

Analysis Division, Kansas City
Commodity Office, (816) 926-6509.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Brokerage Agreement for the
Transportation of USDA Commodities.

OMB Control Number: 0560-0224.

Type of Request: Extension with
revision.

Abstract: CCC, through the Kansas
City Commodity Office (KCCO), solicits
bids from brokers for the purpose of
providing transportation brokerage
services of agricultural commodities.
Only approved Intermodal Marketing
Companies (IMC) will be authorized to
provide rail trailer-on-flatcar/container-
on-flatcar (TOFC/COFC) service that
CCC hires to provide program
transportation needs. Only approved
Motor Carriers will be authorized to
provide over the road trucking service
that CCC hires to meet domestic and
export program needs. Intermodal
Marketing Companies and Motor
Carriers that choose to broker loads with
the KCCO Export Operations Division
(EOD) are required to complete and
submit the KC-11 (Brokerage Agreement
for the Transportation of USDA
Commodities). Completion of the form
is only required one time. EOD is
collecting information to determine the
brokers that are available to meet CCC
requirements for hauling agricultural
products for CCC.

Respondents: Brokers.

Respondents: 47.

*Estimated Number of Annual
Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on
Respondents:* 47 hours.

Comments are invited 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 collected; or (d) ways to
minimize the burden of the collection of
the 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.

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 September
24, 2005.

James R. Little,

*Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit
Corporation.*

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

**Cooperative State Research,
Education, and Extension Service**

**Notice of Intent To Revise a Currently
Approved Information Collection**

AGENCY: Cooperative State Research,
Education, and Extension Service,
USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for
comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub.
L. 104-13) and Office of Management
and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR
part 1320 (60 FR 44977, August 29,
1995), this notice announces the
Cooperative State Research, Education,
and Extension Service's (CSREES)
intention to revise a currently approved
information collection entitled,
"Cooperative State Research, Education
and Extension Service Application Kit
for Research and Extension Programs."

DATES: Written comments on this notice
must be received by December 2, 2005
to be assured of consideration.
Comments received after that date will
be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments
concerning this notice may be mailed to
Jason Hitchcock, E-Government Program
Leader, Information Systems and
Technology Management, CSREES,
USDA, STOP 2216, 1400 Independence
Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-
2216 or sent electronically to:
jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To
request a copy of the information
collection, contact Jason Hitchcock,
telephone:(202) 720-4343 or e-mail:
jhitchcock@csrees.usda.gov.

CSREES Forms-2002, -2003, -2004,
-2005, -2006, -2007, and -2008 are also
available in PDF and MSWord formats
on the CSREES Web site, under
"CSREES Application Forms," at
[http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/
forms.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms.html). CSREES Form-2010 is
available under "Multicultural Scholars
Application Forms," at [http://
www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms
multicultural.html](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/funding/forms/multicultural.html).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Cooperative State Research,
Education, and Extension Service

Application Kit for Research and
Extension Programs.

OMB Number: 0524-0039.

Expiration Date of Current Approval:
March 31, 2006.

Type of Request: Revise a currently
approved information collection.

Abstract: The Cooperative State
Research, Education, and Extension
Service (CSREES) sponsors ongoing
agricultural research, extension, and
education programs under which
competitive, special, and other awards
of a high-priority nature are made.
Before awards can be made, certain
information is required from applicants
as part of an overall proposal package.
In addition to project summaries,
descriptions of the research, extension,
or education efforts; literature reviews;
curricula vitae of project directors;
other, relevant technical aspects of the
proposed project; and supporting
documentation of an administrative and
budgetary nature also must be provided.

Because of the nature of the
competitive, peer-reviewed process, it is
important that information from
applicants be available in a
standardized format to ensure equitable
treatment. Each year, solicitations are
issued requesting proposals for various
research, education, and extension areas
targeted for support. Applicants submit
proposals for these targeted areas
following formats outlined in the
proposal application guidelines
accompanying each program's
solicitation. These proposals are
evaluated by peer review panels and
awarded on a competitive basis. The
forms and narrative information are
mainly used for proposal evaluation and
administration purposes. While some of
the information is used to respond to
inquiries from Congress and other
government agencies, the forms are not
designed to be statistical surveys or data
collection instruments. Their
completion by potential recipients is a
normal part of the application to
agencies which support basic and
applied science.

In FY 2004, CSREES initiated the
receipt of applications electronically
through the Grants.gov ([http://
www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov)) storefront for limited
programs. CSREES expects to utilize the
SF-424(R&R) Application for Federal
Assistance data set and forms package
(see 69 FR 53923) along with CSREES
Agency-specific forms to receive
applications electronically. The CSREES
Agency-specific forms have been
deployed; and, after additional
operational testing of the forms and
their instructions, CSREES will again
make available the option to submit
applications electronically to CSREES

through Grants.gov. As CSREES transitions to use of the SF-424(R&R), there remains a need for the currently approved information collection entitled, "Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service Application Kit for Research and Extension Programs."

