Non-substantive Change Request

(0535-0213) Hawaii Crop or Livestock Loss Survey

NASS is currently approved to conduct the Crop and Livestock Loss Survey when funded. The year 2018 saw multiple disaster events in Hawaii. Disasters ranged from volcano eruption over the east side of the Big Island to several flooding rains across the Big Island, Maui, Oahu, and Kauai. The Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA) has entered into a cooperative agreement with NASS to conduct a Crop or Livestock Loss Survey. The survey is based on the approved Crop and Livestock Loss survey, but there are some changes needed to satisfy the needs of the HDOA. Changes include:

- Language indicating the operator report loss for natural disasters (including volcanic) and weather conditions;
- Acreage/square foot damage for specific crops of: floriculture, macadamia nuts, papaya, taro, vegetables, and other;
- Acreage/square foot replanted for floriculture, macadamia nuts, papaya, taro, vegetables, and other;

The average burden minutes for the Hawaii Crop or Livestock Loss survey is estimated to be the same as already approved for the Crop and Livestock Loss Survey, 10 minutes per completed survey. NASS is approved to contact up to 5,000 respondents per year for this type of survey. NASS estimates the sample size for the four islands to be approximately 1,000. Data collection will include one mailing of the cover letter and questionnaire with phone follow-up of the non-respondents. This change will use an estimated 280 hours of the 700 hours of respondent burden currently approved.

The revised questionnaire is loaded into the ROCIS system.