

(\$14,000), objective measurement survey, \$15,500 (\$14,750), and export program foreign administration, \$385,000 (\$357,000). The Committee also recommended \$35,000 for export program trade activities and \$23,000 for research and communications, for which no funding was recommended last year. Items which have decreased compared to those budgeted for 1994-95 (in parentheses) are: Executive salaries, \$170,000 (\$230,000), Committee travel, \$50,000 (\$75,000), and reserve for contingencies, \$142,115 (\$142,400).

The Committee unanimously recommended an assessment rate of \$5.00 per ton, which is \$1.00 more than last year. This rate, when applied to anticipated acquisitions of 300,000 tons, will yield \$1,500,000 in assessment income, which will be adequate to cover anticipated administrative expenses. Any unexpended assessment funds from the crop year are required to be credited or refunded to the handlers from whom collected.

An interim final rule was published in the Federal Register on September 15, 1995 (60 FR 47860). That interim final rule added § 989.346 to authorize expenses and establish an assessment rate for the Committee. That rule provided that interested persons could file comments through October 16, 1995. No comments were received.

While this rule will impose some additional costs on handlers, the costs are in the form of uniform assessments on handlers. Some of the additional costs may be passed on to producers. However, these costs will be offset by the benefits derived by the operation of the marketing order. Therefore, the Administrator of the AMS has determined that this action will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

After consideration of all relevant matter presented, including the information and recommendations submitted by the Committee and other available information, it is hereby found that this rule, as hereinafter set forth, will tend to effectuate the declared policy of the Act.

It is further found that good cause exists for not postponing the effective date of this action until 30 days after publication in the Federal Register (5 U.S.C. 553) because the Committee needs to have sufficient funds to pay its expenses which are incurred on a continuous basis. The 1995-96 crop year began on August 1, 1995. The marketing order requires that the rate of assessment for the crop year apply to all assessable raisins handled during the crop year. In addition, handlers are aware of this action which was

unanimously recommended by the Committee at a public meeting and published in the Federal Register as an interim final rule.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 989

Grapes, Marketing agreements, Raisins, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 7 CFR part 989 is amended as follows:

PART 989—RAISINS PRODUCED FROM GRAPES GROWN IN CALIFORNIA

Accordingly, the interim final rule amending 7 CFR part 989 which was published at 60 FR 47860 on September 15, 1995, is adopted as a final rule without change.

Dated: November 8, 1995.

Sharon Bomer Lauritsen,
Deputy Director, Fruit and Vegetable Division.
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National Agricultural Statistics Service

7 CFR Part 3600

Organization and Functions

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends regulations of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) regarding Agency organization and functions of major operational units. This amendment is necessary to reflect changes in the organization of NASS due to an internal reorganization.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 16, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rich Allen, Associate Administrator, NASS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 4117 South Building, 12th and Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-2000, (202) 720-4333.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(a)(1), requires Federal Agencies to publish in the Federal Register descriptions of its central and field organizations. NASS is the agency within the U.S. Department of Agriculture primarily responsible for the development and dissemination of national and State agricultural statistics, statistical research, and coordination of the Department's statistical programs. This amendment to 7 CFR Part 3600 is necessary to reflect changes in the

organization of NASS due to an internal reorganization.

This rule relates to internal agency management. Therefore, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, notice of proposed rulemaking and opportunity for comment are not required, and this rule may be made effective less than 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. Further, since this rule relates to internal agency management, it is exempt from the provisions of Executive Order 12291. Also, this rule will not cause a significant economic impact or other substantial effect on small entities. Therefore, the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, do not apply.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 3600

Organization and functions.

Accordingly, 7 CFR Part 3600 is revised to read as follows:

PART 3600—ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS

Sec.
3600.1 General.
3600.2 Organization.
3600.3 Functions.
3600.4 Authority to act for the Administrator.

Appendix A to Part 3600—List of State Statistical Offices

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301 and 552; and 7 CFR 2.85.

§ 3600.1 General.

