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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Rural Utilities Service

Farm Service Agency

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCIES: Rural Housing Service, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Rural Utilities Service, Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comments requested.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the subject Agencies' intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of the program for 7 CFR, part 1951, subpart F, "Analyzing Credit Needs and Graduation of Borrowers."

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by June 12, 2000, to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Phillip Elder, Senior Loan Officer, USDA, FSA, Farm Loan Programs, Loan Servicing Division, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20250-0523, telephone (202) 690-4012. Electronic mail: phillip_elder@wdc.fsa.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 7 CFR, Part 1951, Subpart F, "Analyzing Credit Needs and Graduation of Borrowers."

OMB Number: 0575-0093.

Expiration Date of Approval: June 30, 2000.

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

Abstract: Section 333 of the Consolidated Farm and Rural

Development Act (Con Act) (7 U.S.C. 1983) and § 502 of the Housing Act of 1949 (42 U.S.C. 1472) require the Agencies to "graduate" their direct loan borrowers to other credit when they are able to do so. Graduation is required because Government loans are not meant to be extended beyond a borrower's need for subsidized rates or government credit. The borrower must refinance their direct Government loan when other credit becomes available at reasonable rates and terms. If other credit is not available the Agency will continue to review the borrower for possible graduation at periodic intervals. Also, § 333A(f) of the Con Act (7 U.S.C. 1983a (f)) requires the Agency to provide a financial prospectus to lenders who may be interested in providing credit to Farm Service Agency direct farm loan borrowers with an FSA guarantee. The information collected to carry out these statutory mandates is financial data such as amount of income, farm operating expenses, asset values, and liabilities. This information collection is submitted by the Agencies' borrowers to Agency offices and is used in the Agencies' efforts to graduate direct borrowers to private credit.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting for this collection of information is estimated to average 3 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or households, businesses or other for profit and farms.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 17,031.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.47.

Estimated Number of Responses: 25,047.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 75,361 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division at (202) 692-0045.

Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the subject Agencies, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Agencies' 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. Comments may be sent to Barbara Williams, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, 1400 Independence Ave. SW, Washington, DC 20250. 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.

Dated: April 3, 2000.

Jill Long Thompson,

Undersecretary for Rural Development.

August Schumacher, Jr.,

Undersecretary for Farm And Foreign Agricultural Services.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Correction; Information Collection; FS-1800-3, Youth Conservation Corps Employment

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice corrects the estimate of burden for the second part of the request for reinstatement of the information collection, Youth Conservation Corps Employment. FS-1800-3 Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Medical History, was the second part of this information collection, which was published in the **Federal Register** on February 10, 2000 (65 FR 6579), with a request for comment deadline of April 10, 2000. After further discussion with the Department of Interior, National Park Service, and Fish and Wildlife Service, the Forest Service determined that the number of respondents who will have to complete the Medical History form will be less than the number stated in the published notice. Only youths who will be hired will be required to complete FS-1800-

3. Youths who apply for a position with the Youth Conservation Corps, but who will not be hired will not have to complete this Medical History form.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ransom Hughes, Youth Conservation Corps, Senior, Youth and Volunteer Programs, at (703) 605-4854.

Description of Information Collection

Title: FS-1800-3 Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) Medical History.

OMB Number: 0596-0084.

Expiration Date of Approval: October 31, 1997.

Estimate of Annual Burden:

14 minutes.

Type of Respondents: Youth 15 to 18 years of age.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 2,000 (corrected from 18,000).

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 140 hours (corrected from 4,200 hours).

Dated: April 5, 2000.

Clyde Thompson,

Deputy Chief for Business Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Utah Northern Goshawk Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Decision on the Utah Northern Goshawk Project Environmental Assessment.

SUMMARY: In the November 9, 1999, *Federal Register* (Vol. 64, No. 216, pages 61062-61063), notice was given by the Intermountain Region of the Forest Service that the Environmental Assessment for the Utah Northern Goshawk project was available for review and comment for 60 days.

