

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed ASAOC between the Forest Service, the Department of Justice, and respondents, is entered into in accordance with section 122(g)(4) of CERCLA, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 9622(g)(4). Among other things, the ASAOC requires respondents to voluntarily relinquish their special use permit to the Forest Service to resolve respondents' potential civil liability under section 107 of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9607. The ASAOC further requires respondents to release the United States from any collateral action which may be brought by respondents as a result of the voluntary relinquishment of their special use permit. The Forest Service will provide full and complete contribution protection for respondents with regard to the site pursuant to sections 113(f)(2) and 122(g)(5) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. 9613(f)(2) and 9622(g)(5), or as otherwise may be provided by law, in accordance with section XIV of the ASAOC (Effect of Settlement/Contribution); and will release respondents from obligations of their special use permit requiring removal of improvements upon the affected property.

For thirty (30) days following the date of publication of this notice, the United States will receive written comments relating to the ASAOC. The United States will consider all comments received and may modify or withdraw its consent to the ASAOC if comments received disclose facts or considerations that indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

Jody Holzworth,

Deputy Regional Forester, Pacific Southwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ouachita National Forest; Scott and Sebastian Counties, Arkansas; Heavener Coal Leasing Project; Withdrawal of Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Ouachita National Forest is withdrawing its notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement for the Heavener Coal Leasing Project. The original notice of intent was published in the **Federal Register** (FR

Vol. 88, No. 246) on December 26, 2023. The Ouachita National Forest's decision to withdraw the notice of intent is based on the project proponent's (Ouro Mining Inc.) decision to withdraw their request for a lease of Federal metallurgical coal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions concerning this notice should be directed to the Southern Region's Lead Executive for Energy and Infrastructure, Mike Donaldson, at *michael.donaldson1@usda.gov* or 404-556-1081. Individuals who use telecommunications devices for the hearing impaired may call 711 to reach the Telecommunications Relay Service, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

Keith Lannom,

Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Notice of Intent To Request Revision and Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 this notice announces the intention of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to request revision and extension of a currently approved information collection, the Stocks Reports. Revision to burden hours will be needed due to changes in the size of the target population, sampling design, and/or questionnaire length.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 12, 2024 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number 0535-0007, by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* *OMBOfficer@nass.usda.gov*. Include docket number above in the subject line of the message.
- *E-fax:* (855) 838-6382.
- *Mail:* Mail any paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions to: Richard Hopper, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-2024.

• *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Hand deliver to: Richard Hopper, NASS

Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph J. Prusacki, Acting Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, (202)720-2707. Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from Richard Hopper, NASS—OMB Clearance Officer, at (202)720-2206 or at *ombofficer@nass.usda.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Stocks Reports.

OMB Control Number: 0535-0007.

Expiration Date of Approval: April 30, 2025.

Type of Request: Intent to Seek Approval to Revise and Extend an Information Collection for 3 years.

Abstract: The primary objective of the National Agricultural Statistics Service is to prepare and issue State and national estimates of crop and livestock production, stocks, disposition, and prices. The *Stocks Report* surveys, provide estimates of stocks of grains, hops, oilseeds, peanuts, potatoes, and rice that are stored off-farm. These off-farm stocks are combined with on-farm stocks to estimate stocks in all positions. The grain *Stocks Reports* are a principle economic indicator as defined by OMB. Stocks statistics are used by the U.S. Department of Agriculture to help administer programs; by State agencies to develop, research, and promote the marketing of products; and by producers and buyers to find their best market opportunity(s). The *Stocks Reports* are instrumental in providing timely, accurate data to help grain market participants. Since the previous approval, NASS made minor adjustments to the number of respondents contacted and the overall respondent burden based on regular list maintenance activities. The current expiration date for this docket is April 30, 2025. NASS intends to request that the survey be approved for another 3 years.

