to make the Forest Plan consistent with the Project. The USFS Responsible
Official’s decisions will be separate from the decisions that BLM made in
their November 17, 2017 Record of
Decision.

The FEIS and the USFS’s Draft Record of
Decision (ROD) are available for
public review. As required by 36 CFR 218.7(c), the Wallowa-Whitman
National Forest published a Legal
Notice of the opportunity to object in the
newspaper of record, the Baker City
Herald. Eligible individuals and entities
may file objections pursuant to 36 CFR
218 Subparts A and B. The USFS
previously notified the public that,
pursuant to 36CFR 219.59(a), the agency
would waive its administrative review
procedures and adopt the BLM’s protest
procedures for its decisions to issue a
special use authorization and to amend
the Forest Plan (NOA for the Draft EIS,
79 FR 75834). Following further review
of the scope of the decisions that the
USFS will make and the applicable
regulations, the USFS determined it
must instead follow the project-level
predecisional administrative review
process described at 36 CFR 218
Subparts A and B.

Dated: May 9, 2018.
Chris French,
Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest
System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and
Agriculture

Notice of Intent To Revise Currently
Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and
Agriculture, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for
comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Office
of Management and Budget (OMB)
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this
notice announces the National Institute
of Food and Agriculture’s (NIFA)
tention to revise a currently approved
information collection, 0524–0039
entitled, ‘NIFA Application Kit’. NIFA
does not plan to make any language
changes to this information collection.

DATES: Written comments on this notice
must be received by August 6, 2018 to
be assured of consideration. Comments
received after that date will be
considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments
concerning this notice and requests for
copies of the information collection may
be submitted by any of the following
methods: Email: mmartin@nifa.usda.gov;
Fax: 202–720–0857; Mail: Office of
Information Technology (OIT), NIFA,
USDA, STOP 2216, 1400 Independence
Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–
2216.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Robert Martin; Email: mmartin@
nifa.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: NIFA Application Kit.
OMB Number: 0524–0039.
Expiration Date of Current Approval:
October 31, 2018.

Type of Request: Intent to extend a
currently approved information
collection for three years.

Abstract: The National Institute of
Food and Agriculture (NIFA) sponsors
ongoing agricultural research, extension,
and education programs under which
competitive, formula, and special
awards of a high-priority nature are
made. Because competitive applications
are submitted, many of which
necessitate review by peer panelists, it
is particularly important that applicants
provide the information in a
standardized fashion to ensure equitable
treatment for all. Standardization is also
important to applicants to other
programs as it lends itself to a more
efficient process and minimizes
administrative burden. For this reason,
NIFA uses standard forms in the SF–424
Research and Related (R&R) form family
which includes agency-specific forms
for the application process. NIFA issues
Requests for Applications (RFA) that
include the instructions for the
preparation and submission of
applications. These instructions
provide, where appropriate, the
necessary format for information in
order to expedite, to the extent possible,
the application review process. NIFA
requires submission of applications
electronically through Grants.gov.
The forms and narrative information
are mainly used for application
evaluation and administration purposes.
While some of the information is used
to respond to inquiries from Congress
and other government agencies, the
forms are not designed to be statistical
surveys.

Also included in this information
collection is one form which only
applies to recipients of a NIFA
fellowship/scholarship. The form is
only used to document pertinent
demographic data on the fellows/
scholars, documentation of the progress
of the fellows/scholars under the
program, and performance outcomes of
the student beneficiaries.

Respondents: Universities, non-profit
institutions, State, local, or Tribal
government, and a limited number of
for-profit institutions and individuals.

Estimated Number of Responses by
Form:
Letter of Intent: 2,739.
Form NIFA–2008 Assurance
Statement(s): 2,000.
Supplemental Information: 5,377.
Appication Type: 2,200.
Proposal Type Form: 2,687.
NIFA–2010 Fellowships/Scholarships
Entry/Exit: 150.

The individual form burden is as
follows (calculated based on a survey of
grant applicants conducted by NIFA):
Letter of Intent: 2 hours.
Form NIFA–2008 Assurance
Statement(s): 30 minutes.
Supplemental Information: 2 hours.
Proposal Type Form: 15 minutes.
NIFA–2010 Fellowships/Scholarships
Entry/Annual Update/Exit: 3 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on
Respondents: The annual total burden
on the public for all forms is estimated
to be 18,354 hours.

Frequency of Respondents: Annually.

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 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.

Comments should be sent to the
address stated in the preamble.

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

Done in Washington, DC, this 30th day of
May 2018.

Thomas G. Shanower,
Acting Director, National Institute of Food
and Agriculture.

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