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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2016–0019]

Notice of Request for Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Scrapie in Sheep and Goats; Interstate Movement Restrictions and Indemnity Program

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request a revision to and extension of approval of an information collection associated with the current regulations for the interstate movement of sheep and goats and an indemnity program to control the spread of scrapie.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before June 28, 2016.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2016-0019>.
- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:*

Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2016–0019, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2016-0019> or in our reading room, which 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) 799–7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on the domestic regulations to control the spread of scrapie, contact Dr. Diane Sutton, National Scrapie Program Coordinator, Sheep, Goat, Cervid & Equine Health Center, Surveillance, Preparedness and Response Services, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 43, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851–3509. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Ms. Kimberly Hardy, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851–2727.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Scrapie in Sheep and Goats; Interstate Movement Restrictions and Indemnity Program.

OMB Control Number: 0579–0101.

Type of Request: Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: Under the Animal Health Protection Act (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is authorized, among other things, to prohibit or restrict the interstate movement of animals and animal products to prevent the dissemination within the United States of animal diseases and pests of livestock and to conduct programs to detect, control, and eradicate pests and diseases of livestock.

Scrapie is a progressive, degenerative, and eventually fatal disease affecting the nervous system of sheep and goats. Its control is complicated because the disease has an extremely long incubation period without clinical signs of disease and no known treatment.

APHIS regulations in 9 CFR part 79 restrict the interstate movement of certain sheep and goats to control the spread of scrapie, and 9 CFR part 54 contains regulations for an indemnity program, flock cleanup, testing, and a Scrapie Flock Certification Program (SFCP).

The scrapie disease control program information collection activities include cooperative agreements; grants; memorandums of understanding; APHIS forms for inspection and epidemiology data; applications to participate in the

SFCP; flock plans; post-exposure management and monitoring plans; record suspect/dead animals; scrapie test records; applications for indemnity payments; certificates, permits, and owner statements for the interstate movement of certain sheep and goats; applications for premises identification numbers; applications for official APHIS identification; designated scrapie epidemiologist training; and other program-related activities.

In addition, we are adding information collection activities that were previously overlooked as being part of the current domestic scrapie program¹ that include State responses associated with certificates of veterinary inspection, private laboratory requests for approval, responses by breed registry associations, epidemiology and identification compliance reporting, declination to respond, certification of completion of epidemiology training, and disposal cost information. We have adjusted the estimates of burden accordingly. In addition, the adjusted estimates also reflect increases in identification tag orders and the number of specimen submissions per laboratory to better represent our current activities.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities, as described, for an additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

- (1) Evaluate 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) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic,

¹ This notice and the information collection activities described are for the current regulations and not the amendments to the regulations described in the proposed rule published September 10, 2015 (FR 54660–54692, APHIS–2007–0127).

mechanical, and other collection technologies; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.19 hours per response.

Respondents: Flock owners; market owners, operators, or managers; dealers; slaughter plant owners, operators, or managers; feedlot owners, operators, or managers; tag manufacturers; managers of producer organizations; accredited veterinarians; and State animal health authorities.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 166,000.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 5.

Estimated annual number of responses: 854,694.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 1,021,526 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response. Responses and respondents include recordkeeping and record keepers, respectively.)

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Done in Washington, DC, this 25th day of April 2016.

Jere L. Dick,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of New Fee Site; Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108-447)

AGENCY: Carson National Forest, USDA Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of new fee site.

SUMMARY: The Carson National Forest is proposing to charge a \$175 fee for the overnight rental of the Aldo Leopold House and a \$50 fee for the overnight rental of the Lagunitas Guard Station. Neither facility has been available for recreation use prior to this date. Rentals of other cabins in the Southwestern Region have shown that people appreciate and enjoy the availability of historic rental cabins. Funds from both the rentals will be used for the continued operation and maintenance of each of the facilities. These fees are only

proposed and will be determined upon further analysis and public comment.

DATES: Send any comments about these fee proposals by August 2016 so comments can be compiled, analyzed and shared with a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee. Should the fee proposal move forward, both rentals will likely be available May 2017.

ADDRESSES: Forest Supervisor, Carson National Forest, 208 Cruz Alta Road, Taos, NM 87557.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon Cuevas, Recreation Fee Coordinator, (505) 842-3235.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Recreation Lands Enhancement Act (Title VII, Pub. L. 108-447) directed the Secretary of Agriculture to publish a six month advance notice in the **Federal Register** whenever new recreation fee areas are established.

This new fee will be reviewed by a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee prior to a final decision and implementation.

Currently no Federal or State agencies in the state of New Mexico offer overnight rentals of this type. Arizona, the neighboring state in Region 3, provides several historic properties for public rental and that program has become very successful.

The house consists of a 4 bedroom Craftsman Style Bungalow home that was built by Aldo Leopold in 1912 when he was the new Forest Supervisor on the Carson National Forest for himself and his new wife Estella Luna Ortero Bergere. The Leopold House is located in the small village of Tres Piedras New Mexico and is a one and a half story home with a large front porch. The interior of the first floor has four rooms that include a dining room, kitchen, library and bedroom. A large stone fireplace is the focal point of the home. The upstairs of the home includes 3 bunk style bedrooms. The home was restored by volunteers and the Forest Service in 2005 and has running water, electricity, propane heat and is fully furnished.

The Lagunitas Guard Station is a small single room cabin located in a remote setting approximately 20 miles west of Tres Piedras New Mexico. It is a simple facility, with no electricity, trash service or running water. The Guard Station is located adjacent to the small primitive Lagunitas Campground and the Lagunitas Lakes. For those visitors willing to make the long drive, the setting will not disappoint.

A business analysis of the Aldo Leopold House and Lagunitas Guard Station has shown that people desire having this sort of recreation experience

on the Carson National Forest. A market analysis indicates that the \$175/per night fee for the Leopold House and \$50/per night for the Lagunitas Guard Station is both reasonable and acceptable for this sort of unique recreation experience.

People wanting to rent either facility will need to do so through the National Recreation Reservation Service, at www.recreation.gov or by calling 1-877-444-6777. The National Recreation Reservation Service charges a \$9 fee for reservations.

Dated: April 19, 2016.

James Duran,

Carson National Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tahoe National Forest; Placer County, California; Squaw Valley to Alpine Meadows Base-to-Base Gondola Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

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

SUMMARY: In September 2015, the Tahoe National Forest (TNF) accepted an application from Squaw Valley Ski Holdings, LLC which proposes to install, operate, and maintain an aerial ropeway system connecting the Squaw Valley and Alpine Meadows ski areas. This proposal also included an alteration to current avalanche mitigation techniques including the installation of Gazex® exploders. Implementation of the proposal would require an amendment to an existing Special Use Permit (SUP) issued for the operation and maintenance of Alpine Meadows Ski Area (Alpine Meadows). The proposal is consistent with Alpine Meadows' current Master Development Plan (MDP) and passed the screening criteria for consideration to use National Forest System (NFS) lands and amend the existing permit consistent with Forest Service land use regulations.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by May 31, 2016. The draft environmental impact statement is expected in winter 2016 and the final environmental impact statement is expected in summer 2017.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Eli Ilano, Tahoe National Forest Supervisor, c/o NEPA Contractor, P.O. Box 2729, Frisco, CO 80443. Comments may also be submitted on the project