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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Notice of Request for Approval of an Information Collection

AGENCY: Office of Communications, Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: This notice announces Office of Communications' to request a revision and extension of a currently approved information collection, Event Appearance for the Secretary or Members of his Staff, OMB Control number 0506-0005.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by June 8, 2020 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Office of Communications invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* This website provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

- *Mail, including CD-ROMs, etc.:* Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of Communications, Docket Clerk, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Mailstop 402A, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

- *Hand- or courier-delivered submittals:* Deliver to 1400 Independence Ave. Room 402A, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name, Office of Communications. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

Docket: For access to background documents or comments received, go to the Office of Communications Docket Room at 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Room 402A, Washington, DC 20250-3700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Brian Mabry, Office of Communications, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, 402A, Washington, DC 20250, 202-720-5831.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), this notice announces the intention of Office of Communications to request revision and extension an approved information collection.

Title: Event Appearance Requests for the Secretary or members of his staff.

OMB Number: 0506-0005.

Expiration Date of Approval: July 31, 2020.

Type of Request: Revision and extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: A web form collects information on events that the public would like the Secretary to participate in, or those in which the incoming Secretary may want to use to reach back out to interested parties to invite them to events. Information that will be collected is a follows: Organization, Address, Phone/Cell Number, First and last name of point of contact, Email Address, Type of event, Date of event, Event location, Secretary's role, Number of attendees, Press open or closed.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 min per response. There may be one or more responses per respondent.

Respondents: Individual, Businesses, Not-for-profit; State, Local or Tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 5,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 2,500.

Comments are invited on: (1) 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) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the

proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Brian Mabry, Office of Communications U.S. Department of Agriculture. All comments received will be available for public inspection during regular business hours at the same address.

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

Meghan Rodgers,

Director (Acting), Office of Communications.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

April 1, 2020.

The Department of Agriculture will submit the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. Comments are requested regarding: (1) 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) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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 these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received by

May 7, 2020. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function.

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.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS)

Title: Agricultural Resource Management and Chemical Use Surveys—Substantive Change.

OMB Control Number: 0535–0218.

Summary of Collection: General authority for these data collection activities is granted under U.S. Code Title 7, Section 2204 which specifies that “The Secretary of Agriculture shall procure and preserve all information concerning agriculture which he can obtain . . . by the collection of statistics . . .”. The primary objective of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) is to provide data users with timely and reliable agricultural production and economic statistics, as well as environmental and specialty agricultural related statistics. To accomplish this objective, NASS relies on the use of diverse surveys that show changes within the farming industry over time.

Using the Agricultural Resource Management Survey (ARMS) and the Vegetable Chemical Use Survey, NASS collects environmental data which includes cropping practices, fertilizer applications, pesticide usage for weeds, insects, fungus, mold, etc., and the use of various pest management practices. Through cooperative agreements with the Economic Research Service and the Office of Pest Management Policy NASS collects additional data to aid in their research. The additional questions that will be added to the questionnaires that were not in the original approval will address topics such as seed treatments, GPS enabled equipment, nutrient management, crop insurance, environmental regulations, organic production practices, etc. Complete listings of the questions added and

deleted have been added as supplemental documents to this submission.

This substantive change will not change the sample sizes of any of the surveys only the content of the ARMS II surveys for rice, corn and soybeans, the Vegetable Chemical Use Survey and the Cropping Practices Survey (done under a cooperative agreement with Mississippi State University). A detailed listing of the changes are attached to the docket submission. Based on the ARMS II and the Fruit Chemical Use surveys conducted in 2019, in which the field enumerators were asked to record beginning and ending times for personal interviews the changes in average burden per questionnaire a 10 to 15 minute increase was added to the questionnaires. This resulted in a net increase in respondent burden of 442 hours above the currently approved annual average total.

Need and Use of the Information: The Office of Pest Management Policy (OPMP), the Economic Research Service (ERS), and the Mississippi State University Extension Service (MSUES) will be able to better address changes in the farming practices and chemicals used on these crops that have occurred since the original approval of this docket.

Description of Respondents: Farms.

Number of Respondents: 16,815.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Once.

Total Burden Hours: 13,610.

Ruth Brown,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Michigan Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act that the Michigan Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. EST. The purpose of the meeting is to review the recommendations section of their report.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 14, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. EST.

Public Call Information: Dial: 888–254–3590, Conference ID: 6011106.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ana Victoria Fortes, DFO, at afortes@usccr.gov or 213–894–3437.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the above toll-free call-in number. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference call operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organization they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference room. Callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be mailed to the Regional Programs Unit Office, U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, 230 S. Dearborn St., Suite 2120, Chicago, IL 60604. They may also be emailed to Carolyn Allen at callen@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit Office at (312) 353–8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Michigan Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission’s website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Office at the above email or street address.

Agenda

- I. Welcome
- II. Approval of March 24, 2020 Minutes
- III. Review Report Draft
 - a. Update