

summary of a proposed information collection. The proposed collection is an extension of collection currently approved under OMB No. 0584-0083.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by May 31, 1996, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments and requests for copies of this information collection to Joseph H. Pinto, Chief, State Administration Branch, Food Stamp Program, Food and Consumer Service, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Alexandria, VA 22302. Copies of the estimate of the information collection can be obtained by contacting Mr. Pinto

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 will 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 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.

All comments will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Joseph H. Pinto, telephone number (703) 305-2383.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Operating Guidelines, Forms and Waivers.

*OMB Number:* 0584-0083.

*Expiration Date:* July, 1996.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Abstract:* In accordance with section 11(e) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, the State agencies are required to submit a Plan of Operation specifying the manner in which the Food Stamp Program will be conducted. The State plan of operations, in accordance with current rules at 7 CFR 272.2, consists of a Federal/State Agreement, annual budget and activity statements, and specific attachments (such as plans if the State elects to conduct program information activities or provide nutrition educational services). State Plans of Operation are a one-time effort with updates that are provided as necessary.

Under section 16 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, the Secretary is authorized to pay each State agency an amount equal to 50 percent of all administrative costs involved in each State agency's operation of the Food Stamp Program. Under corresponding Food Stamp Program regulations at 7 CFR 272.2, the State agencies must submit annually to FCS for approval, a Budget Projection Statement (Form FCS-366A), which projects the total costs for major areas of Food Stamp Program operations, and a Program Activity Statement (Form FCS-366B), which provides a summary of Food Stamp Program operations during the preceding fiscal year. The reports are required to substantiate the costs the State agency expects to incur during the next fiscal year. Form 366A is submitted annually by August 15 and Form FCS 366B must be submitted no later than 45 days after the end of each State agency's fiscal year.

Under section 11(o) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, each State agency was required to develop a plan, no later than October 1, 1987, for implementing an automated data processing (ADP) and information retrieval system to administer the Food Stamp Program. Corresponding Food Stamp Program regulations at 7 CFR 277.18 require that a written plan of action, called an Advance Planning Document (APD), be prepared to acquire proposed ADP services, systems or equipment. The frequency of the APD submissions is at the discretion of the State agencies.

Under section 7(i) of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, the Secretary of Agriculture is authorized to permit State agencies to implement on-line electronic benefit transfer (EBT) systems. The Secretary is authorized to establish standards for the required testing prior to implementation of any EBT system and analysis of the results of implementation in a limited pilot project area before expansion of the system. Any State requesting funding for an EBT system must submit an APD.

*Respondents:* State agencies that administer the Food Stamp Program.

*Number of Respondents:* 53.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:*

Plan of Operation Updates: 53 States agencies once a year.

Form FCS-366A: 53 State agencies once a year.

Form FCS-366B: 53 State agencies once a year.

Advance Planning Documents: 25 State agencies once a year.

Advance Planning Documents for EBT Systems: 35 State Agencies once a year.

EBT Reporting: 9 State agencies reporting four times a year.

*Estimate of Burden:*

Plan of Operation Updates: The State agencies submit Plan updates at an estimate of 10 hours per respondent, or 530 total hours.

Form FCS-366A: The State agencies submit Form 366A at an estimate of 13 hours per respondent, or 689 total hours.

Form FCS-366B: The total burden for the collection of information for Form FCS-366B and is 1,526. Forty-two State agencies submit Form FCS-366B report automatically at an estimate of 18 hours per respondent, or 756 total hours. Eleven State agencies submit Form FCS-366B manually at an estimate of 70 hours per respondent or 770 total hours.

Advance Planning Documents: Approximately 25 State agencies submit an ADP each year at an estimate of 15 hours per respondent or 375 total hours.

Advance Planning Documents for EBT Systems: Approximately 35 State agencies submit an ADP for EBT at an estimate of 45 hours per respondent, or 1,575 total hours.

EBT Reporting: Approximately 9 State agencies with operational EBT systems provide additional information about their EBT systems. The State agencies submit a report approximately 4 times a year at an estimate of one hour per response, or 36 total hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents.* The revised annual reporting and recordkeeping burden for OMB No. 0584-9983 is estimated to be 4,731. This estimate is a slight reduction from the currently approved burden of 4,799.

Dates: March 26, 1996.

