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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Marketing Service

[Docket No. PY-95-006]

#### Notice of Request for Extension and Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

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

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), this notice announces the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) intention to request an extension for and revision to a currently approved information collection in support of the Regulations Governing the Grading of Shell Eggs and U.S. Standards, Grades, and Weight Classes for Shell Eggs—7 CFR Part 56.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by December 29, 1995.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** Contact Shields Jones, Standardization Branch, Poultry Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14th and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20050, (202) 720-3506.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Regulations Governing the Grading of Shell Eggs and U.S. Standards, Grades, and Weight Classes for Shell Eggs.

*OMB Number:* 0581-0128.

*Expiration Date of Approval:* April 30, 1996.

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

*Abstract:* The regulations provide a voluntary program for grading shell eggs on the basis of U.S. standards, grades, and weight classes. In addition, the shell egg industry and users of the products have requested that other types of voluntary services be developed and

provided under these regulations; e.g., contract and specification acceptance services and certification of quantity. This voluntary grading service is available on a resident basis or a lot-fee basis. Respondents may request resident service on a continuous basis or on an as-needed basis. The service is paid for by the user (user-fee).

The Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (60 Stat. 1087-1091, as amended; 7 U.S.C. 1621-1627) (AMA) directs and authorizes the Department to develop standards of quality, grades, grading programs, and services which facilitate trading of agricultural products and assure consumers of quality products which are graded and identified under USDA programs.

To provide programs and services, section 203 (h) of the AMA directs and authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to inspect, certify and identify, and identify the grade, class, quality, quantity, and condition of agricultural products under such rules and regulations as the Secretary may prescribe, including assessment and collection of fees for the cost of the service.

Because this is a voluntary program, respondents need to request or apply for the specific service they wish, and in doing so, they provide information. Since the AMA requires that cost of service be assessed and collected, there is no alternative but to provide programs on a fee-for-service basis and to collect the information needed to establish the cost.

The information collection requirements in this request are essential to carry out the intent of the AMA, to provide the respondents the type of service they request, and to administer the program.

The information collected is used only by authorized representatives of the USDA (AMS, Poultry Division's national staff; regional directors and their staffs; Federal-State supervisors and their staffs; and resident Federal-State graders, which includes State agencies). The information is used to administer and to conduct and carry out the grading services requested by the respondents. The Agency is the primary user of the information, and the secondary user is each authorized State agency which has a cooperative agreement with AMS.

*Estimate of Burden:* Public reporting burden for this collection of information

is estimated to average 0.246 hours per response.

*Respondents:* State or local governments, businesses or other for-profit, Federal agencies or employees, small businesses or organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 753.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* 34.02.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents:* 25,617 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Shields Jones, Standardization Branch, at (202) 720-3506.

Send comments regarding the accuracy of the burden estimate, ways to minimize the burden, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, or any other aspect of this collection of information, to:

Janice L. Lockard, Chief, Standardization Branch, Poultry Division, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 14th & Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250.

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

Dated: October 23, 1995.

Kenneth C. Clayton,

*Acting Administrator.*

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## Forest Service

### Fern Star Timber Sale; Clearwater National Forest, Clearwater County, Idaho

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice; intent to prepare environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** The USDA, Forest Service, will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to disclose the environmental effects of timber harvest, road construction, reforestation and prescribed burning in the vicinity of the Isabella Creek and the Star Creek drainages. The area lies to the east of Isabella Creek and is located in the northwestern corner of the North Fork Ranger District, Clearwater National Forest, Clearwater County, Idaho. A portion of the proposed project's

activities are within a roadless area. The proposal's actions are being considered together because they represent either connected or cumulative actions as defined by the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR 1508.25).

The purposes of the project are to implement the Clearwater Forest Plan; sustain the diversity and productivity of all ecosystems within the Project Area including the aquatic ecosystems, sensitive plan communities and old growth forest ecosystems; provide conditions that ensure positive timber growth; and reduce the risk of large fires within the Fern Star Project Area; develop a permanent transportation plan for the area that uses ecologically-sensitive road design methods for new roads, utilizes timber yarding systems that minimize the need for additional new roads and analyzes each existing road for the appropriate type of use, need for maintenance and possibility of obliteration.