On March 14, 2000, Regional Forester Jack A. Blackwell made his decision to implement Alternative F as the management direction to maintain and restore habitat for the northern goshawk on the National Forests in Utah. This decision amends the goals, objectives, standards, guidelines and monitoring requirements established in the current land and resource management plans (forest plans) for the Ashley, Dixie, Fishlake, Manti-LaSal, Uinta, and Wasatch-Cache National Forests. The amendments will be in effect until the forest plans are revised.

The decision may be appealed in accordance with the provisions of 36

CFR 217, as identified in the Decision Notice. The appeal period ends on May 22, 2000. Copies of the Decision Notice are available for calling 801/615-5897 or from the Utah Northern Goshawk Project's website at: www.fs.fed.us/r4/goshawk.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions about the Decision Notice should be directed to Peter W. Karp, Uinta National Forest Supervisor and Team Leader for the Utah Northern Goshawk Project, USDA Forest Service, PO Box 1428, Provo, UT 84601. Phone: 801/342-5100.

Dated: April 3, 2000.

Jack G. Troyer,

Deputy Regional Forester, Intermountain Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[Docket No. 000327082-0082-01]

RIN 0605-XX07

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of amendment of Privacy Act System of Records: Commerce/Patent and Trademark System 1; Commerce—Patent and Trademark System 2; Commerce/Patent and Trademark System 5.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is amending the systems of records listed under Commerce—Patent and Trademark Systems 1: Attorneys and Agents Registered to Practice before the Patent and Trademark Office; Commerce-Patent and Trademark Systems 2: Complaints, Investigations and Disciplinary Proceedings Relating to Registered Patent Attorneys and Agents; and Commerce-Patent and Trademark Systems 5: Non-Registered Persons Rendering Assistance to Patent Applicants. This action has been taken to update the Privacy Act notice and to amend the routine use. We invite public comment on the proposed routine use in this publication.

DATES: Effective Date: The amendments will become effective as proposed without further notice on May 15, 2000 unless comments dictate otherwise.

Comment Date: To be considered, written comments must be submitted on or before May 15, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent via United States Mail delivery to Raymond Chen, Office of the Solicitor, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Box

8, Washington, DC 20231; via facsimile at 703-305-9373. All comments received will be available for public inspection at the Public Search Facilities, Crystal Plaza 3, 2021 South Clark Place, Arlington, VA 22202.

For further information contact:

Raymond Chen, Office of the Solicitor, Box 8, Washington, DC 20231, or by phone at 703-305-9035.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to an executive branch initiative to update the Privacy Act systems of records, the Department of Commerce amends three Privacy Act systems maintained by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) to describe the current practices of the PTO.

In addition to amending the notice of routine uses, other changes are being made to update the notice, including amendments to categories of individuals covered by the system, categories of records in the system, location of records, authority for maintenance of the system, policy and practices for storing records, and the title and business address of the agency official responsible for the records. A more detailed explanation of the changes follows for each system.

The below-referenced Prefatory Statement of General Routine uses is found at 46 FR 63501-63502 (December 31, 1981).

The Department of Commerce finds no probable or potential effect of the proposal on the privacy of individuals. To minimize the risk of unauthorized access to the system of records, the PTO has located paper records in lockable file cabinets or in metal file cabinets in secured rooms or secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access. Electronic files are stored in secured premises with access limited to those whose official duties require access.

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The system location disclosure is updated to reflect correct addresses and to reflect that records in this system may be contained in the Office of Enrollment and Discipline (OED), the Office of the Solicitor, and/or the Commissioner's Office. This amendment to the system location reflects current practice and does not constitute a new collection of records. Changes in the PTO enrollment and disciplinary rules, part 10 of 37 CFR, instituted in 1985, moved the functions of enrollment and discipline from the Office of the Solicitor to OED, a separate office. Moreover, under current enrollment and disciplinary rules, persons covered by this system