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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

May 1, 2015.

The Department of Agriculture will submit the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 on or after the date of publication of this notice. 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 Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC; New Executive Office Building, 725-17th Street NW., Washington, DC, 20503. Commenters are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250-7602.

Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received by June 8, 2015. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720–8681.

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.

Agricultural Marketing Service

Title: Specialty Crop Block Grant Program—2008 Farm Bill.

OMB Control Number: 0581-0248.

Summary of Collection: The Specialty Crop Block Grant Program—Farm Bill (SCBGP–FB) is authorized under section 101 of the Specialty Crops Competitiveness Act of 2004 (7 U.S.C. 1621 note, amended under section 10109 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008, the Farm Bill). Section 10109 directs the Secretary of Agriculture to make grants to States to be used by State departments of agriculture solely to enhance the competitiveness of specialty crops.

Need and Use of the Information: The information collected is needed for the implementation of the SCBGP–FB, to determine a State department of agriculture's eligibility in the program, and to certify that grant participants are complying with applicable program regulations.

Description of Respondents: State Agriculture Departments.

Number of Respondents: 56.
Frequency of Responses: Reporting:
Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 1,624.

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Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.; Notice of Intent To Hold a Public Workshop and Prepare an Environmental Assessment

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to hold a public workshop and prepare an Environmental Assessment.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) intends to hold a public scoping workshop and prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) in connection with possible impacts related to the construction and operation of a new gas-fired combustion turbine generation facility. The project, Hill County Generation Facility, is proposed by Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. (Brazos), of Waco, Texas. RUS may provide financial assistance for the project. The public scoping workshop is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2015, from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the Community Hall of the First Presbyterian Church at 106 N. Lamar, Itasca, TX 76055.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dennis E. Rankin, Environmental Protection Specialist, RUS, Engineering and Environmental Staff, Stop 1571, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250–1571, Telephone: (202) 720–1953 or email: dennis.rankin@wdc.usda.gov; or Dave McDaniel, Brazos Electric Power, 7616 Bagby Avenue, Waco, Texas 76712, Telephone: (254) 750–6324 or email: dmcdaniel@brazoselectric.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Brazos is proposing to construct a new gas-fired combustion turbine generation facility and is evaluating a potential site located in Hill County, Texas. The 40 acre site is located in the northeast corner of Hill County approximately 8 miles east of Itasca, Texas on FM 66 just west of the Hill County line. Associated facilities include a 4.5 mile gas pipeline and new switching facilities to connect the generation plant to existing transmission lines crossing the site.

Comments regarding the proposed project may be submitted in writing at the public scoping workshop or in writing no later than June 21, 2015, to RUS at the address provided above.

An Environmental Assessment (EA) will be prepared for the proposed project. Based on a review of the EA and other relevant information, RUS will determine if the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is necessary. Should RUS determine that the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement is not necessary, it