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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

September 22, 2016.

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. Comments are requested regarding (1) 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) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) 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 and other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by October 27, 2016 will be considered. Written comments should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street NW., Washington, DC 20503. Commentors are encouraged to submit their comments to OMB via email to: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax (202) 395–5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, DC 20250–7602. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720–8681.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information

displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Forest Service

Title: Forest Industries Data

Collection System.

OMB Control Number: 0596–0010.
Summary of Collection: The Forest and Range Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (Pub. L. 93–278), National Forest Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 1600), and the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Research Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95–307) amended by the Energy Security Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 8701) require the Forest Service (FS) to evaluate trends in the use of logs and wood chips, to forecast anticipated levels of logs and wood chips, and to analyze changes in the harvest of the resources. Forest product and other wood-using industries are important to state, regional, and national economies. In most southern states, the value of rounded timber products is ranked either first or second in relation to other major agricultural crops. The importance and value of the timber products industry is significant in other regions of the United States as well. The FS will collect information using questionnaires.

Need and Use of the Information: To monitor the types, species, volumes, sources, and prices of the timber products harvested throughout the Nation. Using the "Primary Mill Questionnaire" FS will collect industrial round wood information from the primary wood-using industries throughout the United States and from mills in Canada that directly receive wood from the United States. FS will also use the "Pulp & Board Forest Industries Questionnaire." The data will be used to develop specific economic development plans for a new forest-related industry in a State and to assist existing industries in identifying raw material problems and opportunity. The "Loggers Survey" will track information pertaining to the logging company to determine changes in the logging contractor workforce as a whole, not by individual company. This type of data is important in understanding the logging industry and its response to

outside influences. If the information were not collected, data would not be available for sub-state, state, regional and national policy makers and program developers to make decisions related to the forestland on a scientific basis.

Description of Respondents: Business or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Number of Respondents: 2,170.

Frequency of Responses: Reporting; On occasion; Annually.

Total Burden Hours: 1,131.

Charlene Parker,

Departmental Information Collection Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Proposed New Fee Sites; Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108–447)

AGENCY: Ottawa National Forest, USDA Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of proposed new fee sites.

SUMMARY: The Ottawa National Forest is proposing new recreation fee sites. The Ottawa's proposal includes: A \$100 day use fee for Clark Lake and Lake Ottawa group picnic buildings; a \$5 daily or \$30 annual fee for Black River picnic area and the Lake Ottawa day use area; and a \$400 day use option for group use of Camp Nesbit, an organizational camp.

Fees are assessed based on the level of amenities and services provided, cost of operations and maintenance, and market assessment. These fees are proposed and will be determined upon further analysis and public comment. Funds from fees would be used for the continued operation and maintenance and improvements to the facilities within the recreation areas.

An analysis of nearby recreation facilities with similar amenities shows that the proposed fees are reasonable and typical of similar sites in the area.

DATES: Comments will be accepted through November 30, 2016. New fees would begin May 2017.

ADDRESSES: Linda L. Jackson, Forest Supervisor, Ottawa National Forest,

E6248 Hwy. 2 East, Ironwood, MI 49938.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa Klaus, Public Affairs Officer, 906-932-1330 extension 328. Information about these and other proposed fee changes can also be found on the Ottawa National Forest Web site: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Recreation Lands Enhancement Act (Title VII, Pub. L. 108-447) directed the Secretary of Agriculture to publish a six month advance notice in the **Federal Register** whenever new recreation fee areas are established.

Clark Lake and Lake Ottawa group picnic sites are fully enclosed buildings that each hold up to 75 people. Both have recently been renovated with Clark Lake receiving new bathrooms and showers, and Lake Ottawa receiving updates to the water and wastewater systems.

Black River picnic area is a public access point for boaters to Lake Superior and is one of the most highly visited sites on the Forest. It has received a renovation to its water and wastewater systems with a renovation of the pavilion to be completed in 2016.

The day use fee for Camp Nesbit would cover use of the dining hall, recreation hall, beach, restroom and shower facilities, and archery range. Season dates for Camp Nesbit vary annually based on use and weather conditions, but generally range from mid-April through mid-October. Once public involvement is complete, these new fees will be reviewed by a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee prior to a final decision and implementation.

Dated: September 21, 2016.

David M. Birdsall,
Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended), the Rural Housing Service (RHS) invites comments on this information

collection for which approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) will be requested. The intention is to request a revision for a currently approved information collection in support of the program for 7 CFR part 1927-B, Real Estate Title Clearance and Loan Closing.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by November 28, 2016.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Andrea Birmingham, Loan Specialist, USDA Rural Housing Service, Single Family Housing, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., STOP 0783, Washington, DC 20250-0783, Telephone: (202) 720-1489. Fax: 1 (844) 496-7795. Email: Andrea.Birmingham@one.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) regulation (5 CFR part 1320) implementing provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104-13) required that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities (see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)). This notice identifies an information collection that RHS is submitting to OMB for approval. 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 the 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 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:

Title: Real Estate Title Clearance and Loan Closing.

OMB Number: 0575-0147.

Expiration Date: February 28, 2017.

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

Abstract: Section 501 of Title V of the Housing Act of 1949, as amended, authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to extend financial assistance to construct, improve, alter, repair, replace or rehabilitate dwellings, farm buildings, and/or related facilities to provide decent, safe, and sanitary living conditions and adequate farm buildings and other structures in rural areas. Title

clearance is required to assure the Agency(s) that the loan is legally secured and has the required lien priority.

RHS will be collecting information to assure that those participating in this program remain eligible to proceed with loan closing and to ensure that loans are made with Federal funds are legally secured. The respondents are individuals or households, businesses and non-profit institutions. The information required is used by the USDA personnel to verify that the required lien position has been obtained. The information is collected at the field office responsible for processing a loan application through loan closing. The information is also used to ensure the program is administered in manner consistent with legislative and administrative requirements. If not collected, the Agency would be unable to determine if the loan is adequately and legally secure. RHS continually strives to ensure that information collection burden is kept to a minimum.

Estimate of Burden: Public burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 0.25 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals or Households, Businesses, Closing agents/Attorneys and the field office staff.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 13,500.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 3.

Estimate Number of Responses: 40,450.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 3,925 hours.

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of RHS, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the RHS' 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 forms of information technology. Comments may be sent to Jeanne Jacobs, Regulation and Paperwork Management Branch, Support Services Division, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, STOP 0742, Washington, DC 20250-0742. All responses to this