DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Agricultural Marketing Service
7 CFR Part 946
[Doc. No. AMS–SC–16–0110; SC17–946–1 CR]
Irish Potatoes Grown in Washington; Continuance Referendum
AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.
ACTION: Referendum order.
SUMMARY: This document directs that a referendum be conducted among eligible Washington potato producers to determine whether they favor continuation of the marketing order programs.
DATES: The referendum will be conducted from June 9 through June 23, 2017. Only current producers that were engaged in the production of fresh potatoes in Washington during the period of July 1, 2015, through June 30, 2016, may participate in the referendum.
USDA has determined that continuance referenda are an effective means for determining whether producers favor the continuation of marketing order programs. USDA would consider termination of the order if less than two-thirds of the producers voting in the referendum and producers of less than two-thirds of the volume of Washington potatoes represented in the referendum favor continuation of their program. In evaluating the merits of continuance versus termination, USDA will not exclusively consider the results of the continuance referendum. USDA will also consider all other relevant information regarding operation of the order and relative benefits and disadvantages to producers, handlers, and consumers to determine whether continuing the order would tend to effectuate the declared policy of the Act.
In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the ballot materials used in the referendum herein ordered have been submitted to and approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and have been assigned OMB No. 0581–0178. Vegetable and Specialty Crops. It has been estimated that it will take an average of 20 minutes for each of the approximately 270 Washington potato producers to cast a ballot. Participation is voluntary. Ballots postmarked after June 23, 2017, will not be included in the vote tabulation.
Teresa Hutchinson and Gary D. Olson of the Northwest Marketing Field Office, Specialty Crops Program, AMS, USDA, are hereby designated as the referendum agents of the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct this referendum. The procedure applicable to the referendum shall be the “Procedure for the Conduct of Referenda in Connection With Marketing Orders for Fruits, Vegetables, and Nuts Pursuant to the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as Amended” (7 CFR part 900.400 et seq.).
Ballots will be mailed to all producers of record and may also be obtained from the referendum agents or from their appointees.
List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 946
Marketing agreements, Potatoes, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.
Dated: January 12, 2017.
Elanor Starme, Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Federal Aviation Administration
14 CFR Part 71
[Docket No. FAA–2016–8944; Airspace Docket No. 16–AGL–21]
RIN 2120–AA66
Proposed Modification and Establishment of Air Traffic Service (ATS) Routes; Northcentral United States
AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.
ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM).
SUMMARY: This action proposes to modify one jet route and five VHF Omnidirectional Range (VOR) Federal airways, and establish three Area Navigation (RNAV) T-routes in the northcentral United States. The FAA is proposing this action due to the planned decommissioning of the Brainerd, MN (BRD), VHF Omnidirectional Range/ Tactical Air Navigation (VORTAC) navigation aid (NAVAID), which provides navigation guidance for portions of the ATS routes proposed to be amended by this action. The T-routes proposed to be established by this action would mitigate potential issues to the National Airspace System (NAS) route structure that may be caused by the proposed ATS route amendments. Overall, this action would enhance the safety and efficient management of aircraft within the NAS.
DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 6, 2017.
ADDRESSES: Send comments on this proposal to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Docket Operations, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, Washington, DC 20590; telephone: