purpose for which the records were collected.

- 4. Disclosure may be made to a congressional office from the record of an individual in response to an inquiry from the congressional office made on behalf of that individual.
- 5. Information from this system of records will be forwarded to the Internal Revenue Service for income tax purposes.
- 6. Release of information to other USDA agencies may be made for internal processing purposes.
- 7. Information will be reviewed during inquiry into payments to be made by the USDA to its employees.
- 8. To appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when (1) the agency suspects or has confirmed that the security or confidentiality of information in the system of records has been compromised; (2) the Department has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed compromise there is a risk of harm to economic or property interests, identity theft or fraud, or harm to the security or integrity of this system or other systems or programs (whether maintained by the Department or another agency or entity) that rely upon the compromised information; and (3) the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and persons as reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the Department's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed compromise and prevent, minimize, or remedy such harm.
- 9. USDA will disclose information about individuals from the system of records in accordance with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109– 282; codified at 31 U.S.C. 6101, et seq.); section 204 of the E-Government Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-347; 44 U.S.C. 3501 note), and the Office of Federal Procurement Policy Act (41 U.S.C. 403 et seq.), or similar statutes requiring agencies to make public information concerning Federal financial assistance, including grants, sub-grants, loan awards, cooperative agreements, and other financial assistance; and contracts, purchase orders, task orders, and delivery orders.

POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORING, RETRIEVING, ACCESSING, RETAINING, AND DISPOSING OF RECORDS IN THE SYSTEM:

STORAGE:

Records are stored and maintained electronically on USDA-owned mainframes, servers, tapes, disks, and in file folders at USDA offices.

RETRIEVABILITY:

Records in the system are retrieved by SSNs or by employee identification numbers.

SAFEGUARDS:

Magnetic tape files and disk files are kept in a locked computer room and tape library, which can be accessed by authorized personnel only. File folders are maintained in a secured area and access is only permitted to authorized personnel. On-line access by USDA personnel is password protected. Data that is transmitted electronically is encrypted. There are Memoranda of Understanding and Interconnectivity Security Agreements to govern the transmission of Financial Systems data. There are Service Level Agreements with data centers that provide computing services for the Financial Systems. Contracts contain specific language for contractors to protect private information and follow USDA privacy policy.

RETENTION AND DISPOSAL:

Master history magnetic tapes are retained in accordance with a tape library management schedule. Manual records are transferred to the Federal Records Center for storage and disposition in accordance with the appropriate retention schedules.

SYSTEM MANAGER(S) AND ADDRESS:

USDA, Office of the Chief Financial Officer/Associate Chief Financial Officer for Financial Systems, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 3037 South Building, Washington, DC 20250.

NOTIFICATION PROCEDURE:

An individual may request information regarding this system of records or information as to whether the system contains records pertaining to such individual from the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Washington, DC office. The request for information should contain the individual's name, SSN or tax identification number (TIN) and address. Before information of any record is released, the system manager may require the individual to provide proof of identity or require the requester to furnish authorization from the individual to permit release of information.

RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:

An individual my obtain information as to the procedures for gaining access to a record in the system, which pertains to such individual, by submitting a request to the Privacy Act Officer, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., South Building, Washington, DC 20250. The envelope and letters should

be marked "Privacy Act Request." A request for information should contain name, address, and name of system of records, year of records in question, and any other pertinent information to help identify the file.

CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:

Procedures for contesting records are the same as procedures for record access. Include the reason for contesting the record and the proposed amendment to the information with supporting documentation to show how the record is inaccurate.

RECORD SOURCE CATEGORIES:

Records are loaded from the USDA payroll system to create records of USDA employees. Vendors who do business with the USDA submit their information into the Central Contractor Registration, which is subsequently loaded into the Financial Systems. This information includes but is not limited to SSN, TIN, name, address, and bank electronic funds transfer information. Records are also directly loaded on-line into the Financial Systems by agency personnel.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2010-0006]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Commercial Transportation of Equines for Slaughter

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Extension of approval of an information collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with regulations for the commercial transportation of equines to slaughtering facilities.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before April 12, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to (http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-

2010-0006) to submit or view comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.

● Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery: Please send two copies of your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2010-0006, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238. Please state that your comment refers to Docket No. APHIS-2010-0006.

Reading Room: You may read any comments that we receive on this docket in our reading room. The reading room is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 690-2817 before coming.

Other Information: Additional information about APHIS and its programs is available on the Internet at (http://www.aphis.usda.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For information on regulations for the commercial transportation of equines to slaughtering facilities, contact Mr. Joseph Astling, Compliance Specialist, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, 4700 River Road Unit 33, Riverdale, MD 20737; (817) 247-3704. For copies of more detailed information on the information collection, contact Mrs. Celeste Sickles, APHIS' Information Collection Coordinator, at (301) 851-2908.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Commercial Transportation of Equines for Slaughter.

OMB Number: 0579-0160.

Type of Request: Extension of approval of an information collection.

Abstract: Under the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 ("the Farm Bill"), Congress gave responsibility to the Secretary of Agriculture to regulate the commercial transportation within the United States of equines for slaughter. Sections 901-905 of the Farm Bill (7 U.S.C. 1901 note) authorized the Secretary to issue guidelines for the regulation of commercial transportation of equines for slaughter by persons regularly engaged in that activity within the United States. As a result of that authority, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, established regulations in 9 CFR part 88, "Commercial Transportation of Equines for Slaughter."

The minimum standards cover, among other things, the food, water, and

rest provided to such equines. The regulations require the owner/shipper of the equines to take certain actions in loading and transporting the equines and to certify that the commercial transportation meets certain requirements. Our regulations prohibit the commercial transportation to slaughter facilities of equines considered to be unfit for travel, the use of electric prods on such animals in commercial transportation to slaughter, and the use of double-deck trailers for commercial transportation of equines to slaughtering facilities.

These regulations require the use of two information collection activities: (1) The preparation of an owner-shipper certificate for each equine transported to slaughter and (2) the collection of business information from any individual or other entity found to be transporting horses to a slaughtering facility.

We are asking the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to approve our use of these information collection activities for an additional 3 years.

The purpose of this notice is to solicit comments from the public (as well as affected agencies) concerning our information collection. These comments will help us:

(1) Evaluate whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(2) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through use, as appropriate, of automated, electronic, mechanical, and other collection technologies; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Estimate of burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.388552238 hours per response.

Respondents: Owners and shippers of slaughter horses; owners/operators of slaughtering facilities; drivers of transport vehicles.

Estimated annual number of respondents: 300.

Estimated annual number of responses per respondent: 22.333333. Estimated annual number of responses: 6,700.

Estimated total annual burden on respondents: 2,603 hours. (Due to

averaging, the total annual burden hours may not equal the product of the annual number of responses multiplied by the reporting burden per response.)

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

Done in Washington, DC, this 3rd day of February 2010.

Kevin Shea

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Dixie National Forest, UT, Kitty Hawk Administrative Site Master Development Plan

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The USDA Forest Service will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to analyze the master development plan for the Kitty Hawk Forest Service Administrative Site within the city limits of Cedar City. Utah. The site is administered by the Cedar City Ranger District, Dixie National Forest, Utah. The agency gives notice of the full environmental analysis and decision-making process that will occur on the proposal so that interested and affected people may become aware of how they can participate in the process and contribute to the final decision.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by thirty days after publication of this Notice of Intent in the **Federal Register**. The draft environmental impact statement is expected in May, 2010. The final environmental impact statement is expected in September, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Kitty Hawk Administrative Site Master Development Plan Analysis Coordinator, Cedar City Ranger District, Dixie National Forest, 1789 Wedgewood Lane, Cedar City, Utah 84721. Electronic comments must be submitted in rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc) to comments-intermtn-dixie@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kitty Hawk Administrative Site Master Development Plan Analysis Coordinator, Cedar City Ranger District, Dixie National Forest, 1789 Wedgewood Lane, Cedar City, Utah 84721.