This project-level EIS will tier to the Clearwater National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan) and Final EIS (September, 1987), which provides overall guidance of all land management activities on the Clearwater National Forest.

**DATES:** Written comments and suggestions should be received on or before December 14, 1995 to receive timely consideration in the preparation of the Draft EIS. The Draft EIS will be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency in March 1996. The Final EIS and Record of Decision are expected to be issued in September 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments and suggestions on the proposed action or requests to be placed on the project mailing list to Arthur S. Bourassa, District Ranger, North Fork Ranger District, Clearwater National Forest, 1225 Ahsahka Road, Orofino, ID 83544.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steward Wilson, Team Leader, North Fork Ranger District, Clearwater National Forest, 1225 Ahsahka Road, Orofino, ID 83544. Phone: (208) 476-3775 or Fax: (208) 476-5441.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Project Area consists of 5,415 acres of National Forest land located in all or part of sections 4, 5, and 6 of T40N, R7E; and sections 15, 16, 20-22, and 27-33 of T41N, R7E, Boise Meridian. All management activities would be administered by the North Fork Ranger District, Clearwater National Forest, Clearwater County, Idaho.

The proposed action includes activities covering approximately 522 acres of the 5,415-acre Project Area. All

of the harvesting would utilize a shelterwood-seedtree regeneration system. Activities would include harvesting approximately 12.4 million board feet on 7 units totaling 522 to improve or maintain the health of the timber stands and reintroduce fire to the area; prescribe burn approximately 522 acres to reduce logging and natural slash levels; reforest up to approximately 522 acres by hand planting with nursery-grown seedlings and through natural regeneration; maintain existing boulder weirs in Isabella Creek to improve pool habitat and increase angling opportunities; establish a new trail head for Trail #396 on Road #5339 with facilities for dispersed camping and stock handling; reconstruct approximately two miles of trail from Fern Creek to the junction with Road #705 near the bridge across Isabella Creek; construct trail head facilities for handling stock and dispersed camping at the helicopter landing on Road #705; interpret disjunct plant communities for public education through signing and brochures; reconstruct approximately 3.1 miles of existing Road #5339 and construct approximately 3.4 miles of new road to facilitate timber harvest, prescribed burning, and reforestation activities; and erect a barrier on Road #5339 near the junction with Road #700 for wildlife security and erosion control.

The Clearwater Forest Plan provides guidance for management activities within the potentially affected area through its goals, objectives, standards, guidelines and management area direction. The areas of proposed timber harvest and reforestation would occur within Management Areas E1/E3, C4, A4, US, and C3. Timber harvest would occur only on suitable timber land. Below is a brief description of the applicable management direction.

Management Area E1/E3 (2,109 acres)—Timber Management—Provide optimum, sustained production of timber products in a cost-effective manner while protecting soil and water quality.

Management Area C4 (1,808 acres)—Elk Winter Range/Timber—Provide sufficient winter forage and thermal cover for existing and projected big game populations while achieving timber production outputs.

Management Area A4 (1,229 acres)—Visual Travel Corridor—Maintain or enhance an aesthetically pleasing, natural appearing Forest setting surrounding designated roads, trails, and other areas considered important for recreational travel and use.

Management Area US (264 acres)—Non-Productive Forest—Maintain and protect soil and watershed values and vegetative cover. Manage for resources other than timber.

Management Area C3 (5 acres)—Elk Winter Range—Provide winter forage and thermal cover for big game.

The Forest Service will consider a range of alternatives to the proposed action. One of these will be the "no action" alternative, in which none of the proposed activities would be implemented. Additional alternatives will examine varying levels and locations for the proposed activities to achieve the proposal's purposes, as well as to respond to the issues and other resource values.

The EIS will analyze the direct, indirect and cumulative environmental effects of the alternatives. Past, present and projected activities on both private and National Forest lands will be considered. The EIS will disclose the analysis of site-specific mitigation measures and their effectiveness.

