

the intended collection action and offer them an opportunity for a hearing on the debt, including the right to copy documentation relating to the debt.

5. *Legal authorities:* This matching program will be conducted under the following authorities:

(a) The Debt Collection Act of 1982 (5 U.S.C. 5514), which gives authority to Federal agencies to offset the salaries of Federal and USPS employees who are delinquent on debts owed to the Federal government.

(b) The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996 (5 U.S.C. 5514(a)) which provides for salary offset and (31 U.S.C. 3716(c)) which mandates centralized administrative offset through the Treasury Offset Program.

(c) The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (7 U.S.C. 2022(b)(1)) which added a new category of claims, State agency error claims, to those eligible for offset.

(d) Office of Personnel Management (OPM) regulations, 5 CFR part 550, subpart K (Collection by Offset from Indebted Government Employees), §§ 550.1101–1108, which set the standards for Federal agency rules implementing the Debt Collection Act.

(e) USDA regulations at 7 CFR part 3, subpart C, which implement 5 U.S.C. 5514 and OPM regulations, and which authorize USDA agencies to issue regulations governing debt collection by salary offset (7 CFR 3.68).

(f) USDA regulations at 7 CFR 273.18 (g)(6) which set the procedures for the operation of the Federal salary offset program for the FSP.

(g) Section 13941 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (Pub. L. 103–66), which amended Sections 11(e)(8) and 13 of the Food Stamp Act of 1977, 7 U.S.C. 2020(e)(8), 2022, to authorize the Federal salary offset program for the FSP.

6. *Categories of individuals involved:* Two groups of individuals will be involved with this matching program. One group is USPS employees. The other group is individuals who have participated in the Food Stamp Program but are no longer participating, and who owe delinquent debts for overissued food stamp benefits for which they are not making repayments.

7. *Record systems used:* (a) USPS will use records from its Privacy Act system of records "Finance Records—Payroll System, USPS 050.020," containing payroll records for approximately 700,000 current employees. Disclosure will be made pursuant to routine use Number 24 of USPS 050.020, (57 FR 57515, dated December 4, 1992).

(b) USDA will use records from its Privacy Act system of records "Claims

Against Food Stamp Recipients—USDA/FNS—3," containing approximately 350,000 records. Disclosure will be made pursuant to routine use Number 4 of record system USDA/FNS—3, (58 FR 48633, dated September 17, 1993).

8. *Agency contact:* Inquiries about this matching program should be directed to James I. Porter, Assistant Branch Chief, State Administration Branch, Program Accountability Division, Food Stamp Program, FNS, USDA, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 905, Alexandria, Virginia 22302, telephone (703) 305–2385.

Dated: January 6, 1998.

Dan Glickman,

Secretary of Agriculture.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Notice of Request for Reinstatement and Revision of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Farm Service Agency's (FSA) intention to request a reinstatement and revision of a currently approved information collection in support of the Dairy Indemnity Payment Program (DIPP) contingent upon the appropriation of funds.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before March 23, 1998 to be assured consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Raellen Erickson, Agricultural Program Specialist, Price Support Division, USDA, FSA, STOP 0512, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20250–0512; telephone (202) 720–7320; e-mail rerrickso@wdc.fsa.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice announces FSA's intention to request a reinstatement and revision of the currently approved information collection in support of the DIPP. The Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1998 (Pub. L. 105–86, 111 Stat. 2079) appropriated funds and authorized DIPP to be carried out until all available funds are expended.

Title: 7 CFR Part 760, Dairy Indemnity Payment Program.

OMB Control Number: 0560–0116.

Expiration Date: June 30, 1997.

Type of Request: Reinstatement and revision of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: This information is needed to administer the DIPP. The information will be gathered from milk producers and milk handlers to determine the amount of indemnity payment a dairy producer or manufacturer is eligible to receive. Producers are required to meet certain eligibility requirements to ensure the integrity of the program so that only eligible producers receive indemnity payments. The number of times producers or manufacturers have been removed from the market has declined in recent years. Accordingly, fewer requests for assistance have been received. Therefore, the currently approved information collection is revised to reduce the number of responses per request and the annual burden per respondent to half of the currently approved estimate. The emergency clearance of the Information Collection Package for Indemnity Payment Programs was approved by the Office of Management and Budget on November 20, 1997, and extended the expiration date to April 30, 1998.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 17 minutes per response.

Respondents: Dairy farms and small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 80.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 6.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 140 hours.

Proposed topics for comments include: (a) Whether the 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 burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; or (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 should be sent to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503 and to Raellen Erickson, Agricultural Program Specialist, USDA-Farm Service Agency-

Price Support Division, STOP 0512, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-0512; telephone (202) 720-7320; e-mail rerrickso@wdc.fsa.usda.gov. Copies of the information collection may be obtained from Raellen Erickson at the above address.

OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information contained in these proposed regulations between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment to OMB is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

Signed at Washington, DC, on January 8, 1998.

Keith Kelly,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Newspapers Used for Publication of Legal Notice Appealable Decisions for Pacific Southwest Region, California

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice lists the newspapers that will be used by all ranger districts, forests, and the Regional Office of the Pacific Southwest Region to publish legal notice of all decisions subject to appeal under 36 CFR parts 215 and 217. The intended effect of this action is to inform interested members of the public which newspapers will be used to publish legal notices of decisions, thereby allowing them to receive constructive notice of a decision, to provide clear evidence of timely notice, and to achieve consistency in administering the appeals process.

DATES: Publication of legal notices in the listed newspapers will begin with decisions subject to appeal that are made on or after January 1, 1998. The list of newspapers will remain in effect until January 1999 when another notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sue Danner, Regional Appeals Coordinator, Pacific Southwest Region, 630 Sansome Street, San Francisco, CA 94111, phone: (415) 705-2553.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 4, 1993, 36 CFR parts 215 and 217 were published requiring publication of legal notice of decisions subject to appeal. Sections 215.5 and 217.5 require notice published in the **Federal Register** advising the public of the principal newspapers to be utilized for publishing legal notices. This newspaper publication of notices of decisions is in addition to direct notice to those who have requested notice in writing and to those known to be interested and affected by a specific decision.

The legal notice is to identify the decision by title and subject matter; the date of the decision; the name and title of the official making the decision; and how to obtain copies of the decision. In addition, the notice is to state the date the appeal period begins is the day following publication of the notice.

In addition to the principal newspaper listed for each unit, some Forest Supervisors and District Rangers have listed newspapers providing additional notice of their decisions. The timeframe for appeal shall be based on the date of publication of the notice in the first (principal) newspaper listed for each unit.

The newspapers to be used are as follows:

Pacific Southwest Regional Office

Pacific Southwest Regional Forester decisions:
Sacramento Bee, Sacramento, California

Angeles National Forest

Angeles Forest Supervisor decisions:
Los Angeles Times, Los Angeles, California

Los Angeles River District Ranger decisions:

Daily News, Los Angeles, California
Newspaper providing additional notice of Los Angeles River District decisions:
Pasadena Star News, Pasadena, California

Foothill Leader, Glendale, California
San Gabriel River District Ranger decisions:
Inland Valley Bulletin, Los Angeles, California

Newspaper providing additional notice of San Gabriel River District decisions:

San Gabriel Valley Tribune, eastern San Gabriel Valley, California
Santa Clara & Mojave Rivers District Ranger decisions:

Daily News, Los Angeles, California
Newspaper providing additional notice of Santa Clara & Mojave Rivers District decisions:

Antelope Valley Press, Palmdale, California
Mountaineer Progress, Wrightwood, California

Cleveland National Forest

Cleveland Forest Supervisor decisions:
San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego, California

Descanso District Ranger decisions:
San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego, California

Palomar District Ranger decisions:
San Diego Union-Tribune, San Diego, California

Newspaper providing additional notice of Palomar decisions:
Riverside Press-Enterprise, Riverside, California

Trabuco District Ranger decisions:
Orange County Register, Santa Ana, California

Newspaper providing additional notice of Trabuco decisions:
Riverside Press-Enterprise, Riverside, California

Eldorado National Forest

Eldorado Forest Supervisor decisions:
Mountain Democrat, Placerville, California

Amador District Ranger decisions:
Mountain Democrat, Placerville, California

Georgetown District Ranger decisions:
Mountain Democrat, Placerville, California

Pacific District Ranger decisions:
Mountain Democrat, Placerville, California

Placerville District Ranger decisions:
Mountain Democrat, Placerville, California

Inyo National Forest

Inyo Forest Supervisor decisions:
Inyo Register, Bishop, California

Mammoth District Ranger decisions:
Inyo Register, Bishop, California

Mono Lake District Ranger decisions:
Inyo Register, Bishop, California
Mount Whitney District Ranger decisions:

Inyo Register, Bishop, California
White Mountain District Ranger decisions:
Inyo Register, Bishop, California

Klamath National Forest

Klamath Forest Supervisor decisions:
Siskiyou Daily News, Yreka, California

Happy Camp District Ranger decisions:
Siskiyou Daily News, Yreka, California

Goosenest District Ranger decisions:
Siskiyou Daily News, Yreka, California

Oak Knoll District Ranger decisions: