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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employment and Training Administration

Notice of a Change in Status of the Extended Benefit (EB) Program for New York

AGENCY: Employment and Training Administration, Labor.

ACTION: Notice.

This notice announces a change in benefit period eligibility under the EB program that has occurred since the publication of the last notice regarding the States' EB status:

- New York State's law conditioned the applicability of Total Unemployment Rate (TUR) trigger on full Federal funding of EB benefits. The full Federal funding of the EB benefits is scheduled to expire September 6, 2021, resulting in the termination of the TUR trigger for New York and an "off" indicator effective August 15, 2021. Therefore, this will end any payable period associated with the TUR for New York on September 5, 2021.

The trigger notice covering state eligibility for the EB program can be found at: http://ows.doleta.gov/unemploy/claims_arch.as.

Information for Claimants

The duration of benefits payable in the EB program, and the terms and conditions on which they are payable, are governed by the Federal-State Extended Unemployment Compensation Act of 1970, as amended, and the operating instructions issued to the states by the U.S. Department of Labor. In the case of a state beginning an EB period, the State Workforce Agency will furnish a written notice of potential entitlement to each individual who has exhausted all rights to regular benefits and is potentially eligible for EB (20 CFR 615.13(c)(1)).

Persons who believe they may be entitled to EB, or who wish to inquire about their rights under the program, should contact their State Workforce Agency.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and

Training Administration, Office of Unemployment Insurance Room S-4524, Attn: Thomas Stengle, 200 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20210, telephone number (202) 693-2991 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email: Stengle.Thomas@dol.gov.

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Employment and Training Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; National Agricultural Workers Survey

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Labor's (DOL's) Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is soliciting comments concerning a proposed revision for the authority to conduct the information collection request (ICR) titled, "National Agricultural Workers Survey." This comment request is part of continuing Departmental efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all written comments received by November 2, 2021.

ADDRESSES: A copy of this ICR with applicable supporting documentation, including a description of the likely respondents, proposed frequency of response, and estimated total burden, may be obtained free by contacting Mr. Daniel Carroll by telephone at 202-693-2795 (this is not a toll-free number), TTY 1-877-889-5627 (this is not a toll-free number), or by email at carroll.daniel.j@dol.gov.

Submit written comments about, or requests for a copy of, this ICR by mail or courier to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, Office of Policy Development and Research, Room N-5641, 200 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20210; by email: carroll.daniel.j@dol.gov; or by Fax 202-693-2766.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Wayne Gordon by telephone at 202-693-3179 (this is not a toll-free number) or by email at gordon.wayne@dol.gov.

Authority: 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: DOL, as part of continuing efforts to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information before submitting them to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for final approval. This program helps to ensure requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements can be properly assessed.

The National Agricultural Workers Survey (NAWS) is an employment-based, annual survey of the demographic, employment, and health characteristics of hired crop workers, including those who employers hire indirectly through labor contractors. The survey began in 1988. Each year the NAWS contractor interviews between 1,500 and 3,500 crop workers. The contractor interviews crop workers three times per year to account for the seasonality of agricultural employment. ETA uses NAWS data to estimate each state's share of crop workers who are eligible for employment and training services through ETA's National Farmworker Jobs Program. Other Federal agencies similarly use the survey's data to estimate the number and characteristics of crop workers and their dependents who qualify to participate in or receive services from various migrant and seasonal farmworker programs. The United States Department of Agriculture periodically uses NAWS data, along with other data, to estimate changes in agricultural productivity.

ETA is seeking approval to continue the NAWS, with revisions. This request is to add supplemental questions to the survey to gather retrospective information on employment, health, and safety and health practices among crop workers during the Coronavirus pandemic. This collection is on behalf of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, under an inter-agency agreement with ETA. The additional employment information to be collected is:

- Whether the respondent missed any days of work in the last 12 months due to illness or fear of being ill.
- Where applicable, the number of missed workdays in the last 12 months that were related to COVID-19.
- Whether the respondent worked any days in the last 12 months while ill with COVID-19.