

McIntosh County line east to Dickey County; the northern Dickey County line east to U.S. Route 281; U.S. Route 281 south to the North Dakota-South Dakota State line; the North Dakota-South Dakota State line east;

Bounded on the East by the eastern South Dakota State line (the Big Sioux River) to A54B;

Bounded on the South by A54B west to State Route 11; State Route 11 north to State Route 44 (U.S. 18); State Route 44 west to the Missouri River; the Missouri River south-southeast to the South Dakota State line; the southern South Dakota State line west; and

Bounded on the West by the western South Dakota State line north; the western North Dakota State line north to U.S. Route 12.

Pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, the following geographic area, the entire State of Missouri, except those export port locations within the State which are serviced by GIPSA, is assigned to this official agency.

Interested persons, including Aberdeen and Missouri, are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of the Act and section 800.196(d) of the regulations issued thereunder. Designation in the specified geographic areas is for the period beginning December 1, 1996, and ending November 30, 1999. Persons wishing to apply for designation should contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information.

Applications and other available information will be considered in determining which applicant will be designated.

AUTHORITY: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*)

Dated: May 10, 1996

Neil E. Porter

Director, Compliance Division

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Natural Resources Conservation Service

White Tank Mountains Watershed, Maricopa County, AZ; Notice of a Finding of No Significant Impact

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines (40 CFR Part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Guidelines (7 CFR Part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S.

Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is not being prepared for the White Tank Mountains Watershed, Maricopa County, Arizona.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Somerville, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 3003 North Central Avenue, Suite 800, Phoenix, AZ 85012, telephone (602) 280-8801.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that the project will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. Based on evidence presented, Michael Somerville, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement are not needed for this project.

The project proposes to rehabilitate an existing flood retarding structure to reduce the threat of loss of life and damage to property.

The Notice of a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and to various Federal, State, and local agencies and interested parties. Copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data developed during the environmental assessment are on file and may be reviewed by contacting Donald Paulus, Water Resources Planning Staff Leader, at the above address.

No administrative action on implementation of the proposal will be taken until 30 days after the date of this publication in the Federal Register.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904, Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention, and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372, which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)

Michael Somerville,

State Conservationist.

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Rural Housing Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Housing

Service's (RHS) intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of the Section 502 Direct and the Section 504 Rural Housing Loans and Grants Programs.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by July 29, 1996, to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gloria L. Denson, Loan Specialist, Single Family Housing Processing Division, RHS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Ag Box 0783, Washington, DC 20250, Telephone 720-1487.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Title: Applicant Reference Letter.

OMB Number: 0575-0091.

Expiration Date of Approval: October 31, 1996.

Type of Request: Extension of a currently approved information collection:

Abstract: The rural housing loan program under Section 502 of title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, provides eligible persons who will live in rural areas with an opportunity to own adequate but modest, decent, safe, and sanitary dwellings and related facilities. Also, the Section 504 loan/grant program is to assist eligible very low-income, owner/occupants to repair single family homes in rural areas. In both programs, the Form FmHA 410-8, "Applicant Reference Letter," provides credit information to County Offices serving the area in which the applicant or borrower will live. Applicants are required to furnish information concerning their credit history to RHS when applying for assistance. Form FmHA 410-8, is used by the Agency to supplement or verify other debts when a credit report is limited and unavailable to determine the applicant's eligibility and creditworthiness for RHS loans and grants. In some cases, credit reports cannot be used because the applicant/borrower lives in a remote area; therefore, the form is widely used by the Agency to obtain credit information. Form FmHA 410-8 asks only for specific relevant information to determine applicant's creditworthiness and to provide clarification on the promptness of the applicant's payments on debts which enables RHS to make better creditworthiness decisions.

RHS must, by law, make available to the applicant, upon request, the source of information used to make an adverse decision. Individual references may be solicited with the clear understanding that if the information is used to deny credit, the information will be made available to the applicant upon request.