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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

7 CFR Parts 318, 319, 330, and 352

[Docket No. APHIS–2008–0076]

RIN 0579–AC98

Plant Pest Regulations; Update of Provisions

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: We are extending the comment period for our proposed rule that would revise our regulations regarding the movement of plant pests to propose criteria regarding the movement and environmental release of biological control organisms, and to establish regulations to allow the importation and movement in interstate commerce of certain types of plant pests without restriction by granting exceptions from permitting requirements for those pests. The proposal would also revise our regulations regarding the movement of soil. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published on January 19, 2017 (82 FR 6980) is extended. We will consider all comments that we receive on or before April 19, 2017.

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

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2008-0076>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2008–0076, 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/>

www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2008-0076 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: Dr. Colin D. Stewart, Assistant Director, Pests, Pathogens, and Biocontrol Permits Branch, Plant Health Programs, PPD, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 133, Riverdale, MD 20737–1236; (301) 851–2237.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On January 19, 2017, we published in the **Federal Register** (82 FR 6980–7005, Docket No. APHIS–2008–0076) a proposal to revise our regulations regarding the movement of plant pests to propose criteria regarding the movement and environmental release of biological control organisms and to establish regulations to allow the importation and movement in interstate commerce of certain types of plant pests without restriction by granting exceptions from permitting requirements for those pests. We also proposed to revise our regulations regarding the movement of soil.

Comments on the proposed rule were required to be received on or before March 20, 2017. We are extending the comment period on Docket No. APHIS–2008–0076 for an additional 30 days. This action will allow interested persons additional time to prepare and submit comments.

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 7th day of February 2017.

Michael C. Gregoire,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 117

[Docket No. USCG–2016–0330]

RIN 1625–AA09

Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Gulf Intracoastal Waterway, Sarasota, FL

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard proposes to modify the operating schedule of four bridges across the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway; Stickney Point, mile 68.6, Siesta Drive, mile 71.6, Cortez, mile, 87.4 and Anna Maria, mile 89.2, Drawbridges, Sarasota, FL. The request was made to the Coast Guard to change the operation of four drawbridges due to an increase in vehicle traffic throughout these areas at all times of the year. This proposed rulemaking would change the bridges' operating schedule from a three times an hour opening schedule to a twice an hour opening schedule throughout the year.

DATES: All comments and related material must be received by the Coast Guard on or before April 14, 2017.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments identified by docket number USCG–2016–0330 using Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>. See the “Public Participation and Request for Comments” portion of the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below for instructions on submitting comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions about this proposed rule, call or email, LT Ashley Holm, Coast Guard Sector St Petersburg, Florida; telephone (813) 228–2191 x8105, email Ashley.E.Holm@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
 DHS Department of Homeland Security
 FR Federal Register
 NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
 Pub. L. Public Law
 § Section
 U.S.C. United States Code