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Agricultural Research Service

Title: Meeting the Information Requirements of the Animal Welfare Act Workshop Registration Form.

OMB Control Number: 0518–0033.

Summary of Collection: The U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Library (NAL), Animal Welfare Information Center conducts a workshop titled “Meeting the Information Requirements of the Animal Welfare Act.” The registration form collects information from interested parties necessary to register them for the workshop. This information includes workshop data preferences, signature, name, title, organization name, mailing address, phone and fax numbers and email address. The information will be collected using online and printed versions of the form. Also, forms can be fax or mailed.

Need and Use of the Information: NAL will collect information to register participants, contact them regarding schedule changes, control the number of participants due to limited resources and training space, and compile and customize class materials to meet the needs of the participants. Failure to collect the information would prohibit the delivery of the workshop and significantly inhibit NAL’s ability to provide up-to-date information on the requirements of the Animal Welfare Act.

Description of Respondents: Individuals or Households; Not-for-

Profit Institutions; Business or Other for-profit; Government; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 840.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 42.

Rachelle Ragland-Greene,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Correction

October 21, 2021.

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.

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Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement

Title: Outreach and Assistance to Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program (2501 Program) Application and Performance Reporting.

OMB Control Number: 0503–NEW.

Summary of Collection: The Department of Agriculture published a document in the **Federal Register** on October 16, 2024 at 89 FR 83446 concerning a request for comments on the Information Collection “Outreach and Assistance to Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers Program (2501 Program) Application and Performance Reporting” OMB control number 0503–NEW. The reporting agency in the second column of page 83447 reads the Office of Procurement and Property Management, which is incorrect. The correct reporting agency for this notice should be the Office of Partnerships and Public Engagement.

Levi S. Harrell,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations Participant Characteristics and Program Operations Study

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection. This is a new information collection request in which FNS seeks updated information about the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), including participant characteristics, program operations, and why FDPIR participation has been declining. This study will also include an evaluation of the self-determination demonstration projects (SDDPs), which allow Tribes administering FDPIR to directly purchase food for the FDPIR food packages distributed to their Tribe.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before December 24, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to Kavitha Sankavaram, Office of Policy Support, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture 1320 Braddock Place, Alexandria, VA 22314. Comments may also be submitted via email to kavitha.sankavaram@usda.gov. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <https://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Kavitha Sankavaram at 703-605-4627.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 2018 Farm Bill authorized USDA to establish a demonstration project for one or more Tribal organizations administering FDPIR to enter into self-determination contracts, as defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, to purchase USDA Foods for the FDPIR food package for their Tribes. The goals of the demonstration project include (1) supporting Tribal self-governance by allowing participating Tribes to purchase similar foods of their choosing, supporting tribal dietary preferences; (2) enabling Tribes to purchase foods through commercial vendors of their choice; (3) supporting Tribal economies as Tribes may choose to contract with local, regional, and/or Tribal vendors; and (4) providing FNS with an opportunity to see how Tribal procurement may work under a food distribution program model across Region, program size, and food selection. To date, FNS has awarded \$11.4 million to 16 sites. Through this information collection, FNS aims to understand the impact, successes, and challenges of the demonstration projects to inform future policy goals.

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 shall 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 that were 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 use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) Participant Characteristics and Program Operations (PCPO) and Self-Determination Demonstration Project (SDDP) Evaluation.

Form Number: Not applicable.

OMB Number: 0584-NEW.

Expiration date: Not yet determined.

Type of request: New collection of information.

Abstract: Administered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) provides USDA Foods to income-eligible households living on Indian reservations and to American Indian households residing in approved areas near reservations in Oklahoma. Many households participate in FDPIR as an alternative to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) because they do not have easy access to SNAP offices or authorized food stores. The last comprehensive study of FDPIR participant characteristics and program operations (PCPO) used data collected in 2013 and 2014. This study will provide current, nationally representative information on FDPIR participants and local program operations across the nation. The study will also provide FNS with a better understanding of the reasons for the decline in FDPIR participation and how to streamline and target food/nutrition education efforts, funding, and policy changes. To identify reasons for variable participation, FNS will collect information on perceptions about the program, potential access barriers, and participation in SNAP and other food assistance programs. The study also includes an evaluation of the Self-Determination Demonstration Project (SDDP). The SDDP, authorized in the 2018 Farm Bill, provides FDPIR sites with the flexibility to procure and distribute local, regional, and/or Tribal foods. This study is needed to help FNS make decisions about program administration and identify ways to make the program more beneficial to participants.

