

programs designed to provide educationally related volunteer assignments for students.

APHIS will collect 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.

**Frequency of Responses:** Reporting; On occasion; Quarterly.

**Total Burden Hours:** 151.

**Ruth Brown,**

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

[Docket ID: NRCS-2023-0019]

#### Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of public and virtual meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will hold a public meeting of the Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Advisory Committee (UAIPAC). UAIPAC will convene to discuss proposed recommendations for the Secretary of Agriculture on the development of policies and outreach relating to urban, indoor, and other emerging agriculture production practices. UAIPAC is authorized under

the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (2018 Farm Bill) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended.

**DATES:**

**Meeting:** The UAIPAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2023, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

**Written Comments:** Written comments will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, December 13, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:**

**Meeting Location:** The meeting will be held virtually via Zoom Webinar. Pre-registration is required to attend the UAIPAC meeting and access information will be provided to registered individuals via email. Registration details can be found at: <https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/federal-advisory-committee-urban-ag>.

**Written Comments:** We invite you to send comments in response to this notice. Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRCS-2023-0019. Follow the instructions for submitting comments. All written comments received will be publicly available on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Brian Guse; Designated Federal Officer; telephone: (202) 205-9723; email: [UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov](mailto:UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov).

Individuals who require alternative means for communication may contact the USDA TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and text telephone (TTY)) or dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay service (both voice and text telephone users can initiate this call from any telephone).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**UAIPAC Purpose**

The Federal Advisory Committee for Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production is one of several ways that USDA is extending support and building frameworks to support urban agriculture, including issues of equity and food and nutrition access. Section 222 of the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994, as amended by section 12302 of the 2018 Farm Bill (7 U.S.C. 6923; Pub. L. 115-334) directed the Secretary to establish an "Urban Agriculture and Innovative Production Advisory Committee" to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on any aspect of section 222, including the development of policies and outreach relating to urban, indoor, and other emerging agricultural production practices as well as identify any barriers to urban agriculture. UAIPAC will host

public meetings to deliberate on recommendations for the Secretary of Agriculture. These recommendations provide advice to the Secretary on supporting urban agriculture and innovative production through USDA's programs and services.

**Meeting Agenda**

The agenda items may include, but are not limited to, welcome and introductions; administrative matters; presentations from the UAIPAC or USDA staff; and deliberations for proposed recommendations and plans. The USDA UAIPAC website (<https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/federal-advisory-committee-urban-ag>) will be updated with the final agenda at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

**Written Comments**

Comments should address specific topics pertaining to urban agriculture and innovative production. Written comments will be accepted until 11:59 p.m. EDT on Wednesday, December 13, 2023. General questions and comments are also accepted at any time via email: [UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov](mailto:UrbanAgricultureFederalAdvisoryCommittee@usda.gov).

**Meeting Materials**

All written comments received by Wednesday, December 13, 2023, will be compiled for UAIPAC review and will be included in the meeting minutes. Duplicate comments from multiple individuals will appear as one comment, with a notation that multiple copies of the comment were received. Please visit <https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/federal-advisory-committee-urban-ag> to view the agenda and minutes from the meeting.

**Meeting Accommodations**

If you require reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpretation, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodation, to the person listed under the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. Determinations for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

**USDA Non-Discrimination Policy**

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender

expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family or parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Individuals who require alternative means of communication for program information (for example, braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.) should contact the responsible Agency or USDA TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and text telephone (TTY)) or dial 711 for Telecommunications Relay Service (both voice and text telephone users can initiate this call from any phone). Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

Equal opportunity practices in accordance with USDA's policies will be followed in all appointments to the FACA Committee: UAIPAC. To ensure that the recommendations of UAIPAC have taken in account the needs of the diverse groups served by USDA, membership will include to the extent possible, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women and person with disabilities. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

To file a program discrimination complaint, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, AD-3027, found online at <https://www.usda.gov/oascr/how-to-file-a-program-discrimination-complaint> and at any USDA office or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by mail to: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410 or email: [OAC@usda.gov](mailto:OAC@usda.gov). USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Dated: October 25, 2023.

**Cikena Reid,**

*Committee Management Officer, USDA.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Rural Utilities Service**

[Docket No. RUS-23-ELECTRIC-0016]

**Notice of a Revision to a Currently Approved Information Collection**

**AGENCY:** Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Utilities Service's (RUS or Agency), an agency within the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, intention to request a revision to a currently approved information collection package for the Rural Energy Savings Program (RESP). In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Agency invites comments on this information collection for which it intends to request approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by December 29, 2023 to be assured of consideration.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Pamela Bennett, Rural Development Innovation Center—Regulations Management Division, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, STOP 1522, South Building, Washington, DC 20250-1522. Telephone: (202) 720-9639. Email [pamela.bennett@usda.gov](mailto:pamela.bennett@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The OMB regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) requires that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that RUS is submitting to OMB for extension of an existing collection.

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) 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; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) 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 may be sent by the Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and, in the "Search" box, type in the Docket No. RUS-23-ELECTRIC-0016. A link to the Notice will appear. You may submit a comment here by selecting the "Comment" button or you can access the "Docket" tab, select the "Notice," and go to the "Browse & Comment on Documents" Tab. Here you may view comments that have been submitted as well as submit a comment. To submit a comment, select the "Comment" button, complete the required information, and select the "Submit Comment" button at the bottom. Information on using *Regulations.gov*, including instructions for accessing documents, submitting comments, and viewing the docket after the close of the comment period, is available through the site's "FAQ" link at the bottom.

A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB Control Number. Data furnished by the applicants will be used to determine eligibility for program benefits. Furnishing the data is voluntary; however, failure to provide data could result in program benefits being withheld or denied.

*Title:* Rural Energy Savings Program.  
*OMB Control Number:* 0572-0151.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved information collection.

*Abstract:* The USDA, through the RUS, provides RESP loans to eligible entities that agree to, in turn, make loans to qualified consumers such as rural families and small businesses for energy efficiency measures and cost-effective renewable energy or energy storage systems. These loans are made available under the authority of section 6407 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002, as amended, (section 6407) and title VII, section 741 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2018. Eligible energy efficiency measures must be for or at a property or properties served by a RESP borrower, using commercially available technologies that would allow qualified consumers to decrease their energy use or costs through cost-effective measures including structural improvements to the structure. Loans made by RESP