Non-substantive Change Request

(0535-0213) Sheep and Goat Report

NASS is currently approved to conduct the annual Sheep and Goat Report in January of each year. Based on a recent request from the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), NASS has been asked to add several new questions to the predator loss questions that are currently approved for the January 2020 Sheep and Goat Report. In addition, the previous approval contained several questions that APHIS would now like to pull forward to the current approval.

The current average burden minutes is at 20 minutes per completed survey, which NASS feels will need to be increased to 30 minutes for the completion of the survey. This change will add an estimated 2,800 hours (less than a 2% increase) of new respondent burden to the current approval.

The revised questionnaire is loaded into the ROCIS system. The new or altered questions are in a red font to make them easier to see. The questions that are being pulled forward from the previous approval are in a green font. The fonts will be changed to black before the questionnaire is sent out to the respondents.