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National Agricultural Statistics Service

Title: 2024 Census of Horticultural Specialties.

OMB Control Number: 0535-0236.

Summary of Collection: The census of horticultural specialties is one of a series of census special studies for the census of agriculture which provides more detailed statistics relating to a specific subject. The census of horticultural specialties is an integral part of the 2022 Census of Agriculture and is conducted under the authority of the Census of Agriculture Act of 1997 (Pub. L. 105-113). The law requires that the Secretary of Agriculture conduct a census of agriculture in 1998 and every fifth year following 1998. The Census of Horticultural Specialties has been conducted periodically since 1898 to show how the industry has changed over time. Since 1950 it has been conducted approximately every 10 years. Growing data needs to make policy decisions concerning the horticulture industry have prompted a request from the Secretary of Agriculture and Congress to conduct this survey every 5 years beginning with the 2014 survey as a follow-on to the Census of Agriculture. It is the only source of detailed and consistent data on horticultural crop production and sales by type of plant at both State and national levels. The horticultural specialties census includes operations growing and selling \$10,000 or more of horticultural specialty crops. The sampling of small operations with sales between \$1,000 and \$10,000 is used as an indicator of how many small operations have increased their sales since the 2022 Census of Agriculture was conducted.

Need and Use of the Information: The primary objective of the horticultural specialties census is to obtain a comprehensive and detailed picture of the horticultural sector of the economy. It is the only source of detailed production and sales data at the national level. The continuation of this census will allow for bench marking of changes to the industry. The census of horticultural specialties will include statistics on number and value of plants grown and sold, the value of land, buildings, machinery and equipment, selected production expenses, marketing channels, hired labor, area used for production, and type of structure. Without the census of horticultural specialties, government policy makers and planners would lack

valuable information needed to accomplish their missions. Instead, they would have to rely on assumptions and guess work to determine policy.

This is a reinstatement with change, of the Census of Horticultural Specialties survey to be conducted as a follow-on survey to the 2022 Census of Agriculture.

Description of Respondents: Farms; Business or other for-profit.

Number of Respondents: 40,000.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting: Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 51,677.

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Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Superior National Forest; Minnesota; Superior National Forest School Trust Land Exchange Project; Withdrawal of Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice; withdrawal.

SUMMARY: The Superior National Forest is withdrawing its draft environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Superior National Forest School Trust Land Exchange Project. The Superior National Forest's decision to withdraw the draft EIS is based on several issues that arose with the original exchange. Through consideration of public comments and consultation from local Tribes, a variety of viewpoints on the exchange proposal were considered. These considerations informed a decision by the State of Minnesota to withdraw its request for a land exchange. Because the State of Minnesota has withdrawn their request, the draft EIS is being canceled.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions concerning this notice should be directed to Superior National Forest Supervisor, Thomas Hall, by phone at 218-626-4302 or by email at thomas.hall@usda.gov. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf or hard of hearing may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays. For more information, see the project website at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/superior/?project=45943>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The original notice of intent was published in the **Federal Register** on August 28,

2015 (80 FR 52245), and the notice of availability for the draft EIS was published in the **Federal Register** on August 11, 2017 (82 FR 37583).

Dated: July 3, 2024.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

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American Community Survey Timeline for Implementing Updated 2024 Race and Ethnicity Data Standards

AGENCY: Census Bureau, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: The American Community Survey (ACS) collects race and ethnicity data from respondents according to the standards outlined by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in Statistical Policy Directive No. 15 (SPD 15). In March 2024, OMB issued updates to SPD 15 that must be implemented into all Federal information collections that collect data on race and ethnicity as soon as possible but no later than March 28, 2029. The Department of Commerce invites the public to comment on the timeline for the adoption of these updated standards for the ACS.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments must be received on or before August 12, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by email to acso.pra@census.gov. Please reference ACS SPD 15 in the subject line of your comments. Comments may also be submitted through the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal at www.regulations.gov under the docket established for this request for comment, USBC-2024-0020. Click the "Comment Now!" icon, complete the require fields, and enter or attach your comments. All comments received are part of the public record. No comments will be posted to <https://www.regulations.gov> for public viewing until after the comment period has closed. Comments will generally be posted without change. All Personally Identifiable Information (for example, name and address) voluntarily