The study will be conducted over a 3-year period. For the PCPO component of the study, data collection activities will include administrative data submissions, a participant survey,

discussion groups with participants and eligible nonparticipants, and site visits to 26 FDPIR programs. Site visits will consist of focus groups with FDPIR participants and eligible nonparticipants; key informant interviews with FDPIR program staff, community partners, and Tribal leaders; and observations of program facilities. Using the administrative data collected from the 26 FDPIR programs, the study team will select a random nationally representative sample of 1,050 participating households. This sample of participating households will be the basis of recruitment for the participant survey. For the SDDP component of the study, data collection activities will include administrative data submissions, key informant interviews with FDPIR program staff and vendors, and interviews with a convenience sample of FDPIR participants at the 16 SDDP sites. Clearance is requested for the following new data collection activities: administrative data collection, survey of FDPIR participants, key informant interviews, onsite observations of FDPIR program operations, FDPIR participants and eligible nonparticipant discussion groups, and FDPIR participant interviews.

Affected public: (1) State, local, and Tribal agencies; (2) businesses; and (3) individuals. Identified respondent groups include the following:

1. *State, local, and Tribal agencies:* FDPIR agency staff from 38 Tribal agencies (22 PCPO-only sites, 12 SDDP-only sites, and 4 sites participating in both the PCPO and SDDP components).
2. *Businesses:* nonprofit businesses—staff from community-based organizations at the 26 PCPO sites—and for-profit businesses—food vendor staff at the 16 SDDP sites.
3. *Individuals:* 1,050 FDPIR participants and eligible nonparticipants who will be recruited for the PCPO participant survey and 316 who will be recruited for participation in discussion groups across the 26 PCPO sites. For the SDDP component, 400 FDPIR participants across the 16 SDDP sites will be recruited to complete an interview.

Estimated number of respondents: The total estimated number of respondents is 2,068: 182 State, local, and Tribal government staff; 69 business (for-profit and not-for-profit) staff; and 1,817 individuals. Of the 2,068 contacted, 1,728 are estimated to be responsive, and 340 are estimated to be nonresponsive. The breakout follows:

1. *State, local, and Tribal agency staff:* Of the 182 FDPIR Tribal staff contacted, 168 are estimated to be responsive, and

14 will be nonresponsive. For the PCPO component, 145 Tribal staff will be contacted, and 131 are estimated to be responsive and 14 will be nonresponsive. For the SDDP component, 37 Tribal staff will be contacted, and all are estimated to be responsive.

2. *Business (for-profit and not-for-profit) staff*: Of the 53 non-profit business staff contacted, all are estimated to be responsive. Of the 16 for-profit business staff contacted, all are estimated to be responsive.

3. *Individuals*: Of the 1,817 individuals contacted, 1,491 are estimated to be responsive, and 326 will be nonresponsive.

- For the PCPO study, 1,050 FDPIR participants will be contacted to complete the PCPO survey, and 871 will complete the survey and receive a thank-you email; 179 will be nonresponsive. A total of 316 participants will be recruited for the PCPO discussion groups; 252 will participate in the discussion, and 64 will be nonresponsive.

- Twenty-six Tribal leaders at FDPIR sites will be asked to participate in a key informant interview; 23 will participate in the interview, and 3 will be nonresponsive.

- For the SDDP study, 400 participants will be contacted to complete the SDDP interview, and 320 will complete the interview and receive a thank-you email; 80 will be nonresponsive.

Estimated number of responses per respondent: 3.375—based on 6,979 total annual responses (6,460 responsive and 519 nonresponsive) made by the 2,068 respondents (1,728 responsive and 340 nonresponsive). See table 1 for the estimated number of responses per respondent for each type of respondent. The breakout follows:

1. *State, local, and Tribal agencies (182)*:

- Twenty-nine FDPIR directors will receive recruitment emails from FNS; 26 will be responsive, and 3 will be nonresponsive. Twenty-six FDPIR directors will receive an introductory email from the study team, participate in a phone call to discuss the data

request, and facilitate the execution of a data use agreement. They will also receive materials from the study team about key informant interview scheduling and participate in the PCPO key informant interviews. Sixteen FDPIR directors will respond to scheduling and participate in the SDDP interviews; the same 16 FDPIR directors will also participate in a phone call to discuss the SDDP data request, and facilitate the execution of a data use agreement.

