DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

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United States Standards for Lentils

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the comment period for a notice for comment published in the Federal Register on September 29, 2020 is reopened. The publication invited comments on the revision to the method of interpretation for determining the special grade "Green," as it pertains to the class "Lentils," under the authority of the AMA.

DATES: The comment period for the proposed rule published on September 29, 2020 at 85 FR 60956 is reopened. Comments are due by December 23, 2020.

ADDRESSES: We invite you to submit written comments via the internet at http://www.regulations.gov. All comments should refer to the date and page number of this issue of the Federal Register. All comments submitted in response to the notice, including the identity of individuals or entities submitting comments, will be made available to the public on the internet via http://www.regulations.gov.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 29, 2020, AMS published a notice seeking comment on a proposal to amend the U.S. Standards for Lentils as well as the Pea and Lentil Inspection Handbook. The proposal would revise the special grade "Green," as it pertains to the class "Lentils," by revising the definition to state, "Clear seeded green color," and must contain less than 0.5 percent mottled lentils in the appropriate portion size. The original 30-day comment period provided in the proposed rule closed on October 29, 2020. A stakeholder submitted a comment requesting an extension of the comment period. The Agricultural Marketing Service is reopening the public comment period for an additional 30 days to ensure that interested persons have sufficient time to review and comment on the notice for comment. The comment period is reopened for 30 days from the date of publication of this notice.


Bruce Summers, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

November 18, 2020.

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 are requested regarding: 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; the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and 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 December 23, 2020 will be considered. 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.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: Volunteer Service Agreements and Volunteer Time and Attendance Record

OMB Control Number: 0579–New.


The regulations in Title 5 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Administrative Personnel, Part 308, authorizes an Agency to establish programs designed to provide educationally related volunteer assignments for students.

APHIS will collection information using MRP forms, 126A, Student Service Agreement and Recordkeeping; MRP 126B, Nonstudent Volunteer Service Agreement; and MRP 126C, Volunteer Time and Attendance Record.

Need and Use of the Information: This information collection is necessary to: (a) Facilitate establishment of guidelines for acceptance of volunteer services under the above authorities; (b) make a determination of individuals’ eligibility and suitability to serve as a volunteer in the Marketing and Regulatory Programs (MRP), USDA; and (c) comply with the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) regulation to require documentation of volunteer service. If this information collection is not conducted, MRP would not be able to determine the individual’s eligibility and suitability to serve as a volunteer.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or households and businesses.

Number of Respondents: 86.