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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

February 11, 2014.

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.

Comments regarding this information collection received by March 20, 2014 will be considered. Written comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725-17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20502. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA\_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

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.

### Farm Service Agency

*Title:* 7 CFR 765, Direct Loan Servicing—Regular.

*OMB Control Number:* 0560-0236.

*Summary Of Collection:* Authority to establish the regulatory requirements contained in 7 CFR 765 is provided under 5 U.S.C. 301, which provides that “The Head of an Executive department or military department may prescribe regulations for the government of his department, the distribution and performance of its business. . . .” The Secretary delegated authority to administer the provisions of the Act applicable to the Farm Loan Program (FLP) to the Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Service in section 2.16 of 7 CFR part 2. FLP provides loans to family farmers to purchase real estate equipment and finance agricultural production. The regulations covered by this information collection package describes, the policies and procedures the agency uses to service most FLP loans to ensure borrowers are meeting the requirements of their loan agreements.

*Need and Use Of The Information:* Information requested under this collection is submitted to the office serving the county in which their business is headquartered. The information is used by the agency to consider whether a borrower is in compliance with their loan covenants, assist the borrower in achieving their business goals, conduct day-to-day management of the agency's loan portfolio, and ensure that the agency's interests are protected. Failure to collect the information or collecting it less frequently could result in the failure of the farm operation or loss of agency security property or position.

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

*Number Of Respondents:* 52,735.

*Frequency Of Responses:* Reporting: On occasion; Annually.

*Total Burden Hours:* 76,573.

**Ruth Brown,**

*Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Klamath National Forest; California; McCollins Late Successional Reserve Habitat Restoration Project

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Klamath National Forest will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to document and publicly disclose the environmental effects of treatments proposed to: Promote the continued development and retention of late successional old growth conditions; promote resilience of early- and mid-seral vegetation to large scale disturbance events such as wildfire or insects and disease; restore and maintain pine/oak forest type, oak woodlands, and wildlife habitat; and, reduce wildfire threat and potential fire intensity within the Wildland Urban Interface, especially surrounding private residences and structures. Treatments are proposed on about 2,700 acres and consist of commercial and non-commercial thinning, and, piling and burning of activity generated fuels. The project area is located east of Horse Creek, in Siskiyou County, California. Legal location: Township 46 North Range 9 West Sections 9, 10, 15-22, 27-33; and Township 46 North Range 10 West Sections 13, 21-28, and 32-36; Mount Diablo Meridian.

**DATES:** Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by March 20, 2014. The draft environmental impact statement is expected December 2014 and the final environmental impact statement is expected June 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to Patricia A. Grantham, ATTN: Kim Crider, Project Leader, Happy Camp/Oak Knoll Ranger District, 63822 Highway 96, Klamath National Forest, Happy Camp, California 96039. Submit electronic comments at the Klamath

National Forest's project Web page: [http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa\\_project\\_exp.php?project=38559](http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=38559) by selecting the "Comment on Project" link in the "Get Connected" group at the right hand side of the project Web page. Put the project name in the subject line; attachments may be in the following formats: plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), Word (.doc, .docx), or portable document format (.pdf). Send comments via facsimile to 530-493-1796.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Crider, Project Leader, phone: 530-493-1724, email: [kcrider@fs.fed.us](mailto:kcrider@fs.fed.us). 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 Time, Monday through Friday. Proposal information is also available on the Klamath National Forest's project Web page at: [http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa\\_project\\_exp.php?project=38559](http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/nepa_project_exp.php?project=38559).

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Purpose and Need for Action**

A Forest Service interdisciplinary team composed of specialists from a wide array of disciplines in conjunction with interested parties, considered the need for change and potential actions in the project area. The collaboration efforts included a public meeting and field trip. The IDT identified the following purpose and need for the project by comparing the existing conditions in the project area with the desired conditions described in the Klamath National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan and Late Successional Reserve Assessments: (1) Promote the continued development and retention of Late Successional Old Growth conditions; (2) Promote resilience of early- and mid-seral vegetation to large-scale disturbance events such as wildfire or insects and disease; (3) Restore and maintain pine/oak forest type, oak woodlands, and wildlife habitat; and (4) Reduce wildfire threat and potential fire intensity within the WUI, especially surrounding private residences and structures.

##### **Proposed Action**

The Klamath National Forest proposes actions to move the project area from the existing condition to the desired condition. Project design features and best management practices are incorporated into the proposed action. Acres by treatment type are described below and do not account for the overlap in treatment types. Treatment acreages are approximate at this point and may be adjusted and refined

following the opportunity to provide scoping comments.

No roads will be added to, or removed from, the National Forest Transportation System as part of this project. To facilitate commercial treatments and reduce log skidding distances and associated impacts to soils and other resources, the proposed action includes temporary access along sixteen segments of existing roadbeds totaling about 1.34 miles and 0.36 miles of new temporary roadbed construction within the project area. Both existing and new temporary roadbeds will be closed, and where needed, hydrologically stabilized following project implementation.

About 137 landings will be needed to treat commercial units. Of these, 125 are existing landings and about twelve new landings will be constructed. About 102 landings will be roadside continuous landings averaging one-tenth of an acre in size. Thirty-five landings will be needed for ground based units; landings will average from one-third to one-half acre in size.

