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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 96-020-1]

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of a currently approved information collection in support of the Application for Inspection and Certification of Animal Byproducts.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by June 17, 1996 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the accuracy of burden estimate, ways to minimize the burden (such as the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology), or any other aspect of this collection of information to: Docket No. 96-020-1, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, suite 3C03, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please send an original and three copies, and state that your comments refer to Docket 96–020–1. Comments received may be inspected at USDA, room 1141, South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC, between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. Persons wishing to inspect comments and notices are requested to call ahead on (202) 690-2817 to facilitate entry into the comment reading room.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: For information on the Application for Inspection and Certification of Animal Byproducts, contact Dr. John Gray, Senior Staff Veterinarian, National Center for Import and Export, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 40, Riverdale, MD 20737–1231, (301) 734–7837; or e-mail: jgray@aphis.usda.gov. For copies of the proposed collection of information, contact Ms. Cheryl Jenkins, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 734–5360.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Application for Inspection and Certification of Animal Byproducts.

OMB Number: 0579–0008.

Expiration Date of Approval: June 30, 1996.

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

Abstract: U.S. exporters who wish to export certain animal byproducts to other countries must, in some instances, furnish the importing country with certificates that have been issued or endorsed by U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Veterinary Services (VS). These certificates attest to the class and quality of these products, and also attest that the products have been processed according to the conditions and requirements of the importing country. VS Form 16–24 is one such certificate.

The information requested on VS Form 16–24 is provided by the applicant and notifies us that the applicant desires to have us monitor the processing of the product. After monitoring the processing technique, we certify (on VS Form 16–24) that the product was processed according to the conditions and requirements of the importing country. Without this certification, the importing country would not accept the product, and the applicant would be unable to conduct business with that country.

The use of VS Form 16–24 has no impact on animal disease prevention or eradication activities in the United States. The form was developed strictly in response to the importation requirements of other countries.

The use of VS Form 16–24 provides ample space for the applicant to list, in detail, the processing technique that we need to verify to make the product eligible to enter the importing country.

The form also serves as the written agreement under which the applicant (the U.S. exporter) pays for the services we render in connection with documenting the certification statements required by the importing country.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. We need this outside input to help us:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other collection technologies, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .5 hours per response.

Respondents: U.S. exports of animal byproducts.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20.

Estimated Numbers of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 10 hours.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection.

Done in Washington, DC, this 10th day of April 1996.

Terry L. Medley,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

[FR Doc. 96–9346 Filed 4–15–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–34–P

Forest Service

California Coast Province Advisory Committee (PAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The California Coast Province Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet on May 2 and 3, 1996, at the Aurora RV Park Conference Room, 2985 Lakeshore Blvd., Nice, California. The meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and continue until 5 p.m. both days. Agenda items to be covered on May 2 include: (1) Open public forum; (2) Federal budget process overview presentation and PAC input; (3) Report and recommendation from PAC Coordinating Subcommittee on outyear planning for federal lands watershed restoration project proposals; (4) Report from PAC member on Sierra Club trip to Washington, DC; (5) Agency updates on implementing the Northwest Forest Plan; and (6) Draft letter concerning rechartering PACs. May 3, will be an optional field trip to the Van Arsdale Dam fish ladder, Middle Creek filtering project, and Lake Pillsbury. All California Coast province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct questions regarding this meeting to Daniel Chisholm, USDA, Forest Supervisor, Mendocino National Forest, 825 N. Humboldt Avenue, Willows, CA 95988, (916) 934–3316 or Phebe Brown, Province Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, 825 N. Humboldt Avenue, Willows, CA 95988, (916) 934–3316.

Dated: April 5, 1996. Daniel K. Chisholm, Forest Supervisor.

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Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection for Geophysical Prospecting Permit

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of intent; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction of 1995, this notice announces the Forest Service's intention to extend, under OMB Number 0596-0089, collection of information necessary to authorize geophysical investigations on lands managed by the agency. Using the Application for Prospecting Permit Form R1-FS-2800-4 (formerly R1-FS-2860–1), applicants describe the type and size of the proposed geophysical operation, the location, the equipment that would be used, and addresses and phone numbers for the applicant and responsible local representative.

Applicants could include mineral lessees, oil and gas operators, and geophysical contracting companies. The information is used in an environmental analysis prior to making a decision on the request for permit.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before June 17, 1996.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be addressed to: Director, Lands & Minerals Staff, Attn: Leslie Vaculik, Forest Service, USDA, P.O. Box 7669, Missoula, MT 59807.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leslie Vaculik at (406) 329–3592.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description of Form

Title: Application for Prospecting Permit Form R1–FS–2800–1 (formerly R1–FS–2860–1).

OMB Number: 0596-0089.

Expiration Date of Approval: 6/30/96.

Type of Request: Extension of currently approved collection.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to be 15 minutes per response.

Type of Respondents: Oil & gas companies, mineral lessees, geophysical companies, education or research organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 20 per year.

Estimated Number of Responses per respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on respondents: 5 hours.

Comments Are Invited On

(a) Whether the proposed 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 the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Use of Comments

All comments received in response to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record. Dated: April 5, 1996.

Sterling J. Wilcox,

Acting Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest Systems.

[FR Doc. 96–9354 Filed 4–15–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–11–M

Delegation of Authority to Regional Lands Directors

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service gives notice of a delegation of authority to Directors of Lands (or equivalent officials) in Regional Offices to execute documents prepared pursuant to the Resolution of Western Land Dispute Act of July 2, 1993. This delegation was issued on March 26, 1996, by Interim Directive Number 5570–96–1 to Chapter 5570 of the Forest Service Manual. A copy of the Interim Directive is set out at the end of this notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Interim Directive Number 5570–96–1 was effective on March 26, 1996.

FURTHER CONTACT: Marsha Butterfield, Lands Staff, Forest Service, USDA, (202) 205–1248.

Dated: April 9, 1996. Joan M. Comanor, *Acting Chief.*

FOREST SERVICE MANUAL

Washington, D.C.

Interim Directive: 5570–96–1. Effective Date: March 26, 1996. Expiration Date: September 26, 1997. Chapter: 5570—Sales, Grants, and Special Acts.

This interim directive (ID) to FSM 5570.13, Special Acts, adds paragraph 4, Forest Lieu Selection, concerning the Resolution of Western Land Dispute Act of July 2, 1993, which resolved the title status of certain lands relinquished to the United States under the Act of June 4, 1897. The ID also adds the responsibility in FSM 5570.41 of the Director of Lands, Regional Office (or equivalent official) for executing documents under this act; this responsibility may not be delegated. /s/Gerald Coghlan,

 $For {\it Janice McDougle, Associate Deputy Chief.}$

5570.13—Special Acts.

4. Forest Lièu Selection. The Resolution of Western Land Dispute Act of July 2, 1993 (Pub. L. 103–48) resolved the title status of certain lands relinquished to the Untied States under the Act of June 4, 1897 (16 U.S.C. 473–475). (See FSM 5570.41 for direction on the responsibility for executing documents pursuant to this act.