William E. Ludwig,  
Administrator.

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## Forest Service

### Yakima Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Eastern Washington Cascades PIEC Advisory Committee will meet on May 9, 1996 in the Wenatchee National Forest Supervisor's Office, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, Washington. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 4 p.m. This meeting will include discussion of Forest Health and advisory committee process. All Eastern Washington Cascades Province

Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are welcome to attend.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct questions regarding this meeting to Paul Hart, Designated Federal Official, USDA, Wenatchee National Forest, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, Washington 98801-5933, 509-662-4335.

Dated: March 13, 1996.

Paul Hart,  
Designated Federal Official, Wenatchee National Forest.

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### **Yakima Provincial Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC), Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Yakima PIEC Advisory Committee will meet on April 15, 1996 at the Cle Elum Ranger District Office, 803 W. 2nd Street, Cle Elum, Washington. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and continue until 4:00 p.m. This meeting will conclude discussion of the ten key issues addressed by the Snoqualmie Pass Adaptive Management Area Environmental Impact Statement. If time allows, further discussion of management of dry eastside forest ecosystem will occur. All Yakima Province Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are welcome to attend.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct questions regarding this meeting to Paul Hart, Designated Federal Official, USDA, Wenatchee National Forest, 215 Melody Lane, Wenatchee, Washington 98801-5933, 509-662-4335.

Dated: March 11, 1996.

Paul Hart,  
Designated Federal Official, Wenatchee National Forest.

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### **Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration**

#### **Opportunity for Designation in the Mid-Iowa (IA) Area and the State of Oregon**

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act), provides that official agency

designations will end not later than triennially and may be renewed. The designations of Mid-Iowa Grain Inspection, Inc. (Mid-Iowa), and the Oregon Department of Agriculture (Oregon) will end September 30, 1996, according to the Act, and GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the Mid-Iowa and Oregon areas to submit an application for designation.

**DATES:** Applications must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before May 1, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications must be submitted to Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, GIPSA, USDA, Room 1647 South Building, P.O. Box 96454, Washington, DC 20090-6454. Telecopier (FAX) users may send applications to the automatic telecopier machine at 202-690-2755, attention: Janet M. Hart. If an application is submitted by telecopier, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications will be made available for public inspection at this address located at 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., during regular business hours.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet M. Hart, telephone 202-720-8525.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

Section 7(f)(1) of the Act authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services. GIPSA designated Mid-Iowa, main office located in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and Oregon, main office located in Pendleton, Oregon, to provide official inspection services under the Act on October 1, 1993.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides that designations of official agencies shall end not later than triennially and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in Section 7(f) of the Act. The designations of Mid-Iowa and Oregon end on September 30, 1996.

The geographic area presently assigned to Mid-Iowa, in the State of Iowa, pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the Act, which may be assigned to the applicant selected for designation is as follows:

Bounded on the North by the northern Winneshiek and Allamakee County lines;

Bounded on the East by the eastern Allamakee County line; the eastern and southern Clayton County lines; the eastern Buchanan County line; the northern and eastern Jones County lines; the eastern Cedar County line south to State Route 130;

Bounded on the South by State Route 130 west to State Route 38; State Route 38 south to Interstate 80; Interstate 80 west to U.S. Route 63; and

Bounded on the West by U.S. Route 63 north to State Route 8; State Route 8 east to State Route 21; State Route 21 north to D38; D38 east to State Route 297; State Route 297 north to V49; V49 north to Bremer County; the southern Bremer County line; the western Fayette and Winneshiek County lines.

The geographic area presently assigned to the State of Oregon pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the Act is the entire State of Oregon, except those export port locations within the State which are serviced by GIPSA.

Interested persons, including Mid-Iowa and Oregon, are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of the Act and section 800.196(d) of the regulations issued thereunder. Designation in the specified geographic areas is for the period beginning October 1, 1996, and ending September 30, 1999. Persons wishing to apply for designation should contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information.

Applications and other available information will be considered in determining which applicant will be designated.

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*)

Dated: March 20, 1996

Neil E. Porter

Director, Compliance Division.

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **Foreign-Trade Zones Board**

[Docket 24-96]

#### **Foreign-Trade Zone 126—Reno, Nevada Area; Application for Expansion**

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) by the Nevada Development