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Mount Olive, New Jersey.

Committee members will initially
serve one- or two-year terms, and may be
reappointed to serve up to six
consecutive years. In the event of a
vacancy, the Secretary will appoint a
new member as appropriate and subject
to the provisions of the Federal
Advisory Committee Act. The duties of
the Committee are solely advisory.

Committee members will serve
without pay. Reimbursement of travel
expenses and per diem costs shall be
made to Committee members who
would be unable to attend Committee
meetings without such reimbursement.

Joseph J. Jen,

*Under Secretary, Research, Education, and
Economics.*

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. 03-007-1]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health
Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Extension of approval of an
information 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 approval of an
information collection in support of the
importation of animals and poultry,
animal and poultry products, and
animal germ plasm.

DATES: We will consider all comments
that we receive on or before June 16,
2003.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments
by postal mail/commercial delivery or
by e-mail. If you use postal mail/
commercial delivery, please send four
copies of your comment (an original and
three copies) to: Docket No. 03-007-1,
Regulatory Analysis and Development,
PPD, APHIS, Station 3C71, 4700 River
Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-
1238. Please state that your comment
refers to Docket No. 03-007-1. If you
use e-mail, address your comment to
regulations@aphis.usda.gov. Your
comment must be contained in the body
of your message; do not send attached
files. Please include your name and
address in your message and "Docket
No. 03-007-1" on the subject line.

You may read any comments that we
receive on this docket in our reading
room. The reading room is located in
room 1141 of the USDA South Building,
14th Street and Independence Avenue
SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading
room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.,
Monday through Friday, except
holidays. To be sure someone is there to
help you, please call (202) 690-2817
before coming.

APHIS documents published in the
Federal Register, and related
information, including the names of
organizations and individuals who have
commented on APHIS dockets, are
available on the Internet at [http://
www.aphis.usda.gov/ppd/rad/
webrepor.html](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/ppd/rad/webrepor.html).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For
information regarding the importation of
animals and poultry, animal and poultry
products, and animal germplasm,
contact Dr. Gary Colgrove, Director,
National Center for Import and Export,
VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 38,
Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; (301) 734-
4356. For copies of more detailed
information on the information
collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles,
APHIS' Information Collection
Coordinator, at (301) 734-7477.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Importation of Animals and
Poultry, Animal and Poultry Products,
Certain Animal Embryos, Semen, and
Zoological Animals.

OMB Number: 0579-0040.

Type of Request: Extension of
approval of an information collection.

Abstract: The Animal and Plant
Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of
the United States Department of
Agriculture is responsible for, among
other things, preventing the
introduction of exotic animal diseases
into the United States and for rapidly

identifying, containing, and eradicating
such diseases when feasible. In
connection with this mission, APHIS
collects pertinent information from
those individuals who import animals
or poultry, animal or poultry products,
or animal germplasm into the United
States.

This information includes data such
as the origins of the animals or animal
products to be imported, the health
status of the animals or the processing
methods used to produce animal
products to be imported, and whether
the animals or animal products were
temporarily offloaded in another
country during their transit to the
United States. We need this information
to help ensure that these imports do not
introduce exotic animal diseases into
the United States.

We use a variety of information
collection procedures, devices, and
forms including, but not limited to:
Health certificates, import permits, ear
tags, leg bands, specimen submission
forms, inspection reports, cooperative
and trust fund agreements, and
certification statements.

We are asking the Office of
Management and Budget (OMB) to
approve our use of these information
collection activities for an additional 3
years.

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

(1) Evaluate 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;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our
estimate of the burden of the
information collection, 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
information collection on those who are
to respond, through use, as appropriate,
of automated, electronic, mechanical,
and other collection technologies, e.g.,
permitting electronic submission of
responses.

Estimate of burden: The public
reporting burden for this collection of
information is estimated to average
0.0369992 hours per response.

Respondents: Entities that import
animals or poultry, animal or poultry
products, and animal embryos,
germplasm, and semen.

*Estimated annual number of
respondents:* 169,806.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 9.618176.

Estimated annual number of responses: 1,633,224.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 60,428 hours. (Due to averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

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.

Done in Washington, DC, this 10th day of April 2003.

Peter Fernandez,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Crupina Vegetation Management, Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests, Chelan Ranger District, Washington

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Revised notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: On October 17, 2002, the USDA, Forest Service, Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forests, published a Notice of Intent (in **Federal Register**, 67 FR 64082) to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for Crupina Vegetation Management. The current Forest Service vegetation management strategy would be more accurately reflected if this project EIS were titled "Crupina Integrated Weed Management Project". Therefore, this EIS is revised. Other environmental analyses activities related to past wildfires have delayed the release dates for this EIS. The revised release date for the draft EIS will be July 2003 and the final December 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Archambeault, Crupina Project Team Leader, Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forests; phone: (509) 997-9738 or Mallory Lenz, Wildlife Biologist, Chelan Ranger District, phone (509) 682-2576.

April 9, 2003.

Michael C. Ash,

Deputy Regional Forester, Pacific Northwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Glenn/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Glenn/Colusa County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Willows, California. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Introductions, (2) approval of minutes, (3) public comment, (4) brochure for Glenn/Colusa, (5) historical library, (6) report on reimbursement of search & rescue, (7) update on absent members, (8) how to solicit projects, (9) report on Fire Safe Council, (10) general discussion, (11) next agenda.

DATES: The meeting will be held on April 28, 2003, from 1:30 p.m. and end at approximately 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mendocino National Forest Supervisor's Office, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988. Individuals wishing to speak or propose agenda items must send their names and proposals to Jim Giachino, DFO, 825 N. Humboldt Ave., Willows, CA 95988.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bobbin Gaddini, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, P.O. Box 164, Elk Creek, CA 95939. (530) 968-5329; e-mail ggaddini@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, persons who wish to bring matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by April 25, 2003 will have the opportunity to address the committee at those sessions.

Dated: April 9, 2003.

James F. Giachino,

Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on Thursday, May 1, 2003, at the Economic Development Association of Skagit County, 204 West Montgomery Street, Mt. Vernon, WA. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and last until approximately 3 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting will be to review, evaluate and, if time allows, recommend funding of proposed Title II projects for 2004 under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act.

All North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

The North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee advises Whatcom and Skagit Counties on projects, reviews project proposals, and makes recommendations to the appropriate USDA official for projects to be funded by Title II dollars. The North Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie Resource Advisory Committee was established to carry out the requirements of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Direct questions regarding this meeting to Jon Vanderheyden, Designated Federal Official, USDA Forest Service, Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest, 810 State Route 20, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284 (360-856-5700, Extension 201).

Dated: April 9, 2003.

James Chu,

Acting Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; Comments requested.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Housing Service's intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of the program for Rural Housing Loans.