

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 use of appropriate, automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection. All comments will become a matter of public record.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* The Impacts of Time Limits on Unemployed Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents.

*OMB Number:* Not yet assigned.

*Expiration Date:* Not applicable.

*Type of Request:* New collection of information.

*Abstract:* With the passage of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Pub.L. 104-193, (PRWORA), able-bodied adults without dependents are subject to a time limit on receipt of food stamps unless they work or participate in an approved work or training program. PRWORA gives states many options in their implementation of these provisions, including who to exempt, what type of employment and training (E&T) services to offer, and how to track recipients to ensure compliance with the work requirement and time limit. The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is conducting a study, The Impacts of Time Limits on Unemployed Able-Bodied Adults Without Dependents, to describe how the time limits have actually been implemented and to count the number of persons affected by the time limits. Addressing these two objectives of the study requires collection of new information, both about how the time limits have been implemented and about the program participants that have been affected. FNS plans two data collection activities related to policy implementation. First, a telephone survey of state, county, and local Food Stamp Program (FSP) staff will be conducted in all 50 states. Second, in-person visits will be conducted to five state FSP offices, and to an advocacy organization and three local offices in each of these five states.

FNS plans three data collection activities to obtain information on the number of persons affected by the policy. First, tabulated data will be requested from all 50 states on the number and characteristics of persons exempt from the time limits, persons subject to the time limits, persons meeting the work requirements, and persons disqualified because of the time limits. Second, micro-level administrative case-record data will be requested from five states for use in conducting supplemental analysis. Third, if a subset of states is unable to provide tabulated data, case-record information will be extracted from up to 20 local offices across this set of states.

*Estimate of Burden:* The estimated public reporting burden associated with the telephone interviews is as follows: state FSP director and manager of local office operations interviewed together (50 minutes), state E&T manager (30 minutes), local FSP director (10 minutes), local caseworker manager and local FSP director interviewed together (30 minutes), local E&T manager (25 minutes), county FSP director (15 minutes). The estimated public reporting burden associated with the site visits is as follows: meeting with state FSP director and manager of local office operations (3 hours); meeting with state E&T manager and assistant (1.5 hours); meeting with member of a state advocacy group (1.5 hours); meeting with local FSP director, manager of local office operations, and E&T manager together (3 hours); group interview with 4 caseworkers (1.5 hours). The estimated public reporting burden associated with the automated data collection is as follows: preparation of tabulated data (16 hours), preparation of administrative case-record data (16 hours), assistance related to case-record extraction (16 hours).

*Respondents:* The respondents associated with the telephone interview and site visits are listed above. Automated data experts in state and local FSP offices will prepare the tabulated data and administrative case-record data files. Caseworker managers in local FSP offices will provide assistance related to case-record extraction.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* Telephone interviews will be conducted with 418 respondents, and 130 individuals will be interviewed during the site visits. Approximately 75 individuals will assist with the preparation of automated data files and case-record extraction.

*Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent:* All data collection protocols will be administered once per

respondent. The state FSP director, state manager of local office operations, and state E&T manager from five states will participate in both the national telephone survey and in-person interviews. The local office FSP director will be contacted twice as part of the national survey—once to introduce the study and set up the local interview and again to participate with the casework manager in the telephone interview.

*Estimated Total Burden on Respondents:* 1,719 hours.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC)

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee will meet on June 18 and 19, 1998 at the Bayshore Inn Conference Room, 3500 Broadway, Eureka, California. On June 18, the meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 5:00 p.m. The meeting on June 19 will resume at 8:00 a.m. and adjourn at 3:00 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) follow-up to the joint 3PAC/SCERT meeting; (2) province fuels discussion; (3) watershed analysis concerns on the East Fork/Smokey Creek Watershed Analysis (Shasta-Trinity National Forests) and opportunities for doing watershed analysis differently; (4) follow-up on rechartering the Memorandum of Understanding for the IAC/PACs; and (5) public comment periods. All PAC meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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