

commenters provide relevant information regarding specific localities or regions as soybean growth, crop management, and crop utilization may vary considerably by geographic region.

After the comment period closes, APHIS will review all written comments received during the comment period and any other relevant information; any substantive issues identified by APHIS based on our review of the petition and our evaluation and analysis of comments will be considered in the development of our decisionmaking documents.

As part of our decisionmaking process regarding a genetically engineered organism's regulatory status, APHIS prepares a plant pest risk assessment (PPRA) to assess its plant pest risk and the appropriate environmental documentation—either an environmental assessment (EA) or an environmental impact statement (EIS)—in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), to provide the Agency with a review and analysis of any potential environmental impacts associated with the petition request. For petitions for which APHIS prepares an EA, APHIS will publish a separate notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the availability of the EA and PPRA. Should we determine that an EIS is necessary, APHIS will complete the NEPA EIS process in accordance with Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR part 1500–1508) and APHIS' NEPA implementing regulations (7 CFR part 372).

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 7701–7772 and 7781–7786; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.3.

Done in Washington, DC, this 8th day of November 2017.

**Kevin Shea,**

*Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Farm Service Agency

#### Information Collection Request, Volunteer Program

**AGENCY:** Farm Service Agency, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) is requesting comments from all interested individuals and organizations on an extension of a currently approved

information collection associated with the Volunteer Program.

**DATES:** We will consider comments that we receive by January 16, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** We invite you to submit comments on this notice. In your comment, include the volume, date, and page number of this issue of the **Federal Register**. You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to: [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Follow the online instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail, Hand-Delivery or Courier:* Ms. Shannon (Logan) Morrison, USDA, FSA, Human Resources Division, HCSP1B, 355 E Street SW., 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20024.

You may also send comments to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503. Comments will be available for inspection online at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Copies of the information collection may be requested by contacting Shannon (Logan) Morrison at the above address. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communications should contact the USDA Target center at (202)720–2600 (voice).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For specific questions related to collection activities, Ms. Shannon (Logan) Morrison; (202) 401–0165.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Volunteer Program.

*OMB Control Number:* 0560–0232.

*Expiration Date for Approval:* January 31, 2018.

*Type of Request:* Extension.

*Abstract:* Section 1526 of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 (7 U.S.C. 2272) authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to establish a program (“the Volunteer Program”) to use volunteers to perform a wide range of activities to carry out the programs of the Department of Agriculture. In addition, 5 U.S.C. 3111 grants agencies the authority to establish programs designed to provide educationally-related work assignments for students in non-pay status. For FSA's volunteer program, each volunteer must follow the same responsibilities and guidelines for conduct that Federal government employees are expected to follow. The volunteers, who are mainly students participating in the sponsored volunteer program, must complete a service agreement, attendance records, and other forms, and provide the required supporting documents to FSA. The information will allow FSA to effectively recruit, train, and accept

volunteers to carry out programs supported by the Department of Agriculture, therefore benefitting volunteers, the Department of Agriculture, and the general public.

Without the information, FSA will be unable to document the services provided by the volunteers. FSA will report the collected information to offices within the Department of Agriculture and the Office of Personnel Management that request information on the Volunteer Program.

FSA continues to use forms AD–2022, AD–2023, AD–2024, and AD–2025 in the Volunteer Program. There is no change to the burden hours since the last OMB approval. Also, FSA will remove the FSA-related burden for form OF301 from the generic information collection request approved under OMB control number 0596–0080; FSA had previously used form OF301, but no longer uses that form.

For the following estimated total annual burden on respondents, the formula used to calculate the total burden hours is the estimated average time per response multiplied by the estimated total annual responses.

*Estimate of Average Time to Respond:* Public reporting burden for collecting information under this notice is estimated to average 15 minutes (0.25) per response for each of the 4 forms, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information for all respondent. Therefore, it would be an average 0.38 hours per response in this collection.

*Type of Respondents:* Any individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 20.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 4.

*Estimated Total Annual Responses:* 80.

*Estimated Average Time per Response:* 0.38 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 30 hours.

We are requesting comments on all aspects of this information to help us to:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed 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 the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Evaluate the quality, ability and clarity of the information technology; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the information collection on those who respond through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget Approval.