The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) was established on April 17, 1986, by Secretary's Memorandum 1020-24, which renamed the Statistical Reporting Service concurrent with an internal restructuring. Primary NASS responsibilities are development and dissemination of national and State agricultural statistics, statistical research, and coordination of Department statistical programs.

§ 3600.2 Organization.

The headquarters organization consists of: The Administrator and Associate Administrator; Deputy Administrator for Field Operations; Four Divisions: Estimates, Survey Management, Research, and Systems and Information; and the Agricultural Statistics Board. In the field, each of the 45 State Statistical Offices, serving the 50 States, is under a State Statistician.

§ 3600.3 Functions.

(a) *Administrator.* The Administrator is responsible for the formulation of current, intermediate, and long-range policies and plans to carry out a broad statistical program for the agricultural

sector and Departmental functions and activities assigned to NASS. Specific functions are:

(1) Administering an agricultural statistics program which includes estimates of production, marketings, inventories, and selected economic characteristics of the U.S. agricultural and rural economy.

(2) Administering a methodological research program to improve agricultural data collection and processing, data management, estimation, and forecasting.

(3) Administering programs to conduct surveys for other agencies, improve statistics through statistical standards for the Department, and coordinate statistical methods and techniques within the Federal Government.

(4) Administering statistical programs jointly developed through cooperative agreements with State agencies, universities, private groups, and other Federal agencies.

(5) Administering selected international agricultural statistics programs which provide foreign technical assistance, training on statistical methodology for developing countries, and exchange of information.

(b) *Associate Administrator.* The Associate Administrator is responsible for advising and counseling the Administrator and high-level policy officials on matters related to programs of NASS. Major functions include:

(1) Chairing Agricultural Statistics Board activities, designating Board membership, presiding at Board sessions, and formulating specific procedures.

(2) Chairing the NASS Strategic Planning Council which coordinates long-range planning, information resources management, and research reviews.

(3) Chairing the Resource Management Council which coordinates NASS hiring, promotion, and training activities.

(c) *Deputy Administrator for Field Operations.* The Deputy Administrator manages and coordinates data collection and estimating programs carried out by State Statistical Offices. This includes supervision of statistical programs with cooperating State and private groups, universities, and other Federal agencies. Major functions include:

(1) Formulating policies and programs that relate to functions and responsibilities of State Statistical Offices.

(2) Directing agricultural statistics programs established through cooperative agreements with State Departments of Agriculture, Land-Grant

colleges and universities, or appropriate private organizations.

(3) Establishing and maintaining relationships with respondents, producers, commodity groups, data users, and other interested groups to gain cooperation in providing useful, timely, and reliable information.

(d) *Director, Estimates Division.* The Director is responsible for NASS estimating and forecasting programs. Major functions include:

(1) Defining input and output requirements, estimators and variances to be utilized, statistical standards, editing and summarization requirements, and analytic procedures.

(2) Collaborating with the Chairperson of the Agricultural Statistics Board to establish the annual programs of statistical reports.

(3) Developing appropriate systems parameters; processing, summarizing, and presenting current survey and related historical data for Agricultural Statistics Board analysis; and preparing official estimates and forecasts.

(e) *Director, Survey Management Division.* The Director is responsible for application of survey design and data collection methodologies to the agricultural statistics program. Major functions include:

(1) Constructing and maintaining appropriate sampling frames for agricultural and rural surveys.

(2) Designing, testing, and establishing survey techniques and standards, including sample design, sample selection, questionnaires, data collection methods, survey materials, and training methods for NASS.

(3) Reviewing specifications for special data collection activities for programs of other Federal or State agencies.

(f) *Director, Research Division.* The Director is responsible for researching statistical methodology for survey design, data collection, processing, estimating, and forecasting. Major functions include:

(1) Conducting statistical research to develop new and improved sampling techniques, develop improved data collection methods, and identify methods of controlling sampling and nonsampling errors.

(2) Researching statistical computing methods and developing efficient uses of computer technology including telecommunications, networking, and other applications.