**Commercial Thinning:** Commercial thinning treatments will use tractor, mechanized and cable logging systems to treat about 590 acres. Treatment prescriptions will vary by unit, and will be guided by topographic location, amount of disease present, and desired regeneration species. Treatment of trees larger than 20 inches diameter at breast height (dbh) will be considered as needed to meet the project objectives. Commercial utilization of wood fiber will be a by-product of the need for treatment in Late Successional Reserves and Riparian Reserves. Where possible, commercial thinning will involve whole tree yarding or yarding with tops attached. This will limit fuel accumulation in harvest units by allowing for limbs and tops to be piled and burned at landings. Other post-harvest fuel treatment methods will be considered as deemed necessary by a fuels specialist and may include: Grapple piling and burning, hand piling and burning, lop and scatter, or no treatment.

**Mastication:** Mastication will be used on about 164 acres to reduce fuel bed depth, raise crown base height, increase fuel to ground contact to promote decomposition and generate more fine materials.

**Non-commercial Thinning:** Non-commercial thinning on about 1,269 acres, will involve cutting trees less than nine inches dbh, piling, and burning using hand methods. This will reduce ladder fuels and surface fuels, while promoting tree growth rates.

**Non-commercial Thinning Adjacent to Private Property:** Non-commercial

thinning on about 656 acres of National Forest System lands within 500 feet of private property will involve cutting, piling, and burning of trees less than nine inches dbh using hand methods. This will reduce ladder fuels and surface fuels, while promoting tree growth rates.

**Oak Stand Improvement:** Oak stand improvement treatments on about 20 acres involves removal of conifers encroaching on black and white oaks. Trees less than nine inches dbh will be cut, piled, and burned using hand methods or non-commercial means. This will reduce ladder fuels and surface fuels, while promoting oak growth rates and mast production.

**Treatment in Riparian Reserves:** There are about 335 acres (43 acres of proposed commercial thinning; and 292 acres of proposed non-commercial thinning) of stream associated riparian reserves within proposed treatment units. Thinning in riparian reserves is planned where necessary to meet desired conditions as described in the Klamath National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan. Trees of commercial value that are thinned will be left on site, except where large woody debris and/or coarse woody debris is above reference condition in which case they may be removed to produce wood fiber as a by-product.

##### **Responsible Official**

Patricia A. Grantham, Klamath National Forest Supervisor.

##### **Nature of Decision To Be Made**

The responsible official will decide whether to adopt and implement the proposed action, an alternative to the proposed action, or take no action to change existing conditions within the project area.

##### **Scoping Process**

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments should be as specific as possible. We are particularly interested in hearing about any potential issues, which are defined as points of discussion, dispute, or debate about the effects of the proposed action. Your participation will help the interdisciplinary team develop effective, issue-driven alternatives and mitigations to the proposed action as needed.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the

agency's preparation of the environmental impact statement. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer's concerns and contentions.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered, however.

Dated: February 10, 2014.

**Patricia A. Grantham,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce.

**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:** Comments must be submitted April 21, 2014.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments may be submitted to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [Jjessup@doc.gov](mailto:Jjessup@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Glenna Mickelson at [gmickelson@doc.gov](mailto:gmickelson@doc.gov) or on (202) 482-5190.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

Executive Order 12862 directs Federal agencies to provide service to the public that matches or exceeds the best service available in the private sector. In order to work continuously to ensure that the Department of Commerce (DOC) programs are effective and meet our

customers' needs we use a generic clearance process to collect qualitative feedback on our service delivery. This collection of information is necessary to enable DOC to garner customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with our commitment to improving service delivery. The information collected from our customers and stakeholders will help ensure that users have an effective, efficient, and satisfying experience with the programs. This feedback will provide insights into customer or stakeholder perceptions, experiences and expectations, provide an early warning of issues with service, or focus attention on areas where communication, training or changes in operations might improve delivery of products or services. These collections will allow for ongoing, collaborative and actionable communications between DOC and its customers and stakeholders. It will also allow feedback to contribute directly to the improvement of program management.

Feedback collected under this generic clearance will provide useful information, but it will not yield data that can be generalized to the overall population. This type of generic clearance for qualitative information will not be used for quantitative information collections that are designed to yield reliably actionable results, such as monitoring trends over time or documenting program performance.

This request is an extension of the 'generic fast-track' process offered to all government agencies by OMB in 2010. Fast-track means each request receives approval five days after submission, if no issues are brought to DOC's attention by OMB within the five days. Since 2011, DOC has successfully submitted 68 generic requests to OMB.

##### II. Method of Collection

The primary method of collection will be the Internet (electronically), paper format, email, fax, interviews, etc.

##### III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0690-0030.

*Form Number (s):* Not Applicable.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission (extension of a currently approved collection).

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households, Businesses or for-profit organizations, State, Local or Tribal Government, etc.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 244,710.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 5 to 30 minutes for surveys; 1 to 2 hours for

focus groups; 30 minutes to 1 hour for interviews.

*Estimated Total of Burden Hours:* 631, 334.

*Estimated Total Cost to Public:* \$0.

*Frequency of Requests:* One-time.

#### 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: February 11, 2014.

**Gwellnar Banks,**

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Economic Analysis

[Docket No. 140113033-4033-01]

#### BE-125: Quarterly Survey of Transactions in Selected Services and Intellectual Property With Foreign Persons

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Economic Analysis, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of reporting requirements.

**SUMMARY:** By this Notice, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), Department of Commerce, is informing the public that it is conducting the mandatory survey titled Quarterly Survey of Transactions in Selected Services and Intellectual Property with Foreign Persons (BE-125). This mandatory survey is conducted under the authority of the International Investment and Trade in Services Survey Act.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This Notice constitutes legal notification to all United States persons (defined