pseudorabies from the national herd in the United States. As that goal becomes nearer, it is necessary to discuss issues such as the need for continued production of vaccine after eradication has been declared, changes in the availability of diagnostic reagents and test kits, and possible changes to the biosecurity level assigned to the causative agents for both diseases.

In October 2002, at a forum hosted by APHIS in St Louis, MO, representatives of State and Federal government, academia, veterinary biologics industry, producer groups, and animal disease researchers compiled a list of issues that they believed should be considered when developing regulations or policies concerning the use of vaccines beyond the end of eradication programs for diseases such as brucellosis and pseudorabies. It was suggested that APHIS seek additional input from State animal health officials, producer groups, and other interested persons prior to deciding the final policy. The report of the October 2002 meeting is available on the Internet at http://newlypublishedinfo.htm.

We are holding this meeting to solicit additional input on the continued use of and need for vaccines and diagnostic reagents at the end of eradication for these and other program diseases.

This meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 10, 2005. The public meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and is scheduled to end at 3 p.m. but may end earlier if all persons wishing to speak have been heard. Those wishing to speak at the meeting must register in advance on or before June 1, 2005. To register to speak, please e-mail Ms. Gera Ashton at gera.a.ashton@aphis.usda.gov. Please provide the subject of your remarks and the approximate length of time that will be necessary. Depending on the number of speakers, limits may be imposed on the length of each presentation.

Speakers may register on the day of the meeting between 7:30 and 8 a.m. The time allotted to each speaker will depend on the number of pre-registered speakers. If time permits, persons attending the meeting who have not registered to speak will be given an opportunity to make remarks after the registered speakers have concluded their comments. The meeting will be recorded, and information about obtaining a transcript will be provided at the meeting.

If you require special accommodations, such as a sign language interpreter, please contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Done in Washington, DC, this 21st day of April 2005.

Elizabeth E. Gaston,
Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Food Safety and Inspection Service
[Docket No. 05–009N]

Notice of Request for a New Information Collection (Consumer Complaint Monitoring System and the Food Safety Mobile Questionnaire)

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, this notice announces the Food Safety and Inspection Service’s (FSIS) intention to request a new information collection regarding its Consumer Complaint Monitoring System web portal and its electronic Food Safety Mobile questionnaire.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before June 27, 2005.

ADDRESSES: FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this information collection request. Comments may be submitted by Mail, including floppy disks or CD–ROM’s, and hand–or courier–delivered items: Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, 300 12th Street, SW., Room 102 Cotton Annex, Washington, DC 20250.

All submissions received must include the Agency name and docket number 05–009N.

All comments submitted in response to this notice, as well as research and background information used by FSIS in developing this document, will be available for public inspection in the FSIS Docket Room at the address listed above between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. The comments also will be posted on the Agency’s Web site at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations&_policies/2005_Notices_Index/index.asp.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: Consumer Complaint Monitoring System; the Food Safety Mobile Questionnaire.

Type of Request: New information collection.

Abstract: FSIS has been delegated the authority to exercise the functions of the Secretary as specified in the Federal Meat Inspection Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601, et seq.), the Poultry Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451, et seq.), and the Egg Products Inspection Act (EPIA) (21 U.S.C. 1031, et seq.). These statutes mandate that FSIS protect the public by ensuring that meat, poultry, and egg products are safe, wholesome, unadulterated, and properly labeled and packaged.

FSIS is requesting a new information collection addressing paperwork and recordkeeping requirements regarding the Agency’s Consumer Complaint Monitoring System Web portal and regarding its electronic Food Safety Mobile questionnaire.

FSIS tracks consumer complaints about meat, poultry, and egg products. Consumer complaints are usually filed because the food made the consumer sick, caused an allergic reaction, was not properly labeled (misbranded), or contained a foreign object. FSIS is developing a Web portal to allow consumers to electronically file a complaint with the Agency about a meat, poultry, or egg product. FSIS will use this information to look for trends that will enhance the Agency’s food safety efforts.

FSIS uses a Food Safety Mobile, vehicle that travels throughout the continental United States, to educate consumers about the risks associated with the mishandling of food and the steps they can take to reduce their risk of foodborne illness. Organizations can request a visit from the FSIS Food Safety Mobile. To facilitate the scheduling of the Food Safety Mobile’s visits, the Agency is planning to put an electronic questionnaire on its Web site. The questionnaire will solicit information about the person/organization requesting the visit, the timing of the visit, and the type of event at which the Food Safety Mobile is to appear.

