

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service**

[Docket No. APHIS–2023–0012]

**Notice of Request for Revision to and Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Swine Health Protection****AGENCY:** Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.**ACTION:** Revision to and 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 a revision to and extension of approval of an information collection associated with the swine health protection program.**DATES:** We will consider all comments that we receive on or before April 28, 2023.**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Enter APHIS–2023–0012 in the Search field. Select the Documents tab, then select the Comment button in the list of documents.
- **Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:** Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS–2023–0012, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A–03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737–1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at [regulations.gov](http://regulations.gov) or in our reading room, which is located in room 1620 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) 799–7039 before coming.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For information on the swine health protection program, contact Dr. Nicki Humphrey, Swine Health Staff, Strategy & Policy, Veterinary Services, APHIS, 2150 Centre Avenue, Building B, Mailstop 3E13, Fort Collins, CO 80526; (615) 290–6146; [nicki.l.humphrey@usda.gov](mailto:nicki.l.humphrey@usda.gov). For information on the information collection reporting process, contact Mr. Joseph Moxey, APHIS' Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, at (301) 851–2483; [joseph.moxey@usda.gov](mailto:joseph.moxey@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:***Title:* Swine Health Protection.*OMB Control Number:* 0579–0065.*Type of Request:* Revision to and extension of approval of an information collection.

*Abstract:* Under the Animal Health Protection Act (AHPA) of 2002 (7 U.S.C. 8301 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is authorized, among other things, to prohibit or restrict the interstate movement of animals and animal products to prevent the dissemination within the United States of animal diseases and pests of livestock and to conduct programs to detect, control, and eradicate pests and diseases of livestock.

The Swine Health Protection Act (the Act) prohibits the feeding of garbage to swine intended for interstate movement or foreign commerce or that substantially affect such commerce unless the garbage has been treated to kill disease organisms. Untreated garbage is one of the primary media through which numerous infectious and communicable diseases can be transmitted to swine. The regulations promulgated under the Act in 9 CFR part 166 require that garbage intended to be fed to swine must be treated at a facility that holds a valid permit to treat the garbage and must be treated in accordance with the regulations.

As part of its swine health protection program, APHIS conducts a pseudorabies (PRV) eradication program in cooperation with State governments, swine producers, swine shippers, herd owners, and accredited veterinarians. The program identifies PRV-affected swine, provides herd management techniques, and has eliminated PRV in commercial production herds. However, APHIS periodically finds infected swine when swine are exposed to feral swine or other swine that have had exposure to feral swine.

The regulations in 9 CFR parts 71 and 85 facilitate the PRV eradication program and general swine health by providing requirements for moving swine interstate within a swine production system. (A production system consists of separate farms that each specialize in a different phase of swine production such as sow herds, nursery herds, and finishing herds. These separate farms, all members of the same production system, may be located in more than one State.)

The regulations for the feeding of garbage to swine and for the PRV eradication program require the use of a number of information collection activities, including the completion of applications to operate garbage

treatment facilities; an acknowledgement of the Swine Health Protection Act and implementing regulations; garbage treatment facility inspection; cancellation of license by State animal health officials; request for a hearing; cancellation of license by licensee; notification by licensee of sick or dead animals; notification by licensee of changes to name, address, or management; cooperative agreements, for States (currently four) that issue garbage feeding licenses under VS supervision but do not have primary enforcement responsibility; swine health protection program inspection summary; permit to move restricted animals; owner-shipper statement; certificate of veterinary inspection; accredited veterinarian's statement regarding embryo and semen shipments; identification for swine moving interstate; swine production system health plan; interstate movement report and notification; cancellation or withdrawal of a swine production system health plan; appeal of cancellation of a swine production system health plan; shipment to slaughter seal; appraisal and indemnity claim form; report of net salvage proceeds; herd management plans; and recordkeeping.

The previous approval of this information collection incorporated collection activities associated with the APHIS Trichinae Certification Program, which appeared in 9 CFR part 149. However, APHIS eliminated the program in a final rule<sup>1</sup> published on September 24, 2021 (86 FR 52954–52955); therefore, those activities have been removed from Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 0579–0065.