**Steven J. Peterson,**

*Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.*

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## ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

[Docket No. ATBCB-2017-0002]

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

**AGENCY:** Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

**ACTION:** 30-Day Notice and Request for Comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA), the Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) invites comment on the proposed extension of its existing generic clearance for the collection of qualitative feedback on agency service delivery, which expires in January 2018. (OMB Control No. 3014-0011, Expiration: Jan. 31, 2018). This information collection was developed as part of a Federal Government-wide effort to streamline the process for seeking feedback from the public on service delivery. In August 2017, the Access Board published a 60-day notice soliciting public comment on the proposed renewal of our generic clearance of qualitative feedback. 82 FR 37421 (Aug. 10, 2017). No comments were received. This notice, as required by the PRA, provides an additional 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Submit comments by December 15, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- **Email:** *OIRA\_submission@omb.eop.gov*. Include the OMB control number (3014-011) in the subject line of the message. Please also send a copy to *marshall@access-board.gov*.

- **Fax:** 202-395-5806, Attn: OMB Desk Officer for the U.S. Access Board. Include the OMB control number (3014-0011) in the subject line of the cover page. Please also fax a copy to 202-272-0081, Attn: Wendy Marshall.

- **Mail:** Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: OMB Desk Officer for the U.S. Access Board, Room 10235, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503. Include in your correspondence the OMB control number (3014-0011). Please also send a copy to Wendy Marshall, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Access Board, 1331 F Street NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004-1111.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Wendy Marshall, Attorney Advisor, Office of General Counsel, U.S. Access Board, 1331 F Street NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004-1111. Phone: 202-272-0043 (voice). Email: *marshall@access-board.gov*.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### A. Background

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*) (PRA) and its implementing regulations (5 CFR part 1320), Federal agencies must obtain approval from OMB for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor (*e.g.*, contractually-required information collection by a third-party). "Collection of information," within the meaning of the PRA, includes agency requests that pose identical questions to, or impose reporting or recordkeeping obligations on, ten or more persons, regardless of whether response to such request is mandatory or voluntary. *See* 5 CFR 1320.3(c); *see also* 44 U.S.C. 3502(3). Before seeking clearance from OMB, agencies are generally required, among other things, to publish both 60-day and 30-day notices in the **Federal Register** to inform the public about proposed extensions of previously-approved information collection, and provide opportunities for comment. *See* 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A); 5 CFR 1320.8(d)(1). In August 2017, the Access Board published a 60-day notice related to the proposed renewal of its generic clearance; no comments were received. The Access Board now publishes this notice to allow an additional 30 days for public comment.

##### B. Proposed Information Collection Request

With this notice, the Access Board provides notice of its intent to seek

renewal of its existing generic clearance for the collection of qualitative feedback on agency service delivery. We anticipate seeking OMB approval for revisions to the type (and number) of information collection activities relative to our existing generic clearance that expires in January 2018. Specifically, the Access Board intends to seek an increase in the number of approved respondents (and burden hours) under the generic clearance, primarily because we expect to solicit feedback from customers across a broader spectrum of agency programs and services that relate to technical assistance, training, and other education and outreach initiatives. To date, we have found the feedback garnered through qualitative customer satisfaction surveys (and similar information collections) to be beneficial, by providing useful insights in experiences, perceptions, opinions, and expectations regarding Access Board services or focusing attention on areas in need of improvement. We thus intend to seek approval for expansion of our current efforts to solicit qualitative customer feedback by seeking input from customers across a broader array of agency programs and services. Online surveys will be used unless the customer contacts the agency by phone for technical assistance or an individual otherwise expresses a preference for another survey format (*i.e.*, fillable form in portable document format or paper survey). In addition, paper surveys may be used to garner feedback from participants at in-person trainings or similar events.

*OMB Control Number:* 3014-0011.

*Title:* Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery.

*Type of Review:* Extension with revisions.

*Abstract:* The proposed information collection activity facilitates collection of qualitative customer and stakeholder feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with the Federal Government's commitment to improving service delivery. By qualitative feedback we mean information collections that provide useful insights on perceptions and opinions, but are not statistical surveys that yield quantitative results that can be generalized to the population of study. This feedback will provide insight 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 services. These collections will allow for ongoing,