

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Food and Nutrition Service****Agency Information Collection
Activities: Proposed Collection;
Comment Request—Supplemental
Nutrition Assistance Program: State
Agency Options**

AGENCY: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), 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 the proposed collection. This is a revision of the currently approved burden for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP): State Agency Options information collection.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before October 11, 2016.

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 shall 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 that were 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 may be sent to: Sasha Gersten-Paal, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 812, Alexandria, VA 22302. Comments may also be submitted via fax to the attention of Ms. Gersten-Paal at 703-305-2507 or via email to Sasha.Gersten-Paal@fns.usda.gov. Comments will also be accepted through the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>, and follow the online instructions for submitting comments electronically.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will be a matter of public record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of this information collection should be directed to Ms. Gersten-Paal at 703-305-2486

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: State Agency Options.

OMB Number: 0584-0496.

Form Number: None.

Expiration Date: December 31, 2016.

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

Abstract: The collections covered under OMB Number 0584-0496 address information and burden estimates associated with the following State Agency Options: Establishing and reviewing standard utility allowances and establishing methodology for offsetting cost of producing self-employment income.

This notice revises the State Agency Options information collection for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) to reflect changes in the number of States that have implemented the options herein and the change in burden since the previous revision. Federal regulations implementing SNAP application and certification procedures are contained in parts 271, 272 and 273 of title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The regulations addressing State agency options specified in this collection are contained in 7 CFR 273.

Using FNS-388 and 388A, (approved under OMB# 0584-0594 expiration date 6/30/2019), States send aggregate level data on participation, benefits issued, and other basic program information to FNS using the Food Programs Reporting System (FPRS) via this Web site: <https://fprs.fns.usda.gov>. These FNS approved forms are used as supplemental data only and this collection is not seeking any additional burden hours for the use of these forms.

Since the last renewal, there have been changes in the number of States that implement the options in this collection. This collection revises the number of State agencies that have implemented the options herein as well as the burden associated with the collection.

Establishing and Reviewing Standard Utility Allowances

The regulations at 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(iii) allow State agencies to establish standard utility allowances (SUA) in place of the actual utility costs incurred by a household. State agencies are required to review and adjust SUAs annually to reflect changes in the costs of utilities. State agencies are required to submit the amounts of standards when they are changed and methodologies used to develop and update the standards to FNS for

approval when they are developed or changed.

Estimates of burden: FNS estimates 53 State agencies will submit one request each to adjust the SUAs, for a total annual response of 53 requests at a minimum of 2.5 hours annually (53 State agencies × 1 SUAs request = 53 total annual responses × 2.5 hours = 132.5 hours). The total burden for this provision is estimated to be 132.5 hours per year. This is an increase of 2.5 hours from the previous submission, due to an increase in State agencies implementing this option.

Self-Employment Costs

The regulations at 7 CFR 273.11(b) allow self-employment income to be reduced by the cost of producing such income. The regulations allow the State agencies, with approval from FNS, to establish the methodology for offsetting the costs of producing self-employment income, as long as the procedure does not increase program costs.

Estimates of burden: Based on the information provided in the Twelfth Edition of the SNAP State Options Report, out of the 53 State agencies, 21 State agencies have incorporated a methodology for determining the cost of doing business in self-employment cases. This is an increase from 18 States in the previously approved information collection. It is estimated that these 21 States will submit one request each, totaling 21 annual responses. States will incur a burden of at least 10 working hours gathering and analyzing data, developing the methodology, determining the cost implication and submitting a request to FNS, for a total burden of 210 hours annually (21 State agencies × 1 request = 21 total annual responses × 10 working hours = 210 burden hours). This is an increase of 30 burden hours from the previous submission.

Record Keeping Burden Only

All 53 State agencies are required to keep and maintain one record of the information gathered and submitted to FNS for the SUA and self-employment options. It is estimated that this process will take 7 minutes or .1169 hours per year for each State agency, resulting in a total annual burden of 6 hours (53 State agencies × 1 record = 53 total annual records × .1169 hours = 6 hours). This burden remains unchanged from the previous submission.

The following table illustrates the burden estimates associated with the State agency options included in this collection.

Respondent and reporting activities	Estimated number of respondents	Responses annually per respondent	Total annual responses	Estimated average number of hours per response	Estimated total hours (Col. dxe)
Reporting Burden—Establishing and Reviewing Standard Utility Allowances (SUAs) State, Local or Tribal Agencies	53	1	53	2.50	132.5
Reporting Burden—Establishing Self-Employment Costs Methodology State, Local or Tribal Agencies	21	1	21	10	210
Total Reporting Burden	53	.....	74	.....	342.5
Recordkeeping Burden State, Local or Tribal Agencies	53	1	53	0.1169	6
Total Recordkeeping Burden	53	.....	53	.....	6
Total Burden Summary for Reporting and Recordkeeping	53	.....	127	.....	348.5

Dated: August 2, 2016.

Yvette S. Jackson,

Acting Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Withdrawal of Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement; Sand Lick Fork Watershed Restoration Project; Daniel Boone National Forest, KY

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Withdrawal.

SUMMARY: In the Tuesday, September 11, 2012 *Federal Register* (FR) Vol. 77, No. 176, pages 55796-55798, the Forest Service announced its intention to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act, 42 U.S.C. 4321 (NEPA) to improve water quality and reduce soil loss on the Daniel Boone National Forest. The draft environmental impact statement expected in December 2012 was not completed. The Forest Service withdraws the Notice of Intent to prepare an EIS because public involvement discussions revealed a need for additional collaboration. This withdrawal does not preclude future proposals for Forest Service management within the project area.

DATES: This action is effective upon publication in the *Federal Register*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jonathan Kazmierski at 606-784-6428 or via email at jkazmierski@fs.fed.us. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8

a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

Jonathan Kazmierski,

District Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Red Bluff, California. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act. RAC information can be found at the following Web site: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/pts/specialprojects/racweb>.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 25, 2016, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

All RAC meetings are subject to cancellation. For status of meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Tehama County Farm Bureau, 275 Sale Lane, Red Bluff, California. Written comments may be submitted as described under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. All comments, including

names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at the USDA Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, 825 North Humboldt Avenue, Willows, California. Please call ahead at 530-934-3316 to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Randy Jero, Committee Coordinator by phone at 530-934-3316, or via email at rjero@fs.fed.us. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to discuss current or completed projects and present new projects for review. The meeting is open to the public. The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should request in writing by August 18, 2016, to be scheduled on the agenda. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the committee may file written statements with the committee staff before or after the meeting. Written comments and requests for time for oral comments must be sent to Randy Jero, Committee Coordinator, USDA Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District, 825 North Humboldt Avenue, Willows, California 95988; or by email to rjero@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 530-934-7384.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices or other reasonable accommodation. For