

compliance with the Act and existing regulations.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for certification that timber purchase and export activities are in compliance with the Act and existing regulations is estimated to average 30 seconds per response.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities, including small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Respondents for certification that timber purchase and export activities are in compliance with the Act and existing regulations are estimated to be 500.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 20.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 83.

36 CFR 223.193(a)

Abstract: The Act requires an annual report on the acquisition and disposition of Federal timber. The Act contains this reporting requirement (16 U.S.C. 620d(a)(1)). This is a revision of currently approved form FS 2400-46 that was approved in OMB Number 0596-0021 as part of the 36 CFR 223.87 information collection requirements.

Estimate of Burden: Public Reporting burden for the annual report is estimated to average: 4.0 hours per response.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities, including small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Respondents for the annual report are estimated to be 500.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 2,000.

Extension and Revision of Currently Approved Information Collection Under 0596-0114

Title: USDA, Forest Service Request for Disposal of National Forest Timber, Timber Export or Substitution Restrictions.

OMB Number: 0596-0114.

Expiration Date of Approval: May 31, 1997.

Type of Request: The following collection requirement is an extension and revision of currently approved OMB Number 0596-0114 and is proposed to be consolidated with other information collections in this notice under OMB Number 0596-0114.

36 CFR 223.190(c)

Abstract: Sourcing area applications require certain minimum information to be evaluated, pursuant to the Act's requirements (16 U.S.C. 620b(c)(3)).

This information includes: a map; a list of manufacturing facilities within same vicinity as applicant's facilities; any other relevant information; and certification that the information is true, complete, and accurate.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden is estimated to average 8.0 hours per response.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities, including small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Respondents for sourcing area applications are estimated to be 2.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 16.

Extension and Revision of Currently Approved Information Collection Under 0596-0115

Title: USDA, Forest Service Request for Sale and Disposal of National Forest Timber, Log Export and Substitution Exemption Restrictions.

OMB Number: 0596-0115.

Expiration Date of Approval: August 31, 1995.

Type of Request: The following collection requirements are extensions and revisions of currently approved OMB Number 0596-0115 and are proposed to be consolidated under OMB Number 0596-0114.

36 CFR 223.191(e)

Abstract: Purchasers have the option of providing information for sourcing area reviews. This information may increase the likelihood that the results of the review will meet the purchaser's needs and will provide comprehensive information for the Department's review of the application (16 U.S.C. 620b(c)(3)).

Estimate of Burden: If purchasers elect to provide information for sourcing area reviews, the public reporting burden is estimated to average 2.0 hours per responses.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities, including small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Respondents to the review of sourcing areas are estimated to be 10.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 20.

36 CFR 223.203(c)

Abstract: The Act provides an exception to indirect substitution restrictions for National Forest System timber from within Washington State (16 U.S.C. 620b(b)(2)). Purchasers with approved shares may sell or trade those

shares if the purchaser advises the Regional Forester of the amounts being traded and the name of the person acquiring such rights, so the agency has accurate information by which to monitor the exemption.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden is estimated to average 1.0 hour per response.

Respondents: Businesses or other for-profit entities, including small businesses.

Estimated Number of Respondents: Respondents to the trading of shares in Washington State are estimated to be 2.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 2.

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 this 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 respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Use of Comments

All comments received in response 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: December 4, 1995.

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Rural Housing and Community Development Service

Notice of Availability of Housing Funds

AGENCIES: Rural Housing and Community Development Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Housing and Development Service (RHCDs) announces the availability of housing funds for fiscal year 1996 (FY 1996). This action is taken to comply with 42 U.S.C. 1490p which requires that RHCDs publish in the Federal Register