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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Middle Deep Red Run Watershed, Tillman, Kiowa, and Comanche Counties, Oklahoma

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, DOA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969: the Council on Environmental Quality Guidelines (40 CFR Part 1500); and the Natural Resources Conservation Service Guidelines (7 CFR Part 650); the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is being prepared for Middle Deep Red Run Watershed, Tillman, Kiowa, and Comanche Counties, Oklahoma.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ronnie L. Clark, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 100 USDA, Suite 203, Stillwater, Oklahoma, 74074-2655, telephone: 405-742-1204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that the project may cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Ronnie L. Clark, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement is needed for this project.

The project concerns a plan for flood prevention and fish and wildlife. Alternatives under consideration to reach these objectives include systems for conservation land treatment and earth dams.

A draft environmental impact statement will be prepared and

circulated for review by agencies and the public. The Natural Resources Conservation Service invites participation and consultation of agencies and individuals that have special expertise, legal jurisdiction, or interest in the preparation of the draft environmental impact statement. Meetings will be held in Tillman County to evaluate the proposed action. Further information on the proposed action may be obtained from Ronnie L. Clark, State Conservationist, at the above address or telephone number.

(This activity is listed in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under No. 10.904—Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention—and is subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.)

Dated: January 9, 1997.

Steven P. Elsener,

Biologist.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of the Census

Survey of Income and Program Participation—Wave 5 of the 1996 Panel; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Michael McMahon, c/o U.S. Census Bureau, DSD—Room 3319—

3, Washington DC 20233-8400, or telephone 301/457-3819.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) is a household-based survey designed as a continuous series of national panels, each lasting four years. Respondents are interviewed once every four months, in monthly rotations. Approximately 37,000 households are in the current panel.

The SIPP represents a source of information for a wide variety of topics and allows information for separate topics to be integrated to form a single, unified data base so that the interaction between tax, transfer, and other government and private policies can be examined. Government domestic policy formulators depend heavily upon SIPP information concerning the distribution of income received directly as money or indirectly as in-kind benefits, and the effect of tax and transfer programs on this distribution. They also need improved and expanded data on the income and general economic and financial situation of the U.S. population. The SIPP has provided these kinds of data on a continuing basis since 1983, permitting levels of economic well-being and changes in these levels to be measured over time.

The survey is molded around a central "core" of labor force and income questions that will remain fixed throughout the life of a panel. The core is supplemented with questions designed to answer specific needs such as obtaining information about the terms of child support agreements and whether they are being fulfilled by the absent parent, examining the program participation status of persons with specific health and disability statuses; and obtaining detailed information needed to understand the current status of the employment-based health care system and changes that have occurred. These supplemental questions are included with the core and are referred to as "topical modules."

The topical modules for the 1996 Panel Wave 5 are the following: (1) School Enrollment and Financing; (2) Child Support Agreements; (3) Support for Nonhousehold Members; (4) Functional Limitations and Disability-Adults; (5) Functional Limitations and Disability-Children and (6) Employer

Provided Health Care. Wave 5 interviews will be conducted from August through November 1997.

II. Method of Collection

The SIPP is designed as a continuing series of national panels of interviewed households that are introduced every 4 years, with each panel having a duration of about 4 years in the survey. All household members 15 years old or older are interviewed using regular proxy-respondent rules. They are interviewed a total of 12 times (12 waves) at 4-month intervals, making the SIPP a longitudinal survey. Sample persons (all household members present at the time of the first interview) who move within the country and reasonably close to a SIPP Primary Sampling Unit (PSU) will be followed and interviewed at their new address. Persons 15 years old or older who enter the household after Wave 1 will be interviewed; however, if these persons move, they are not followed unless they happen to move along with a Wave 1 sample person.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0607-0813.

Form Number: SIPP/CAPI Automated Instrument.

Type of Review: Regular.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 77,700.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes per person

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 117,800.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$27,690,000.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Title 13, United States Code, Section 182.

IV. Request for Comments

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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 13, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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Economic Development Administration

Area Designations and Overall Economic Development (Formerly Simplification and Streamlining of Regulations of the Economic Development Administration)

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 24, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Wendy Tucker, Economic Development Administration, Room 7814B, Washington, DC 20230, and (202) 482-5353.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection is needed to ascertain if an area has a planning process in place and has thoroughly thought out what type of economic development needs to take place in the area to alleviate unemployment, underemployment, and to increase incomes. The information is required

under the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965 (P.L. 89-136), as amended.

II. Method of Collection

State, local, or Tribal governments and not-for-profit organizations respond to guidelines by preparing proposals to determine eligibility for area designations, approval of boundary changes for designated redevelopment areas, and approval of overall economic development programs.

III. Data

OMB Number(s): 0610-0093.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Burden: 72,000 hours.

Affected Public: State, local or Tribal governments and not-for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 700.

Estimated Time per Response: 240 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 176,400.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$3,360,000.

IV. Request for Comments

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 shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (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 respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 14, 1997.

Linda Engelmeier,

Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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