- Seventeen FDPIR directors will complete the electronic PCPO administrative data submission. One FDPIR director will pretest the PCPO administrative data request. Sixteen FDPIR directors will complete the SDDP administrative data submission; one of these 16 directors will pretest the SDDP administrative data request.

- Fifty-two FDPIR frontline staff will receive recruitment information, and 45 will respond to scheduling and participate in the PCPO key informant interviews; 7 will be nonresponsive. Twenty-six frontline staff will also participate in the observation. Sixteen frontline staff will respond to scheduling and participate in the SDDP interviews. One frontline staff member will pretest the key informant interview protocol. One frontline staff member will pretest the observation guide.

- Twenty-six distribution staff will receive recruitment information, and 24 will respond to scheduling and participate in the observation; 2 will be nonresponsive. One distribution staff member will pretest the observation guide.

- Twenty-six warehouse staff will receive recruitment information, and 24 will respond to scheduling and participate in the observation; 2 will be nonresponsive.

- Nine administrative staff will provide onsite support for the administrative data abstraction.

- Five SDDP coordinators will receive recruitment information and will respond to scheduling and participate in the SDDP interviews.

2. *Business (for-profit and not-for-profit) vendor and community organization staff (69)*:

- Sixteen food vendor staff will respond to scheduling and participate in the SDDP interviews.

- Fifty-two community organization staff will respond to scheduling and participate in the PCPO key informant interviews. One community organization staff member will pretest the key informant interview guide.

3. *Individuals (1,817)*:

- A total of 1,050 individuals will be recruited, and 871 will complete the PCPO participant survey. A total of 316 individuals will be recruited, and 252 will participate in the PCPO focus groups. A total of 400 individuals will be recruited, and 320 will complete the SDDP participant survey.

- Twenty-six Tribal leaders will receive scheduling information, and 23 will respond to scheduling and participate in the PCPO key informant interviews. One Tribal leader will pretest the key informant interview guide.

- Nine individuals will be recruited and pretest the SDDP participant survey. Nine individuals will be recruited and pretest the PCPO participant survey. Six individuals will be recruited and pretest the PCPO discussion group guide.

Estimated total annual responses: 6,979 (6,460 annual responses for responsive participants and 519 annual responses for nonresponsive participants).

Estimated time per response: 0.304 hours (0.33 hours for responsive participants and 0.02 hours for nonresponsive participants). Among respondents, the estimated time of response varies from 0.03 hours to 2.00 hours depending on the respondent group and activity, as table 1 shows.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents and nonrespondents: 2,124.09 hours (2,116.85 hours for responsive participants and 9.55 hours for nonresponsive participants). See table 1 for the estimated total annual burden for each type of respondent.

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Table 1. Total public burden hours

Type of respondents	Instruments	Respondents						Nonrespondents						
		Sample size ^a	Number of respondents	Frequency of response	Total annual responses	Hours per response ^b	Annual burden (hours)	Number of non-respondents	Frequency of response	Total annual responses	Hours per response ^b	Annual burden (hours)	Grand total annual burden estimate (hours)	
State, Local, and Tribal Government														
PCPO COMPONENT														
FDPIR Staff	Director	Initial recruitment email from FNS	29	26	1	26	.0835	2.17	3	1	3	0.08	0.24	2.41
		Study team introductory email	26	26	1	26	0.08	2.17	0	0	0	0.00	0	2.17
		Phone call to discuss the PCPO administrative data request	26	26	1	26	1.00	26.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	26.00
		PCPO administrative data use agreement	26	26	1	26	2.00	52.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	52.00
		PCPO administrative data email reminder #1	10	10	1	10	0.03	0.33	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.33
		PCPO administrative data email reminder #2	7	7	1	7	0.03	0.23	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.23
		PCPO electronic administrative data submission	17	17	1	17	1.00	17.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	17.00
		PCPO electronic administrative data submission thank-you email	17	17	1	17	0.03	0.57	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.57
		PCPO administrative data review follow-up questions	17	17	1	17	0.25	4.25	0	0	0	0.00	0	4.25
		PCPO administrative data pretest	1	1	1	1	0.95	0.95	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.17
		PCPO key informant interview pretest	1	1	1	1	1.70	1.70	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.17
		PCPO key informant interview scheduling email	26	26	1	26	0.25	6.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	6.50

		PCPO key informant interview recruitment call #1	10	10	1	10	0.03	0.33	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.33
		PCPO key informant interview recruitment call #2	7	7	1	7	0.03	0.23	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.23
		PCPO key informant interview	26	26	1	26	1.50	39.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	39.00
		PCPO key informant interview thank-you email	26	26	1	26	0.03	0.87	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.87
	Frontline staff	PCPO key informant interview pretest	1	1	1	1	1.70	1.70	0	0	0	0.00	0	1.70
		PCPO key informant interview scheduling	52	45	1	45	0.25	11.25	7	1	7	0.08	0.56	11.81
		PCPO key informant interview	45	45	1	45	1.50	67.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	67.50
		PCPO key informant interview thank-you email	45	45	1	45	0.03	1.50	0	0	0	0.00	0	1.50
		Observation and assessment pretest	1	1	1	1	0.62	0.62	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.62
		Observation and assessment	26	26	1	26	1.00	26.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	26.00
		Observation and assessment thank-you email	26	26	1	26	0.03	0.87	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.87
	Distribution center staff	Observation and assessment pretest	1	1	1	1	0.62	0.62	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.62
		Observation and assessment recruitment scheduling email	26	24	1	24	0.08	2.00	2	1	2	0.08	0.16	2.16
		Observation and assessment	24	24	1	24	1.00	24.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	24.00
		Observation and assessment thank-you email	24	24	1	24	0.03	0.80	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.80
	Warehouse staff	Observation and assessment recruitment scheduling email	26	24	1	24	0.08	2.00	2	1	2	0.08	0.16	2.16
		Observation and assessment	24	24	1	24	1.00	24.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	24.00

		Observation and assessment thank-you email	24	24	1	24	0.03	0.80	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.80
	Administrative staff	Onsite administrative data collection support	9	9	1	9	2.00	18.00	0	0	0	0.00	0	18.00
		Onsite administrative data collection support thank-you email	9	9	1	9	0.03	0.30	0	0	0	0.00	0	0.30
Subtotal for PCPO Component			145	131	4.74	621	0.54	336.28	14	1	14	1.12	1.12	335.09
SDDP COMPONENT														
FDPIR Staff	FDPIR Director	SDDP interview recruitment	16	16	1	16	0.25	4.00	0	0	0	0	0	4.00
		SDDP pre-interview inventory	16	16	1	16	0.25	4.00	0	0	0	0	0	4.00
		SDDP interview	16	16	1	16	1.50	24.00	0	0	0	0	0	24.00
		SDDP interview thank you email	16	16	1	16	0.03	0.53	0	0	0	0	0	0.53
		Phone call to discuss the SDDP administrative data request	16	16	1	16	1.00	16.00	0	0	0	0	0	16.00
		SDDP administrative data use agreement	16	16	1	15	2.00	30.00	0	0	0	0	0	30.00
		SDDP administrative data email reminder 1	8	8	1	8	0.03	0.24	0	0	0	0	0	0.24
		SDDP administrative data email reminder 2	4	4	1	4	0.03	0.12	0	0	0	0	0	0.12
		SDDP electronic administrative data submission	16	16	1	16	3.00	48.00	0	0	0	0	0	48.00
		SDDP electronic administrative data submission thank you email	16	16	1	16	0.03	0.48	0	0	0	0	0	0.48
		SDDP administrative data review follow-up questions	16	16	1	16	1.00	16.00	0	0	0	0	0	16.00
		SDDP administrative data pretest	1	1	1	1	0.9500	0.95	0	0	0	0	0	0.95
		SDDP key informant interview pretest recruitment	1	1	1	1	0.17	0.17	0	0	0	0	0	0.17
		FDPIR Frontline Staff	SDDP interview recruitment	16	16	1	16	0.25	4.00	0	0	0	0	0
	SDDP interview		16	16	1	16	1.00	16.00	0	0	0	0	0	16.00

