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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Federal Seed Act Program.
OMB Number: 0581–0026.
Expiration Date of Approval: December 31, 2026.

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

Abstract: This information collection and these recordkeeping requirements are necessary to conduct the Federal Seed Act (FSA) (7 U.S.C. 1551 *et seq.*) program with respect to certain testing, labeling, and recordkeeping requirements for agricultural and vegetable seeds in interstate commerce. Regulations under the FSA are contained in 7 CFR part 201.

The FSA, title II, is a truth-in-labeling law that regulates agricultural and vegetable planting seed in interstate commerce. Seed subject to the FSA must be labeled with certain quality information and title II requires that information to be truthful. The FSA prohibits the interstate shipment of falsely advertised seed and seed containing noxious-weed seeds that are prohibited from sale in the State into which the seed is being shipped.

No unique forms are required for this information collection. The FSA requires seed in interstate commerce to be tested and labeled. Once seed enters a State, it must comply with the testing and labeling requirements of that State's seed law. The testing and labeling required by FSA nearly always satisfies the State's testing and labeling requirements. The receiving sales,

cleaning, testing, and labeling records required by FSA are also records that the shipper would normally keep in good business practice.

The information in this collection is the minimum information necessary to effectively carry out the enforcement of FSA. With the exception of the requirements for entering a new variety into a State seed certification program (set forth separately below), the information collection is entirely recordkeeping rather than reporting.

While the number of applicants has slightly increased, the number of requests has decreased due to expanded program outreach and better understanding of the FSA requirements by shippers. This has resulted in a decrease in burden hours over the previous submission.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 2.68 hours per response.

Respondents: Interstate shippers and labelers of seed.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 474.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 1241.88.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 2.62.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 3,328 hours.

Eligibility Requirements for Certification of New Varieties and Recordkeeping

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information (eligibility for certification of new varieties) is estimated to average 2.42 hours per response.

Respondents: Entities seeking to enter new varieties into State seed certification programs.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 27.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 137.16.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 5.08.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 332 hours.

Comments are invited on: (1) 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; (2) 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; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information

on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

AMS is committed to complying with the E-Government Act of 2002 to promote the use of the internet and other information technologies, to provide increased opportunities for citizen access to Government information and services, and for other purposes.

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

Melissa Bailey,

Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Tribal Advisory Committee; Notice of Solicitation for Nominations

AGENCY: United States Department of Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice to solicit nominations for membership.

SUMMARY: Through this notice, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is soliciting nominations for eight (8) vacancies on the USDA Tribal Advisory Committee (“the Committee”).

DATES: Nominations must be submitted via email December 8, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Please submit nominations and resumes for recognition and appointment by the Chair or Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture, the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry (official Appointors) through Josiah Griffin, Designated Federal Officer, at Tribal.Relations@usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquiries may be sent to, Josiah Griffin, Designated Federal Officer, USDA, Office of Tribal Relations, at Tribal.Relations@usda.gov or by phone at (202) 205–2249.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Committee consists of eleven (11) members serving staggered terms. The balance of these appointments by the Chair and Ranking Members of the House Committee on Agriculture, the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, and the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will be managed according to the

Committee's statutory authority (7 U.S. Code § 6921(b)(3)(a)). Members may only serve on one USDA advisory committee at a time. Pursuant to the Committee's statutory authorization, only Indian tribes as defined by 25 U.S.C. 5304, Tribal organizations as defined by 25 U.S.C. 5304, or national or regional organizations with expertise in issues relating to the Committee may nominate candidates for consideration.

Candidates and alternates selected for potential appointments will undergo a USDA background check. Complete nomination packages will include a nomination letter signed by a representative authorized to make decisions on behalf of the nominating entity, the nominee's resume, and a USDA Advisory Committee Membership Background Information form completed by the nominee (available online at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-755-advisory-committee-commodity-board-background-information.pdf>). Resumes or curriculum vitae must be limited to five one-sided pages and should include a summary of the following information: current and past organization affiliations; areas of expertise; education; career positions held; any other notable positions held; and geographic locations and regions served. Additional letters of endorsement are optional.

About the Committee: The Tribal Advisory Committee is established pursuant to section 12303 of the Agriculture Improvement Act of 2018 (Pub. L. 115–334) to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on matters relating to Tribal and Indian Affairs. the TAC defines "Indian affairs" similarly to the SCIA jurisdiction (as defined in Section 25 of S. Res. 71, 103rd Congress, 1st Session), which includes but is not limited to all matters pertaining to American Indian, Native Hawaiian, and Alaska Native peoples. The Committee Chairperson and Vice Chairperson shall be elected by the Committee from among its members.

Eligible Nominators: Nominations may only be submitted by signatories authorized to represent an Indian tribe as defined by 25 U.S.C. 5304, a Tribal organization as defined by 25 U.S.C. 5304, or a national or regional organization with expertise in issues relating to the above duties of the Committee. These organizations include but are not limited to intertribal consortia, national or regional tribal serving organizations, land-grant institutions, and credit institutions such as Native Community Development Financial Institutions. Nominees are not

required to represent the nominating entity.

Nomination Packages: Nominating entities must submit a complete nomination package for full consideration. Documents should be typed and must include the below elements. Additional letters of endorsement are optional.

1. Nomination letters. Nomination letters must include a brief summary, no more than two pages, explaining the nominee's qualifications to serve on the Tribal Advisory Committee and addressing the membership composition and criteria described above. The signatory of these letters must be authorized to represent the nominating entity.

2. Resume. A resume providing the nominee's background, experience, and educational qualifications.

3. Background Information Form. A completed Advisory Committee or Research and Promotion Background Information form (AD-755) signed by the nominee available online at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-755.pdf>.

Meeting Frequency: The Committee is required by law to meet at least twice in-person per year and is expected to convene quarterly, with meetings hosted virtually in between in-person meetings. All Committee meetings will be announced in the **Federal Register**.

Appointment Terms and Process: All eligible nominating entities must submit a new nomination package to be considered for appointment. Official Appointors will each have access to this same **Federal Register** nomination process and pool of nominations. Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. 10), notice is hereby given that the Chair and Ranking Member of the House Committee on Agriculture will each appoint two (2) members respectively; the Chair and Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs will each appoint one (1) member respectively; and the Chair and Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will each appoint one (1) member respectively. These members will serve for three (3) years starting their date of appointment.

Membership Balance: USDA encourages nominees reflect the broad slate of what makes American agriculture great including but not limited to farmers/ranchers, food businesses, subsistence foragers, foresters, agriculture educators and land-grant faculty/staff, extension and technical assistance specialists, agriculture financiers (banks and credit institutions), Tribal leaders and Tribal

government officials, and agriculture/forestry law experts.

Equal opportunity practices, in accordance with USDA policies, will be followed in all membership appointments to the Committee.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, age, marital status, family/parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA (not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET center at (202) 720–2600 (voice and TDD) or the State or local Agency that administers the program.

Dated: October 16, 2026.

Cikena Reid,

USDA Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest; Washington; Amendments to the Okanogan and Wenatchee National Forest Land Management Plans

AGENCY: Forest Service, Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of opportunity to object.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, is amending the 1989 Okanogan National Forest Land Management Plan and 1990 Wenatchee National Forest Land Management Plan (forest plans). The Forest Service has prepared a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Planning and Management of Domestic Sheep and Goat Grazing Within the Range of Bighorn Sheep Project and a draft Record of Decision that includes a programmatic plan amendment to both forest plans. The plan amendment would add two standards for domestic sheep and goat grazing activities on the Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest to both