(3) Developing new statistical theory and models and solving statistical problems, including numerical methods involving advanced mathematical statistics.

(g) *Director, Systems and Information Division.* The Director is responsible for NASS information management system and processing services. Specific functions are:

(1) Designing, maintaining, and providing access to an integrated and standardized information management system containing sampling frames, survey data, estimates, and administrative records utilized by NASS.

(2) Providing appropriate support for assisting users of the information management system through documentation, evaluation, training, and resolution of information management problems.

(3) Designing and issuing all reports releasing official State and national estimates and forecasts from NASS.

(h) *Chairperson, Agricultural Statistics Board.* The Chairperson reviews, prepares, and issues on specific dates, following approval by the Secretary of Agriculture as provided by law (7 U.S.C. 411a) and Departmental Regulation, the official State and national estimates relating to crop production, livestock and livestock products, dairy and dairy products, poultry and poultry products, stocks of agricultural commodities, value of farm products, farm inputs, and other assigned agricultural aspects.

§ 3600.4 Authority to act for the Administrator.

In the absence of the Administrator, the following officials are designated to serve as Acting Administrator in the order indicated:

Associate Administrator
Deputy Administrator for Field Operations
Director, Estimates Division
Director, Survey Management Division
Director, Systems and Information Division
Director, Research Division

Appendix A to Part 3600—List of State Statistical Offices

Section 1. General

Information concerning NASS statistics programs and activities related to individual States may be obtained from the State Statistician, State Statistical Office, NASS, in the locations listed below.

Section 2. List of Addresses

Alabama, Sterling Centre, Suite 200, 4121 Carmichael Road, Montgomery, AL 36106-2872
Alaska, 809 South Chugach Street, Suite 4, Palmer, AK 99645
Arizona, 3003 North Central Avenue, Suite 950, Phoenix, AZ 85012
Arkansas, 3408 Federal Office Building, Little Rock, AR 72201

California, 1220 "N" Street, Room 243, Sacramento, CA 95814

Colorado, 645 Parfet Street, Suite W-201, Lakewood, CO 80215-5517

Delaware, Delaware Department of Agriculture Building, 2320 South Dupont Highway, Dover, DE 19901

Florida, 1222 Woodward Street, Orlando, FL 32803

Georgia, Stephens Federal Building, Suite 320, Athens, GA 30613

Hawaii, State Department of Agriculture Building, 1428 South King Street, Honolulu, HI 96814

Idaho, 2224 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, ID 83712

Illinois, Illinois Department of Agriculture Building, 801 Sangamon Avenue, Room 54, Springfield, IL 62702

Indiana, 1148 AGAD Building, Purdue University, Room 223, West Lafayette, IN 47907-1148

Iowa, 833 Federal Building, 210 Walnut Street, Des Moines, IA 50309

Kansas, 632 S.W. Van Buren, Room 200, Topeka, KS 66603

Kentucky, Gene Snyder & Courthouse Building, 601 W. Broadway, Room 645, Louisville, KY 40202

Louisiana, 5825 Florida Boulevard, Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Maryland, 50 Harry S Truman Parkway, Suite 202, Annapolis, MD 21401

Michigan, 201 Federal Building, Lansing, MI 48904

Minnesota, 8 East 4th Street, Suite 500, St. Paul, MN 55101

Mississippi, 121 North Jefferson Street, Jackson, MS 39201

Missouri, 601 Business Loop West, Suite 240, Columbia, MO 65203

Montana, Federal Building & U.S. Court House, Room 398, 301 S. Park Avenue, Helena, MT 59626

Nebraska, 100 Centennial Mall N., Room 273 Federal Building, Lincoln, NE 68508

Nevada, Max C. Fleischmann Agriculture Building, Room 232, University of Nevada, Reno, NV 89557

New Hampshire, 22 Bridge Street, Room 301, Concord, NH 03301

New Jersey, Health and Agriculture Building, Room 205, CN-330 New Warren Street, Trenton, NJ 08625