		SDDP interview thank-you email	16	16	1	16	0.25	4.00	0	0	0	0	0	4.00
	SDDP Coordinator	SDDP interview recruitment	5	5	1	5	0.25	1.25	0	0	0	0	0	1.25
		SDDP interview	5	5	1	5	1.00	5.00	0	0	0	0	0	5.00
		SDDP interview thank-you email	5	5	1	5	0.25	1.25	0	0	0	0	0	1.25
Subtotal for SDDP Component			37	37	5.95	220	0.80	175.99	0	0	0	0	0	175.99
State/local/tribal government subtotal			182	168	5.01	841	0.61	512.27	14	1	14	1.12	1.12	511.08
Businesses														
PCPO COMPONENT														
Businesses (non-profit)	Community organization staff	PCPO key informant interview pretest	1	1	1	1	1.70	1.70	0	0	0	0	0	1.70
		PCPO key informant interview scheduling	52	52	1	52	0.25	13.00	0	0	0	0	0	13.00
		PCPO key informant interview	52	52	1	52	1.50	78.00	0	0	0	0	0	78.00
		PCPO key informant interview thank-you email	52	52	1	52	0.03	1.74	0	0	0	0	0	1.74
Subtotal for PCPO Component			53	53	3.0	157	0.60	94.44	0	0	0	0	0	94.44
SDDP COMPONENT														
Businesses (for-profit)	Food vendor staff	SDDP interview recruitment	16	16	1	16	0.25	4.00	0	0	0	0	0	4.00
		SDDP interview	16	16	1	16	1.00	16.00	0	0	0	0	0	16.00
		SDDP interview thank-you email	16	16	1	16	0.03	0.53	0	0	0	0	0	0.53
Subtotal for SDDP Component			16	16	3	48	0.43	20.53	0	0	0	0	0	20.53
Subtotal for Businesses			69	69	2.97	205	0.56	114.97	0	0	0	0	0	114.97
Individuals														
PCPO COMPONENT														
Individuals	FDPIR participants and eligible non-participants	PCPO participant survey email invitation	1050	871	1	871	0.08	72.73	179	0	179	0.02	2.99	75.72
		PCPO participant survey	1050	871	1	871	0.5	435.50	179	1	179	0.02	2.99	438.49
		PCPO participant survey first phone call reminder	552	552	1	552	0.08	46.09	0	0	0	0	0	46.09

		PCPO participant survey second phone call reminder	87	87	1	87	0.17	14.53	0	0	0	0	0	14.53
		PCPO participant survey thank you email	871	871	1	871	0.03	29.09	0	0	0	0	0	29.09
		PCPO discussion group recruitment	316	252	1	252	0.17	42.08	64	1	64	0.02	1.07	43.15
		PCPO discussion group	252	252	1	252	1.50	378.00	0	0	0	0	0	378.00
		PCPO discussion group thank you email	252	252	1	252	0.03	8.42	0	0	0	0	0	8.42
		PCPO participant survey pretest	9	9	1	9	1.20	10.77	0	0	0	0	0	10.77
		PCPO discussion group pretest	6	6	1	6	1.70	10.18	0	0	0	0	0	10.18
	Tribal leaders	PCPO key informant interview pretest	1	1	1	1	1.70	1.70	0	0	0	0	0	1.70
		PCPO key informant interview scheduling	26	23	1	23	0.25	5.75	3	1	3	0.02	0.05	5.80
		PCPO key informant interview	23	23	1	23	1.50	34.50	0	0	0	0	0	34.50
		PCPO key informant interview thank-you email	23	23	1	23	0.03	0.77	0	0	0	0	0	0.77
PCPO Subtotal			1408	1162	3.52	4093	0.27	1090.11	246	1.73	425	0.02	7.10	1097.21
SDDP COMPONENT														
Individuals	FDPIR participants	SDDP participant interview invitation letter	400	320	1	320	0.08	26.72	80	1	80	0	1.336	28.06
		SDDP participant interview email reminder	224	224	1	224	0.08	18.70	0	0	0	0	0	18.70
		SDDP participant interview first phone reminder	96	96	1	96	0.08	8.02	0	0	0	0	0	8.02
		SDDP participant interview second phone reminder	32	32	1	32	0.17	5.34	0	0	0	0	0	5.34
		SDDP participant interview	320	320	1	320	1.00	320.00	0	0	0	0	0	320.00
		SDDP participant interview thank-you email	320	320	1	320	0.03	10.69	0	0	0	0	0	10.69

		SDDP participant interview pretest	9	9	1	9	1.11	10.02	0	0	0	0	0	10.02
SDDP Subtotal			409	329	4.02	1321	0.30	399.49	80	1	80	0.02	1.34	400.83
Subtotal for Individuals			1817	1491	3.63	5414	0.28	1489.61	326	2	505	0.02	8.43	1498.04
Total			2068	1728	3.74	6460	0.33	2116.85	340	1.53	519	0.02	9.55	2124.09

FDPIR = Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations; PCPO = participant characteristics and program operations; SDDP = Self-Determination Demonstration Project

^a Numbers are always rounded up to the next whole number.

^b Decimal values have been calculated by multiplying the decimal unit value of 1 minute (.0167) by the total number of minutes (conversion of minutes to decimals).

Tameka Owens,

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection Activities: FNS 245—Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Negative Case Action Review Schedule

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service
(FNS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on this proposed information collection. This collection is a revision of a currently approved collection. This information collection, the FNS-245, Negative Case Action Review Schedule, is designed to collect quality control (QC) data and serve as the data entry form for negative case action QC reviews in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Revisions to the form, its instructions, and burden hours are within.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before December 24, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to: John McCleskey, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1320 Braddock Place, 5th Floor, Alexandria, VA 22314. Comments may also be submitted via email to SM.FN.SNAPQCRules-ICR@usda.gov or may also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to John McCleskey at 703-457-7747.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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 shall 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 that were 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 use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Title: FNS-245: SNAP Negative Case Action Review Schedule.

Form Number: FNS-245.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0034.

Expiration Date: December 31, 2024.

Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Abstract: The FNS-245, Negative Case Action Review Schedule, is designed to collect quality control (QC) data and serves as the data entry form for negative case action QC reviews in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). State agencies complete the FNS-245 for each negative case in their QC sample. The number of responses for reporting and recordkeeping increased from 177,230 to 196,615 responses; a total increase of 19,385 due to the increase in number of cases selected for negative review. The reporting and recordkeeping burden associated with the completion of the FNS-245 has increased from approximately 112,491.43 hours to 125,778.55 hours. The 13,203.96-hour increase in the total burden is largely a result of an administrative adjustment due to the increase in total SNAP negative action case selections for review from 34,322 cases in fiscal year (FY) 2018 to 39,323 cases in FY 2023 and due to a program change to add two new codes to the form for the head of household's race/ethnic information and to include household zip code. The program is adding 1.5 minutes or 0.025 hours to the case record review burden to now include reviewing this information in the case record to properly report the information on the form. A summary of the revised reporting and recordkeeping estimates are below, along with a revision of the burden table.

The program is making additional revisions to the form that do not impact burden. These include:

—Clarification that Section I must be submitted to FNS for the QC review process, though the information contained within will not be part of the official Federal record of FNS 245 data, which is permanently retained per Federal record requirements.

—In Section II, instead of three case classification codes for item 9, there will now be two—included or excluded from the error rate calculation.

—For Section III,

—Existing elements 111, 130, 162, 365 and 413 include terminology updates for accuracy, and elements 313 and 540 are now 314 and 541 to align with the element numbering on the active QC forms, FNS 380-Worksheet for active QC reviews (OMB 0584-0074 FNS-380 Worksheet for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Quality Control Reviews, expiration 7-31-25) and FNS 380-1, the Review Schedule for Active cases (OMB 0584-0299 FNS-380-1 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program's Quality Control Review Schedule, expiration 9-30-26).

—Item 10a, Disposition of the review, code 3, is revised to indicate the review cannot be processed since no electronic or paper records exist.

—Item 14d's code 99 is revised to code 00 to correct the numerical association with the code description.

—Items 17 and 18 now have four new possible elements for variance identification: Element 214—Substantial Lottery or Gambling Winnings, 362—Homeless shelter deduction, 540—Missing Required Reports (Monthly, Quarterly or Periodic Report Forms), and Element 542—Expired Certification Period. All changes may be reviewed on the form provided with this notice.

Reporting

Affected Public: State, Local and Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53 State Agencies.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 2,967.77.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 157,292.

Estimated Time per Response: 3.175 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 124,850.53.

Recordkeeping

Affected Public: State, Local and Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 53 State Agencies.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 741.94.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 39,323.

Estimated Time per Response: 0.0236 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 928.02.