We are asking OMB to approve our use of the above listed information collection activities, as described, 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

<sup>1</sup> Go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). Enter APHIS–2020–0065 in the Search field.

(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 burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 1.804 hours per response.

**Respondents:** Owners/operators (licensees) of garbage treatment facilities, herd owners, food establishments, accredited veterinarians, and State animal health authorities.

**Estimated annual number of respondents:** 23,500.

**Estimated annual number of responses per respondent:** 41.

**Estimated annual number of responses:** 965,913.

**Estimated total annual burden on respondents:** 1,742,651 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 22nd day of February 2023.

**Anthony Shea,**

*Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Natural Resources Conservation Service

[Docket ID NRCS-2022-0018]

#### Proposed Revisions to the National Handbook of Conservation Practices for the Natural Resources Conservation Service

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture. (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; request for comments; reopening of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is reopening the comment period for 45 days to allow the public to provide comments on the specified conservation practice standards to be revised in the National Handbook of Conservation Practices (NHCP) published on December 19, 2022.

**DATES:** The comment period for the Notice of availability, request for comments published on December 19, 2022, (87 FR 77547-77549) is reopened. We will consider comments that we receive by April 13, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** We invite you to submit comments in response to this notice. You may submit your comments through one of the methods below:

- **Federal eRulemaking Portal:** Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and search for Docket ID NRCS-2022-0018. Follow the online instructions for submitting comments; or

- **Mail or Hand Delivery:** Mr. Clarence Prestwich, National Agricultural Engineer, Conservation Engineering Division, NRCS, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, South Building, Room 4636, Washington, DC 20250. In your comment, please specify the Docket ID NRCS-2022-0018.

All comments received will be made publicly available on <http://www.regulations.gov>.

The copies of the proposed revised standards are available through <http://www.regulations.gov> by accessing Docket No. NRCS-2022-0018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Clarence Prestwich at (202) 720-2972 or email [clarence.prestwich@usda.gov](mailto:clarence.prestwich@usda.gov). Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication should contact the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Target Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NRCS is reopening the comment period on the notice of availability, request for comments published on December 19, 2022, (87 FR 77547-77549). The comment period for the original notice closed on January 18, 2023. Based on requests received during the initial comment period, NRCS is providing an additional 45 days to allow the public to comment on the specified conservation practice standards to be revised in the NHCP. This will allow more time for the public to adequately review and provide constructive feedback on the proposed revisions to the conservation practice standards.

**Louis Aspey,**

*Associate Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Economic Development Administration

#### Notice of National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship Meeting

**AGENCY:** Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of an open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship (NACIE) will hold a virtual public meeting on Thursday, March 16, 2023. In 2022, U.S. Secretary of Commerce Gina M. Raimondo appointed a cohort of 33 members to NACIE, and this will be this cohort's fourth meeting. During this meeting, NACIE expects to finalize and vote on a recommendation related to the regional technology and innovation hubs program recently enacted and funded by Congress.

**DATES:** Thursday, March 16, 2023, 3 p.m.–4 p.m. ET.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held virtually with no in-person component or option. Teleconference or web conference connection information will be published prior to the meeting along with the agenda on the NACIE website at <https://www.eda.gov/oie/nacie/>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eric Smith, Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 78018, Washington, DC 20230; email: [nacie@doc.gov](mailto:nacie@doc.gov); telephone: +1 202 482 8001. Please reference “NACIE March 2023 Meeting” in the subject line of your correspondence.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NACIE, established pursuant to Section 25(c) of the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980, as amended (15 U.S.C. 3720(c)), and managed by EDA's Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship, is a Federal Advisory Committee Act committee that provides advice directly to the Secretary of Commerce.

NACIE has been charged with developing a national entrepreneurship strategy that strengthens America's ability to compete and win as the world's leading startup nation and as the world's leading innovator in critical emerging technologies. NACIE also has been charged with identifying and recommending solutions to drive the innovation economy, including growing a skilled STEM workforce and removing barriers for entrepreneurs ushering innovative technologies into the market.