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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 96-022-1]

National Animal Damage Control Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: We are giving notice of a meeting of the National Animal Damage Control Advisory Committee.

PLACE, DATES, AND TIME OF MEETING: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, 3836 East Mulberry, Fort Collins, CO, (970) 484-4660. The Committee will meet on May 22, 1996, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. William Clay, Director, Operational Support Staff, ADC, APHIS, Suite 6B02, 4700 River Road Unit 87, Riverdale, MD 20737-1234, (301) 734-7921.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Animal Damage Control Advisory Committee (Committee) advises the Secretary of Agriculture concerning policies, program issues, and research needed to conduct the Animal Damage Control (ADC) program. The Committee also serves as a public forum enabling those affected by the ADC program to have a voice in the program's policies.

The meeting will focus on research and research priorities and will be open to the public. However, due to time constraints, the public will not be allowed to participate in the Committee's discussions. Written statements concerning meeting topics may be filed with the Committee before or after the meeting by sending them to Mr. William Clay at the address listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**, or may be filed at the meeting.

Please refer to Docket No. 96-022-1 when submitting your statements.

This notice of meeting is given pursuant to section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

Done in Washington, DC, this 2nd day of May 1996.

Terry L. Medley,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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Economic Research Service

Notice of Intent To Extend a Currently Approved Information Collection

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Economic Research Service's (ERS) intention to extend a currently approved information collection in support of the annual ERS report on cotton ginning charges, harvesting practices, and selected marketing costs.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by no later than July 11, 1996.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS: Contact Fred Hoff, Associate Director, Information Services Division, Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1301 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005-4788, (202) 219-0511.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Cotton Ginning Charges, Harvesting Practices and Selected Marketing Costs.

OMB Number: 0536-0001.

Expiration Date of Approval: August 31, 1996.

Type of Request: Intent to extend currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Information on cotton ginning charges and harvesting practices has been collected annually from U.S. cotton gins by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) since 1957. This information is used by the USDA and cotton industry participants as a primary source of data for planning and analysis, and is not available in any form elsewhere. Results are shown for each cotton growing state detailing

charges paid by producers for ginning services, the proportion of the crop harvested by different harvesting technologies, and the average volume of seed cotton needed to yield a standard 480-pound net-weight bale. Also, information is provided on the methods of temporary seed cotton storage used in each state. All required information is collected from cotton gins on a simple one-page questionnaire with a postage-paid return envelope enclosed.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes per response.

Respondents: Private owned or cooperative cotton ginning facilities located in 14 states.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,300.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 217 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Edward H. Glade, Jr., Commercial Agriculture Division, ERS, (202) 219-1286.

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, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to: Fred Hoff, Associate Director, Information Services Division, Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1301 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20005-4788, (202) 219-0511.

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.