FSIS has made the following estimates based upon an information collection assessment.

Estimate of Burden: The public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average .084 hours per response.

Respondents: Consumers and organizations.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 650.
Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.
Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 55 hours.

Copies of this information collection assessment can be obtained from John O'Connell, Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, 300 12th Street, SW., Room 112, Washington, DC 20250–3700, (202) 720–0345.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FSIS’ functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of FSIS’ 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 those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to both John O’Connell, Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, at the address provided above, and the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20253.

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.

Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, in an effort to ensure that the public and in particular minorities, women, and persons with disabilities, are aware of this notice, FSIS will announce it on-line through the FSIS web page located at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/regulations/2005_Notices_Index/index.asp.

FSIS also will make copies of this Federal Register publication available through the FSIS Constituent Update, which is used to provide information regarding FSIS policies, procedures, regulations, Federal Register notices, FSIS public meetings, recalls, and other types of information that could affect or would be of interest to our constituents and stakeholders. The update is communicated via Listserv, a free e-mail subscription consisting of industry, trade, and farm groups, consumer interest groups, allied health professionals, scientific professionals, and other individuals who have requested to be included. The update also is available on the FSIS web page. Through Listserv and the web page, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader, more diverse audience.

In addition, FSIS offers an e-mail subscription service which provides an automatic and customized notification when popular pages are updated, including Federal Register publications and related documents. This service is available at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/news_and_events/email_subscription/ and allows FSIS customers to sign up for subscription options across eight categories. Options range from calls to export information to regulations, directives and notices. Customers can add or delete subscriptions themselves and have the option to password protect their account.

Done at Washington, DC, on April 22, 2005.

Barbara J. Masters,
Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Chugach National Forest; Alaska; Kenai Winter Access

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Chugach National Forest will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for developing the Kenai winter access management plan on the Seward Ranger District. The objective of the Kenai winter access management plan is to respond to the public’s need for high quality winter recreation opportunities and access in the planning area that best meets the needs of past, present and future users of the area and surrounding areas.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis to be most helpful should be received on or before May 25, 2005. The draft environmental impact statement is expected to be completed in August 2005 and the final environmental impact statement is expected to be completed in November 2005.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to Kenai Winter Access, Chugach National Forest, 3301 C St., Suite 300, Anchorage, AK 99503. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (907) 743–9476 or by e-mail to comments-alaska-chugach@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rebecca Talbott, Public Affairs Staff Officer, Chugach National Forest, 3301 C St., Suite 300, Anchorage, AK 99503, (907) 743–9500. Sharon Randall, Planning Staff Officer, Chugach National Forest, 3301 C St., Suite 300, Anchorage, AK 99503, (907) 743–9500.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service is seeking information, comments and assistance from individuals, organizations, tribal governments, and Federal, State, and local agencies that are interested or may be affected by the proposed action. The public is invited to help identify issues and define the range of alternatives to be considered in the EIS. The range of alternatives will be based on the identification of significant public issues, management concerns, resource management opportunities, and plan decisions specific to Access Management within the scope of the Chugach National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan 2002 Revision (Forest Plan). Written comments identifying issues for analysis and range of alternatives are encouraged.

Background

On May 31, 2002, the Alaska (Region 10) Regional Forester signed the Record of Decision for the Revised Chugach Forest Plan. A number of individuals and organizations then appealed various parts of the decision, including the closure of the Carter-Crescent Lakes area to winter motorized access.

In January 2003, after reviewing the appeals and the administrative record, the Regional Forester withdrew that portion of the decision closing the Carter-Crescent Lakes area to winter motorized access. By withdrawing the decision for the Carter-Crescent Lakes area, management direction for that area remained as it was in the 1984 Chugach National Forest Plan. Under the 1984 Forest Plan, the area is open to winter motorized activities from December 1 to April 30 once there is adequate snow to protect resources.

The Regional Forester also directed the Chugach National Forest to reconsider this portion of the decision at the local level, with involvement from all interested parties, to make sure that the site-specific impacts of any closure were fully disclosed and that reasonable alternatives were considered.

As directed by the Regional Forester, the Forest Service began a site-specific analysis for the Carter-Crescent Lakes Area in late February and March of