Non-Substantive Change Request

OMB Control Number: 0535-0000 – All Information Collections

Subject: Confidentiality Pledge Update

The National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) requests approval for non-substantive change to NASS's Confidentiality Pledge. In the summer of 2025, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requested that NASS update its confidentiality pledge. This change to NASS Confidentiality Pledge would affect all surveys conducted under NASS's 34 active Information Collections (ICs), listed in Table 1 below. Included below is the abbreviated supporting statement that describes the needed changes to the Confidentiality Pledge. The revised Confidentiality Pledge was approved by NASS, USDA's Office of General Counsel (OGC) and Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO).

Table 1: NASS's Active Information Collections

OMB No.	Information Collection Name
0535-0001	Cold Storage
0535-0002	Field Crops Production
0535-0003	Agricultural Prices
0535-0004	Egg, Chicken, and Turkey Surveys
0535-0005	Livestock Slaughter
0535-0007	Stocks Reports
0535-0020	Milk and Milk Products
0535-0037	Vegetable Surveys
0535-0039	Fruit, Nuts, and Specialty Crops
0535-0088	Objective Yield Surveys
0535-0093	Commercial Floriculture Survey
0535-0140	List Sampling Frame Surveys
0535-0150	Aquaculture Survey
0535-0153	Honey and Honey Bee Surveys
0535-0213	Agricultural Surveys Program
0535-0218	Agricultural Resource Management Phase 1 & 2 and Chemical Use Surveys
0535-0220	Cotton Ginnings
0535-0236	Census of Horticultural Specialties
0535-0240	Tenure, Ownership, and Transition of Agricultural Land (TOTAL)
0535-0245	Conservation Effects Assessment Project
0535-0248	Generic Clearance of Survey Improvement Projects
0535-0249	Organic Survey
0535-0254	Current Agricultural Industrial Reports (CAIR)
0535-0258	Cost of Pollination Survey

OMB No.	Information Collection Name
0535-0259	Local Food Marketing Practices Survey
0535-0261	Fast Track Generic Clearance for Qualitative Feedback on Customer Satisfaction Surveys
0535-0262	Water Use Survey
0535-0264	Quick Response for Cooperator funded Surveys Generic Clearance
0535-0266	Custom Work Surveys
0535-0270	Hemp Production and Disposition Inquiry
0535-0273	Cooperator Funded Chemical Use Surveys
0535-0274	NASS Data Security Requirements for Accessing Confidential Data
0535-0275	Agricultural Resource Management Phase 3 Economic Surveys
3145-0271	Standard Application Process Portal

Current Language:

“Your responses will be kept confidential and any person who willfully discloses ANY identifiable information about you or your operation is subject to a jail term, a fine, or both.”

Proposed Revision:

“Your responses will be kept confidential and any person who willfully discloses ANY identifiable information about you or your operation without your consent is subject to a jail term, a fine, or both.”

This change will be applied to all active NASS Information Collections and reflected in the 2026 NASS CIPSEA Report, which is published at:
https://www.nass.usda.gov/About_NASS/Confidentiality_Pledge/