Authority: These data will be collected under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2204(a). Individually identifiable data collected under this authority are governed by section 1770 of the Food Security Act of 1985 as amended, 7 U.S.C. 2276, which requires USDA to afford strict confidentiality to non-aggregated data provided by respondents. This Notice is submitted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*), and Office of Management and Budget regulations at 5 CFR part 1320.

All NASS employees and NASS contractors must also fully comply with all provisions of the Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act (CIPSEA) of 2018, title III of Public Law 115–435, codified in 44 U.S.C. ch. 35. CIPSEA supports NASS's pledge of confidentiality to all respondents and facilitates the agency's efforts to reduce burden by supporting statistical activities of collaborative agencies through designation of NASS agents, subject to the limitations and penalties described in CIPSEA. NASS uses the information only for statistical purposes and publishes only tabulated total data.

Estimate of Burden: This information collection comprises 14 individual surveys that are conducted either 1, 4, 5, or 12 times a year for an estimated total of 28,500 responses. Average reporting burden for this collection of information ranges from 10 to 25 minutes per response.

Respondents: Farms and businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 5,900 hours.

Comments: 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, through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, technological, or other forms of information technology collection methods.

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

Signed at Washington, DC, August 6, 2024.

Joseph J. Prusacki,

Acting Associate Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to reestablish the Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics and call for member nominations.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is seeking to reestablish the Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics for two-years as a discretionary committee and call for member nominations to fill vacancies. Effective October 1, 1996, responsibility for the census of agriculture program was transferred to the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) at USDA from the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. Effective February 2, 1997, NASS also received the transferred program positions and staff from the Bureau of the Census, U.S. Department of Commerce. Responsibility for the Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics was established by agency authority, was transferred, along with its allocated slot, to USDA with the census of agriculture program. The Committee is also established in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).

DATES: The nomination period for interested candidates will remain open and continuous during the two-year charter period. Nomination received during this period will be considered for any open positions on the committee. Applications will remain valid for a one-year period. A resubmission may be required annually if not appointed to the committee.

ADDRESSES: Contact Joseph J. Prusacki, Acting Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, (314) 595–9501, or email SM.NASS.OA@usda.gov.

You may submit nominations by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* submit the completed form to: SM.NASS.OA@usda.gov.
- *Mail/Hand Delivery/Courier:* Nominations should be mailed to Joseph J. Prusacki, Acting Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Room 5041, South Building, Washington, DC 20250–2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph J. Prusacki, Acting Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, (314) 595–9501.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: The Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics was originally established by the Secretary of Commerce on July 16, 1962. The Committee is also established in

accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. 10.

Purpose: The purpose of the Committee is to advise the Secretary on the conduct of the periodic censuses and surveys of agriculture, other related surveys, and the types of agricultural information to obtain from respondents. The Committee also prepares recommendations regarding the content of agriculture reports and presents the views and needs for data of major suppliers and users of agriculture statistics. The Committee draws on the experience and expertise of its members to form a collective judgment concerning agriculture data collected and the statistics issued by the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS).

Each person nominated to serve on the committee is required to submit the following form: AD–755 (Advisory Committee Membership Background Information, OMB Number 0505–0001), available on the internet at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-755.pdf>. This form may also be requested by telephone or email using the information above. Completed forms may be mailed or emailed directly to SM.NASS.OA@usda.gov. Members serve staggered two-year terms, with terms for half of the Committee members expiring in any given year. Nominations are being sought for 22 open Committee seats. Members serve a two-year term and may apply to be reappointed for up to three terms for a total of six consecutive years at the Secretary of Agriculture's discretion. The Chairperson of the Committee shall be elected by members to serve a one-year term.

Equal opportunity practices, in line with USDA policies, will be followed in all membership appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent the many communities, identities, races, ethnicities, backgrounds, abilities, cultures, and beliefs of the American people, including underserved communities. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

The duties of the Committee are solely advisory. The Committee will make recommendations to the Secretary of Agriculture with regards to the agricultural statistics programs of NASS, and such other matters as it may deem advisable, or which the Secretary of Agriculture; the Under Secretary for