





Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Atlanta GA 30341-3724

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Dominic Mancini Deputy Director Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs Office of Management and Budget Washington, DC

Subject: Request for Emergency Review and Clearance

Dear Mr. Mancini:

Pursuant to Office of Management and Budget (OMB) procedures established at 5 CFR Part 1320, Controlling Paperwork Burdens on the Public, I request that the proposed information collection project, "US-based Migrant Farm Workers Understanding and Use of Measures to Prevent Zika Transmission" be processed in accordance with section 1320.13, Emergency Processing.

I have determined that this information must be collected prior to the expiration of time periods established under Part 1320, and that this information is essential to the CDC's efforts to better describe farm migrant workers' understanding of Zika virus and Zika communication messages and assess their access to and willingness to use public health interventions (such as insect repellents and condoms) to prevent the spread of Zika.

CDC cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures due to the immediate need to characterize the knowledge and attitudes of more than 1.5 million migrant farm workers with regard to Zika, many of whom are from countries with ongoing Zika outbreaks. Therefore, CDC requests a 180-day emergency clearance to conduct a rapid qualitative assessment that will triangulate data from three different methods: focus group discussions, key informant interviews and an observational checklist for assessing use of screens in housing areas when access is granted. Each part of this information collection will be conducted in Spanish, transcribed in English and analyzed using content analysis to derive major themes of concern. The ultimate desired outcome is to inform culturally-appropriate communication messages and public health interventions to protect this working population and to limit the local transmission of Zika within the US.

Please provide an approval/disapproval determination of this request to collect information under an emergency clearance by close of business July 22, 2016.

Respectfully,

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