

eligibility criteria for orchardists in the TAP regulations at 7 CFR part 783, and the other limitations set out in this notice, except as specified in this notice.

(4) The Deputy Administrator may allow exceptions to procedures regarding the special pecan tree provisions of this paragraph II.(f) of this notice as may be determined appropriate based on comments received on this notice.

(5) Payments for tree damage may only be made for tree damage which exceeds more than 15%, after accounting for normal tree damage.

(6) Persons receiving payment cannot exceed the higher of 75% of the actual amount spent on the eligible losses by the claimant for eligible damage or the reasonable cost, as determined by the Farm Service Agency, of the measures undertaken on the eligible damage. "Eligible damage" means the damage in excess of the qualifying amount.

III. Appeals

Any person who is dissatisfied with a determination made with respect to these programs may make a request for reconsideration or appeal of such determination in accordance with the regulations set forth in 7 CFR parts 11 and 780. A reserve may be created to handle claims to payments that extend beyond the conclusion of the application period, but claims shall not be payable once the available funding is expended.

IV. Paperwork Reduction Act

The information collections associated with TAP have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under 5 CFR 1320.13(a)(2)(iii) and were assigned OMB control number 0560-0247.

V. Environmental Review

The environmental impacts of this rule have been considered consistent with the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*, the regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), and the FSA regulations for compliance with NEPA, 7 CFR part 799. FSA has initiated the completion of an environmental assessment (EA) to determine the potential impacts of this action upon the human and natural environments. A copy of the draft EA will be made available to the public upon its completion.

Signed in Washington, DC, March 25, 2005.

Thomas B. Hofeller,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection: United States Warehouse Act

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.
ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Farm Service Agency's (FSA) intention to request an extension from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for an information collection process currently in effect with respect to regulations, licensing and electronic provider agreements issued under the United States Warehouse Act (USWA).

DATES: Comments must be received on or before May 31, 2005 to be assured consideration. Comments may be submitted by mail, fax, e-mail or Internet to the applicable address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Roger Hinkle, USWA Program Manager, Warehouse and Inventory Division, Farm Service Agency (FSA), United States Department of Agriculture, STOP 0553, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0553, telephone (202) 720-7433, FAX (202) 690-1323, e-mail address, Roger.Hinkle@usda.gov. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of regulatory information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roger Hinkle, (202) 720-8433 or e-mail Roger.Hinkle@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: United States Warehouse Act.
OMB Control Number: 0560-0120.
Expiration Date of Approval: August 31, 2005.

Type of Request: Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

Abstract: The USWA authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to license public warehouse operators that are in the business of storing agricultural products; to examine such federally-licensed warehouses; and to license

qualified persons to sample, inspect, weigh, and grade agricultural products. USDA is also authorized to issue regulations which govern the establishment and maintenance of electronic systems under which electronic documents including title documents related to the shipment, payment and financing may be issued or transferred for any agricultural product. The USWA licenses over 50 percent of all commercial grain and cotton warehouse capacities in the United States.

The information collected under OMB Number 0560-0120, as identified above, allows FSA to effectively administer the regulations, licensing and electronic provider agreements and related reporting and recordkeeping requirements under the USWA. USWA activities are administered by the FSA and also encompass examination of warehouses operated under the Standards for Approval of Warehouses Under the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) Charter Act. Although there are several types of warehouses covered by USWA and CCC functions, the reporting requirements for a particular type of warehouse are essentially the same. With some exceptions, the same forms are used for both USWA licensing and CCC purposes. These forms are furnished to interested warehouse operators or used by warehouse examiners employed by FSA to secure and record information about the warehouse operator and the warehouse. The general purpose of the forms are identical, *i.e.*, to provide those charged with issuing licenses under the USWA or executing contracts for CCC with a basis to determine whether the warehouse and the warehouse operator meet application standards to receive a license or contract, and to determine compliance once the license is issued or the contract approved.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this information collection is estimated to average 0.41 hours per response.

Respondents: Warehouse operators and electronic providers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 4,000.

Estimated Number of Responses Per Respondent: 1 or on occasion.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 25,613.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 10,516 Hours.

Comments are invited on these requirements including: (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 collection of information including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information technology; or (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on those who are to respond (such as through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques) or other forms of information technology; e.g., permitting electronic submission response. The information collection package may be obtained from Roger Hinkle, at the address listed below. Comments should be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB, Washington, DC 20503, and to Roger Hinkle, USWA Program Manager, Warehouse and Inventory Division, FSA, USDA, STOP 0553, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0553.

Comments received in response to this notice will be made a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for approval by OMB.

Signed in Washington, DC on March 25, 2005.

Thomas B. Hofeller,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Information Collection; Transfer of Farm Records Between Counties

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Farm Service Agency (FSA) is seeking comments from interested individuals and organizations on a new information collection associated with transferring of farm records from one administrative county office to another.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before May 31, 2005 to be assured consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Farm Service Agency, USDA, Attn: Alison Groenwoldt, Agricultural Program Specialist, Common Provisions Branch, 1400 Independence Ave, SW, Washington, DC 20250. Comments

should also be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments also may be submitted by e-mail to: alison.groenwoldt@usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alison Groenwoldt, Agricultural Program Specialist, (202) 720-4213 and alison.groenwoldt@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description of Information Collection

Title: Transfer of Farm Records Between Counties.

OMB Control Number: 0560-NEW.

Type of Request: New.

Abstract: Farm owners or operators may elect to transfer farm records between counties when the principal dwelling of the farm operator has changed, a change has occurred in the operation of the land, or there has been a change that would cause the receiving administrative county office to be more accessible such as a new highway, relocation of the county office building site, etc. The transfer of farm records is also required when an FSA county office closes. The FSA County Committees from both the transferring and receiving county must approve or disapprove all proposed farm transfers. In some cases, the State Committee and/or the National Office must also approve or disapprove proposed farm transfers.

Estimate of Burden: Average 10 minutes per response.

Type of Respondents: Owners and operators.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 25,000.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondents: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 2,500 hours.

Comment is invited on: (1) 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; (2) 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; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information from those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will

be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget Approval.

Signed at Washington, DC, on March 25, 2005.

Thomas B. Hofeller,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food and Nutrition Service

Agency Information Collection

Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Form FNS-674, Computer System Access Request

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice invites the general public and other public agencies to comment on proposed information collections. The FNS-674 Form is a standard form used by the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) to collect information necessary to grant access to FNS computer systems. The collected data will be used to identify all users granted access to FNS internal systems as required by USDA and FNS Security Policy.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by May 31, 2005.

ADDRESSES: 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 has 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; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Juanita Makuta, Information Systems Security Officer, Information Technology Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.