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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

May 2, 1997.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1955, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (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 should be addressed to: Desk Office for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), Washington, D.C. 20502 and to Department Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) May be obtained by calling (202) 720-6204 or (202) 720-6747.

An agency May not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

Title: 7 CFR 340 Introduction of Organisms and Products Altered or Produced Through Genetic Engineering Which are Plant Pests or Which There is Reason to Believe are Plant Pests.

OMB Control Number: 0579-0085.

Summary: Information collected includes a permit application and a petition for nonregulated status.

Need and Use of the Information: The information to be collected is needed to determine the risks to agriculture and the environment from certain genetically engineered organisms and products.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 297.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: On occasion.

Total Burden Hours: 5,028.

National Agricultural Library

Title: Agroecosystem Use Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0518-New.

Summary: Input from members of the agriculture and research community is needed to estimate the demand for a digital terrestrial ecosystem database.

Need and Use of the Information: Information will be used to determine necessary actions to provide terrestrial ecosystem data that meets customers needs through a National Data Center for Terrestrial Ecosystems.

Description of Respondents: Federal Government; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 1,950.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 293.

Emergency processing of this submission has been requested by May 9, 1997.

Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service

Title: National Research Initiative Competitive Grants Program Application Kit.

OMB Control Number: 0524-0033.

Summary: Information is required from applicants including projects summaries, descriptions of research and supporting documentation of an administrative and budgetary nature.

Need and Use of the Information: The information is used to evaluate proposals and award grants.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 4,800.

Frequency of Responses:

Recordkeeping; Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 4,400.

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Title: Census List Enhancement Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0535-New.

Summary: Respondents provide name and address for inclusion on a list for the Census of Agriculture.

Need and Use of the Information: The information will be used to help make sure that minority farmers are not undercounted on the Census of Agriculture.

Description of Respondents: Farms.

Number of Respondents: 2,100.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: One time Only.

Total Burden Hours: 175.

Emergency processing of this submission has been requested by May 9, 1997.

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Title: Cooperative Value-Added Program.

OMB Control Number: 0570-New.

Summary: Information collected from respondents includes an application for Federal assistance and a project proposal.

Need and Use of the Information: The information will be used to determine eligibility for the funding of programs that will encourage value-added activities to enhance the economic sustainability of rural communities.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 75.

Frequency of Responses:

Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Quarterly.

Total Burden Hours: 1,446.

Emergency processing of this submission has been requested by May 14, 1997.

Food and Consumer Services

Title: 7 CFR Part 226, Child and Adult Care Food Program.

OMB Control Number: 0584-0055.

Summary: This submission incorporates requirements of an interim rule into the regulations for the Child and Adult Care Food Program. These new requirements establish a two-tiered reimbursement system for day care homes participating in the program.

Need and Use of the Information: The forms included are designed for use by Food and Consumer Service which administer the Child and Adult Care Food Program. These forms also give a prototype for State agencies to use in developing appropriate application, agreements and reviewing forms.

Description of Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or households; Business or other for-profit; Federal Government; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Number of Respondents: 706,001.

Frequency of Responses: Recordkeeping; Reporting: On occasion; Monthly; Semi-annually; Annually; Biennially; Daily.

Total Burden Hours: 4,596,081.

Donald Hulcher,

Departmental Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

[CN 97-002]

Proposal to Reestablish the Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; Proposal to reestablish the Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is proposing to reestablish the advisory committee to review official Universal Standards for American Upland cotton prepared by USDA and make recommendations regarding the establishment or revision of the standards.

DATES: Comments must be received by May 23, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Ross Griffith, Cotton Marketing Specialist, Cotton Division, AMS, USDA, 1400 Independence Ave., S.W., Rm 2641-S, Washington, D.C. 20250-0224.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Griffith (202) 720-3193.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act

(Pub. L. No. 92-463), notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture intends to reestablish the Advisory Committee on Universal Cotton Standards composed of foreign and domestic representatives of the cotton industry. The purpose of the committee is to review official Universal Standards for U.S. Upland cotton prepared by USDA and make recommendations regarding the establishment or revision of the standards.

The Secretary has determined that the work of the committee is in the public interest and is in connection with the duties of the Department of Agriculture. No other advisory committee in existence is capable of advising and assisting the Department on the task assigned, nor does the Department have an alternative means to obtain the technical and practical expertise needed from private industry.

Equal opportunity practices, in line with USDA policies, will be followed in all appointments to the committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Balanced committee membership would be attained domestically and internationally through the following committee composition:

Representation by Domestic Industry

The U.S. cotton industry's committee membership will be comprised of 12 producers and ginners, 6 representatives of merchandising firms, and 6 representatives of textile manufacturers. These representatives from the domestic industry will be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Each member will have one vote. Accordingly, voting privileges will be divided as follows:

- (1) U.S. cotton producers and ginners—12 votes;
- (2) U.S. merchandising firms—6 votes;
- (3) U.S. textile manufacturers—6 votes.

Representation by Foreign Signatory Associations

There will be two committee members from each of the foreign signatory associations. These committee members will be designated by the respective associations. Voting privileges will be divided as follows:

- (1) Foreign signatory merchant associations—6 votes;

(2) Foreign signatory spinner associations—6 votes.

Dated: May 2, 1997.

Pearlie S. Reed,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Snowcreek Golf Course Expansion

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Revised notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, issued a notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the proposed expansion of the Snowcreek Golf Course on National Forest System lands on June 26, 1995. This notice appeared in the **Federal Register** on July 3, 1995 (Volume 60, Number 127, Pages 34502-34504). The proposed expansion is located adjacent to the Town of Mammoth Lakes, within the boundary of the Inyo National Forest, Mono County, California. This revised notice of intent is to provide notice that the original time frames outlined in the notice of intent that was published in July of 1995 have been extended. The original date for release of the Draft EIS was August 1995, and the actual release date was December 1995. The original planned release date for the Final EIS and decision was December 1995, and the revised date is now June of 1997. All other information in the original notice of intent remains unchanged.

ADDRESSES: Dennis Martin, Forest Supervisor, Inyo National Forest, 873 North Main Street, Bishop, California 93514, ATTN: Snowcreek.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct questions about this environmental impact statement to Bob Hawkins, Winter Sports, Specialist, Inyo National Forest, 873 North Main Street, Bishop, California 93514 or telephone (619) 873-2400.

Dated: April 22, 1997.

Dennis W. Martin,

Forest Supervisor.

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