New Mexico, 2507 North Telshor Boulevard, Suite 4, Las Cruces, NM 88001

New York, Department of Agriculture & Markets, 1 Winners Circle, Albany, NY 12235

North Carolina, 2 W. Edenton Street, Raleigh, NC 27601-1085

North Dakota, 1250 Albrecht Boulevard, NDSU, Room 448, Fargo, ND 58105

Ohio, 200 N. High Street, New Federal Building, Room 608, Columbus, OH 43215

Oklahoma, 2800 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, OK 73105

Oregon, 1220 S.W. Third Avenue, Room 1735, Portland, OR 97204

Pennsylvania, 2301 N. Cameron Street, Room G-19, Harrisburg, PA 17110

South Carolina, 1835 Assembly Street, Room 1008, Columbia, SC 29201

South Dakota, 3528 S. Western Avenue, Sioux Falls, SD 57117

Tennessee, 440 Hogan Road, Holeman Office Building, Ellington Agricultural Center, Nashville, TN 37220-1626

Texas, 300 E. 8th Street, Federal Building, Room 504, Austin, TX 78701

Utah, 176 N. 2200 West—Suite 260, Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Virginia, 1100 Bank Street, Room 706, Richmond, VA 23219

Washington, 1111 Washington Street, SE, Olympia, WA 98504

West Virginia, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard E, Charleston, WV 25305

Wisconsin, 2811 Agriculture Drive, Madison, WI 53704

Wyoming, 504 W. 17th Street, Suite 250, Cheyenne, WY 82001

Done at Washington, D.C., this 2nd day of November, 1995.

Rich Allen,

Acting Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service.

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7 CFR Part 3601

Availability of Information to the Public

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends regulations of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) regarding the availability of information to the public in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). This amendment is necessary to inform the public of the change of location and title of the FOIA coordinator for NASS delegated the authority to make initial determinations on FOIA requests.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 16, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stasia A.M. Hutchison, FOIA Coordinator, Agricultural Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 6303 Ivy Lane, Room 456, Greenbelt, MD 20770, (301) 344-2207.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Part 3601 of Title 7, Code of Federal Regulations, is issued in accordance with the regulations of the Secretary of Agriculture at 7 CFR Part 1, Subpart A, implementing FOIA. This amendment to §§ 3601.3 and 3601.4 is necessary to inform the public of the change in the location and title of the FOIA coordinator for NASS delegated the authority to make initial determinations on FOIA requests in accordance with 7 CFR 1.3(a)(3).

This rule relates to internal agency management. Therefore, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, notice of proposed rulemaking and opportunity for comment are not required, and this rule

may be made effective less than 30 days after publication in the Federal Register. Further, since this rule relates to internal agency management, it is exempt from the provisions of Executive Order 12291. Also, this rule will not cause a significant economic impact or other substantial effect on small entities. Therefore, the requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, do not apply.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 3601

Freedom of Information Act.

Accordingly, 7 CFR Part 3601 is amended to read as follows:

PART 3601—PUBLIC INFORMATION

1. The authority citation for Part 3601 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301 and 552; 7 CFR 1.1-1.23 and Appendix A.

2. Part 3601 is amended by revising §§ 3601.3 and 3601.4 to read as follows:

§ 3601.3 Requests for records.

Requests for records of NASS shall be made in accordance with § 1.6 (a) and (b) of this title and addressed to: FOIA Coordinator, Agricultural Research Service, USDA, 6303 Ivy Lane, Room 456, Greenbelt, MD 20770; Telephone (301) 344-2207, Facsimile (301) 344-2325, TDD (301) 344-2435. The FOIA Coordinator is delegated authority to make determinations regarding such requests in accordance with § 1.3(a)(3) of this title.

§ 3601.4 Denials.

If the FOIA Coordinator determines that a requested record is exempt from mandatory disclosure and that discretionary release would be improper, the FOIA Coordinator shall give written notice of denial in accordance with § 1.8(a) of this title.

Done at Washington, D.C., this 2nd day of November, 1995.

Rich Allen,

Acting Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service.

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