The following information is collected in the "Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service Application Kit for Research and Extension Programs."

Form CSREES-2002, Proposal Cover Page: Provides names, mailing and electronic addresses, and telephone numbers of project directors and authorized agents of applicant institutions and general information regarding the proposals.

Form CSREES-2003, Project Summary: Lists the Project Director(s) and their institution(s), project title and key words, and a project summary which allows for quick screening and assignment of proposals to peer reviewers.

Form CSREES-2004, Proposal Budget: Provides a breakdown of the purposes for which funds will be spent in the event of an award.

Form CSREES-2005, Current and Pending Support: Provides information for active and pending projects.

Form CSREES-2006, National Environmental Policy Act Exclusions: Allows identification of whether or not the proposal fits one of the exclusions listed for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (7 CFR Part 3407). This information is used in determining whether or not further action is needed to meet the requirements of this Act.

Form CSREES-2007, Identification of Conflicts of Interest: Lists the person(s) who are in conflict of interest with the applicant(s). This is used when selecting peer review panels to assure objective reviews.

Form CSREES-2008, Assurance Statement(s): Provides required assurances of compliance with regulations involving the protection of human subjects, animal welfare, and recombinant DNA research. This form is to be used for competitive, special, and formula-funded projects.

Proposal Summary/Proposal Narrative: Provides a description of the proposed activity for which support is requested including objectives, plan of operation, and the project's significance to higher education in the food and agricultural sciences.

Form CSREES-2010, Fellowships/Scholarships Entry/Exit Form: This form will only apply to recipients of a CSREES fellowship or scholarship. The

form will be used to document fellowship appointments and scholarships, pertinent demographic data on the fellows/scholars, and documentation of the progress of the fellows/scholars under the program.

The following information will be collected in the CSREES agency-specific forms when the agency transitions to use of the SF-424(R&R) forms.

Supplemental Information Form: This form is to be used by all competitive and special grant programs, and will collect the program name and program code to which the applicant is applying, additional applicant type information, Department of Health and Human Services Payment Management System account information, key words, and conflict of interest information.

NRI Proposal Type Form: This form will be used only by the National Research Initiative to collect the specific type of application being submitted.

Application Modification Form: This form will be used to indicate the forms or narrative portions of an application that an applicant has changed or corrected.

Respondents: Non-profit institutions, State, local, or Tribal governments, and a limited number of for-profit institutions and individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: For applicants: 7,150 each for the Proposal Summary/Proposal Narrative and Forms CSREES-2002, -2003, -2004, -2005, -2006, and -2007; 9,450 for Form CSREES-2008, Supplemental Information Form; 3,000 for the NRI Proposal Type Form; and 1,000 for the Application Modification Form. For grantees: 50 for Form CSREES-2010.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents (calculated based on a survey of grant applicants conducted by CSREES): The three year total burden on the public is estimated to be 161,029 hours. This burden assumes 156,813 in the first year and 2,108 in each of years 2 and 3 when CSREES transitions to the use of the SF-424 (R&R) forms and CSREES Agency-specific forms. The 161,029 estimated total burden over three years equates to an estimated annual average of burden to the public of 53,676 hours (161,029 ÷ 3).

The individual form burden is as follows: 21,450 hours for Form CSREES-2002, "Proposal Cover Page," (3 hours per response); 3,575 hours for Form CSREES-2003, "Project Summary," (.5 hours per response); 7,150 hours for Form CSREES-2004, "Proposal Budget," (1 hour per response); 7,150 hours for Form CSREES-2005, "Current and Pending Support," (1 hour per response); 1,788 hours for Form CSREES-2006,

"National Environmental Policy Act Exclusions," (.25 hours per response); 3,575 hours for Form CSREES-2007, "Identification of Conflicts of Interest," (.5 hours per response); 4,725 hours for Form CSREES-2008, "Assurance Statement," (.5 hours per response); 107,250 for the "Proposal Summary/Proposal Narrative," (an average of 15 hours per response); and 150 hours for Form CSREES-2010, "Fellowships/Scholarships Entry/Exit Form," (3 hours per response).

For the CSREES Agency-specific forms that will accompany the SF-424 (R&R) forms: 1,788 for the "Supplemental Information" form (.25 hours per response), 240 hours for the "NRI Application Type" form (.08 hours per response), and 80 hours for the "Application Modification" form (.08 hours per response).

Frequency of Respondents: Annually.

Comments: 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 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. Comments should be sent to the address stated in the preamble.

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

Done at Washington, DC, this 22nd day of September, 2005.

Colien Hefferan,

Administrator, Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

[05-MN-C]

Opportunity To Comment on the Applicants for the Minnesota Area

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.