DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Notice of Request for Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the Foreign Agricultural Service's (FAS) to request an extension from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a currently approved information collection in support of grants and agreements supporting research, extension, and/or teaching, *i.e.,* those issued pursuant to authorities enumerated in Chapter 64 of Title 7 of the U.S. Code.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by January 26, 2027 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, identified by OMB Control Number 0551–0057, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov.* This portal enables respondents to enter short comments or attach a file containing lengthier comments.
- *Email: Jim.Suits@usda.gov.* Include OMB Control Number 0551–0057 in the subject line of the message.
- *Mail, Courier, or Hand Delivery:* Jim Suits, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Foreign Agricultural Service, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250–1030.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency names and OMB Control Number for this notice. All comments received will be posted without change to *http://www.regulations.gov,* including any personal information provided.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Suits, 202–720–6328, *Jim.Suits@usda.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Grant and Agreement Applications and Reporting for Activities in International Research, Extension, and Teaching.

OMB Number: 0551–0057.

Expiration Date of Approval: Three years from the approval date.

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

Abstract: Section 503 of the Agricultural Trade Expansion Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5693), as implemented via 7 CFR 2.601, empowers the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS) to assist the Secretary of Agriculture by, inter alia, providing agricultural technical assistance and training; and by carrying out other legislated programs, including international agricultural research, extension, and teaching as authorized by 7 U.S.C. Chapter 64). FAS currently operates seven (7) distinct grant and cooperative agreement programs under both general and specific authorities provided by this chapter, of which four (4) are expected to make new awards in the next three years.

In order to ensure that the most meritorious projects are supported, that funds are supporting activities that are advancing the public purpose prescribed in law, and to validate compliance with governmentwide and program-specific requirements, FAS collects a variety of information related to each activity. Responses are voluntary, however, a non-respondent will not be considered for participation in the program. This describes the information to be collected from the recipients of these grants and cooperative agreements. A separate information collection approval exists related to beneficiaries of these programs.

Estimate of Burden: The public reporting burden for each respondent resulting from information collection under these grant programs varies in direct relation to the number of voluntary applications that each respondent submits.

Respondents: State agricultural experiment stations, State cooperative extension services, all colleges and universities, other research or education institutions and organizations, Federal and private agencies and organizations, individuals, and any other contractor or recipient, either foreign or domestic.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 35 per annum.

Estimated Time per Respondent: 15.27 hours per annum.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 531.5 hours per annum.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Kenneth Vernon, the Agency Information Collection Coordinator, at *kenneth.vernon@usda.gov.*

Request for Comments: Send comments regarding (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 collection of information including validity of the methodology and assumption 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 automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be available without change, including any personal information provided, for inspection online at *http://www.regulations.gov* and at the mail address listed above between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays.

Comments will be summarized and included in the submission for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Persons with disabilities who require an alternative means for communication of information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact *FAS-ReasonableAccommodation@usda.gov.*

Daniel Whitley,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Commodity Credit Corporation

Notice of Request for Extension of Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service and Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Foreign Agricultural Service's (FAS) and Commodity Credit Corporation's (CCC) intention to request an extension from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for a currently approved information collection process in support of the Foreign Market Development (FMD) Program and the Market Access Program (MAP).

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by January 26, 2027 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may send comments, identified by OMB Control Number