, Indemnity Claim, VS 4-33, Test Records, and VS 1-27, Permit for Movement of Restricted Animals.

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information from the use of official seals and animal identification; indemnity claims, test records, and permits; and the submission of proof of destruction documentation and requests for extension of certain program-related deadlines. The information will provide indemnity to owners of sheep, goat, or horses destroyed because of brucellosis. Without the information, it would make it impossible for APHIS to administer an indemnity program for sheep, goats, and horses destroyed because of brucellosis.

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

Number of Respondents: 3.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 8.

Animal Plant and Health Inspection Service

Title: Importation of Emerald Ash Borer Host Material from Canada.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0319.

Summary of Collection: The United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), is responsible for preventing plant diseases or insect pests from entering the United States, preventing the spread of pests and noxious weeds not widely distributed in the United States, and eradicating those imported pests when eradication is feasible. Under the Plant Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 7701—*et seq.*), 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 regulations in 7 CFR Part 319, "Foreign Quarantine Notices," prohibit or restrict the importation of certain plants and plant products to prevent the introduction or dissemination of plant pests and noxious weeds into the United States. The Foreign Quarantine Notices regulations prohibit or restrict the importation of certain articles from Canada that present the risk of being infested with Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). EAB is a destructive wood-boring insect that attacks ash trees (*Praxinus* spp., including green ash, white ash, and several horticultural varieties of ash).

Need and Use of the Information: APHIS will collect information using phytosanitary certificates, permit applications, and certificates of inspection. If APHIS did not collect this information, EAB could damage ash trees and cause economic losses to nursery stock and the nursery industry.

Description of Respondents: Business or other-for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 6.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 4.

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