Public participation is an important part of the project, commencing with the initial scoping process (40 CFR 1501.7), which starts with publication of this notice and continues for the next 45 days. In addition, the public is encouraged to visit with Forest Service officials at any time during the analysis and prior to the decision. The Forest Service will be seeking information, comments and assistance from Federal, State and local agencies, as well as other individuals or organizations who may be interested in or affected by the proposed action. No meetings are scheduled, but letters, phone calls or personal visits are invited for the purpose of providing information related to this proposal. Interested individuals and organizations are encouraged to contact the North Fort District Ranger to be added to the project mailing list to receive future information related to this project.

Comments from the public and other agencies will be used in preparation of the Draft EIS. The scoping process will be used to:

1. Identify potential issues.
2. Identify major issues to be analyzed in depth.
3. Eliminate minor issues or those which have been covered by a relevant previous environmental analysis, such as the Clearwater Forest Plan EIS.
4. Identify alternatives to the proposed action.
5. Identify potential environmental effects of the proposed action and alternatives (i.e., direct, indirect and cumulative effects).
6. Determine potential cooperating agencies and task assignments.

Preliminary issues identified as a result of internal scoping include: Effects of the proposal on old growth habitat, cumulative effects of the past harvest that has occurred in the area, fragmentation, opening size (existing and proposed), water quality, impacts to biodiversity of the area, watershed

rehabilitation, effects of the proposal on riparian areas, impacts to fish species, snag management, visual quality of the area, travel corridors/linkages and effects on threatened, endangered and sensitive species. This list will be verified, expanded and/or modified based on the public scoping for this proposal.

The Draft EIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and available for public review in March 1996. At that time, the EPA will publish a Notice of Availability of the Draft EIS in the Federal Register. The comment period on the Draft EIS will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the Federal Register. It is very important that those interested in management of the Fern Star area participate at that time. To be most helpful, comments on the Draft EIS should be as site-specific as possible. The Final EIS is scheduled to be completed by September 1996.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45-day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing

the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

I am the responsible official for this environmental impact statement. My address is Clearwater National Forest, 12730 Highway 12, Orofino, ID 83544.

Dated: October 13, 1995.

James L. Caswell,  
Forest Supervisor.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-533-809]

#### Certain Forged Stainless Steel Flanges From India; Initiation of New Shipper Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

**AGENCY:** Import Administration/  
International Trade Administration/  
Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of initiation of new shipper antidumping duty administrative review.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) has received a request to conduct a new shipper administrative review of an antidumping duty order with a February anniversary date. In accordance with the Department's Interim Regulations, we are initiating this administrative review.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 30, 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Holly A. Kuga, Office of Antidumping Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-4737.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On September 25, 1995, the Department received a request, in accordance with section 353.22(h)(3)(i) of the Department's interim regulations, for a new shipper review of an antidumping duty order with a February anniversary date.

##### Initiation of Review

In accordance with section 353.22(h) of the Department's interim regulations, we are initiating a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on certain forged stainless steel flanges from India. We intend to issue the final results of this review not later than 270

days from the date of publication of this notice.

Antidumping duty proceeding	Period to be reviewed
India: Certain Forged Stainless Steel Flanges A-533- 809 Viraj .....	03/01/95-08/31/95

We will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to allow, at the option of the importer, the posting, until the completion of the review, of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for each entry of the merchandise in accordance with section 353.22(h)(4) of the Department's interim regulations.

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 353.34(b).

This initiation and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)) and section 353.22(h) of the Department's interim regulations.

Dated: October 25, 1995.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Compliance.

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#### Titanium Sponge From Russia; Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

**AGENCY:** Import Administration,  
International Trade Administration,  
Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of preliminary results of antidumping duty administrative review.

**SUMMARY:** In response to a request from two U.S. producers, Oregon Metallurgical Corporation (OREMET) and Titanium Metals Corporation (TIMET), the Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping finding on titanium sponge from Russia. The review covers four manufacturers/exporters, VILS-All Union Institute of Light Alloys (VILS), Verkhnyaya Salda Metallurgical Production Organization (VSMPO), V/O Techsnabexport (TENEX), and the Berezniki Titanium-Magnesium Works (AVISMA), and exports of the subject merchandise to the United States for the period August 1, 1992 through July 31, 1993.

We have preliminarily determined that respondents did not export