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collection is less than 1,000 hours (considered at 3 hours per partner for an estimated 300 contractors).

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producers in any one State) support the conduct of a referendum, the Secretary must conduct a referendum within one year of that determination. If these requirements are not met, a referendum is not conducted.

A notice of opportunity to Request a Soybean Referendum was published in the **Federal Register** (89 FR 7353) on February 2, 2024. To be eligible to participate in the Request for Referendum, producers or the producer entity that they are authorized to represent must provide supporting documentation showing that they or the producer entity they represent paid an assessment sometime during the representative period between January 1, 2022, and December 31, 2023. Based on data from USDA's Farm Service Agency, there are 413,358 soybean producers in the United States.

A total of 229 producers participated in the Request for Referendum. Only 207 valid requests for a referendum were completed by eligible soybean producers. This number does not meet the requisite number of 41,336. Therefore, based on the results, a referendum will not be conducted. In accordance with the provisions of the Act, soybean producers will be provided another opportunity to request a referendum in 5 years.

The following are the State-by-State results of the Request for Referendum:

State	Valid ballots
Alabama	0
Alaska	0
Arizona	0
Arkansas	0
California	0
Colorado	0
Connecticut	0
Delaware	0
Florida	0
Georgia	0
Hawaii	0
Idaho	0
Illinois	35
Indiana	33
Iowa	46
Kansas	2
Kentucky	7
Louisiana	0
Maine	0
Maryland	4
Massachusetts	0
Michigan	1
Minnesota	27
Mississippi	0
Missouri	12
Montana	0

AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Employment Records Collection From Implementing Partners of Contracts in Afghanistan

AGENCY: United States Agency for International Development (USAID).
ACTION: Notice of OMB approval.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the emergency review procedures of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), USAID is requesting emergency approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a new data collection survey on employees of the Implementing Partners of USAID contracts in Afghanistan for the purpose of facilitating the Special Immigrant Visa (SIV) Chief Of Mission (COM) approval process overseen by the Department of State.

DATES: USAID plans to collect this information starting from October, 2024.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 5 CFR 1320.13, the Agency submitted a request for emergency approval to collect new information on the employment records of full-time Afghan employees from USAID contractors in Afghanistan.

Description of Proposed Use of Information: The information will include employee details such as dates of employment and contract number, which will be used to verify employment as part of the COM approval step of the SIV application process. This information will be collected via email through encrypted Microsoft Excel spreadsheets.

Estimated Time Burden: The total amount of time estimated for this data

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

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Soybean Promotion, Research, and Information Program: Results of Soybean Request for Referendum

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The results of the Agricultural Marketing Service's (AMS) Request for Referendum indicate that too few soybean producers wanted a referendum on the Soybean Promotion and Research Order (Order) for one to be conducted. The Request for Referendum was conducted from May 6, 2024, through May 31, 2024, at the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Farm Service Agency County offices. To trigger a referendum, 41,336 soybean producers, which represents 10 percent of the total nationwide soybean producers, needed to complete a valid Request for Referendum. The total number of soybean producers participating in the referendum was 229. The number of valid petitions received was 207.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the Soybean Promotion, Research, and Consumer Information Act (Act) (7 U.S.C. 6301 *et seq.*), every 5 years the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary) gives soybean producers the opportunity to request a referendum on the Order. If the Secretary determines that at least 10 percent of U.S. producers engaged in growing soybeans (not in excess of one-fifth of which may be