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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Institute of Food and Agriculture

Notice of Intent to Request an Extension of a Currently

Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Institute of Food and Agriculture, 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 (5 CFR part 1320) which implement the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35), this notice announces the National Institute of Food and Agriculture's (NIFA) intention to request approval to extend the currently approved information collection in support of authorizations to use the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem.

DATES: Written comments on this notice must be received by

[INSERT DATE 60 DAYS FROM PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL

REGISTER] to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be submitted by any of the following methods: E-mail: gmendez@nifa.usda.gov; Fax: 202-720-0857; Mail: Office of Information Technology

(OIT), NIFA, USDA, STOP 2216, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-2216

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gidel Mendez, eGovernment Program Leader; E-mail: gmendez@nifa.usda.gov.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

<u>Title:</u> Application for Authorization to Use the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem.

OMB Number: 0524-0034.

Expiration Date of Current Approval: August 31, 2012.

Type of Request: Intent to seek approval for the extension of a currently approved information collection for three years.

Abstract: Use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem is authorized by an Act of Congress (18 U.S.C. 707). Use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem by anyone other than 4-H Clubs and those duly authorized by them, representatives of the United States Department of Agriculture, the land grant colleges and universities, and persons authorized by the Secretary of Agriculture is prohibited by the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 707. The Secretary of Agriculture has delegated authority to the Director of NIFA to authorize others to use the 4-H Club Name and Emblem. The Director has promulgated regulations at 7 CFR Part 8 that govern such

use. The regulatory requirements for use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem reflect the high standards of 4-H and its educational goals and objectives. Pursuant to provisions of 7 CFR Part 8 anyone requesting authorization from the Director to use the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem is asked to describe the proposed use in a formal application. The collection of this information is used to determine whether the applicant's proposed use will meet the regulatory requirements in 7 CFR Part 8 and whether an authorization for use should be granted.

Need and Use of the Information: NIFA will collect information on the name of the individual, partnership, corporation, or association; the organizational address; the name of an authorized representative; the telephone number, facsimile number, and e-mail address; the proposed use of the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem; and the plan for sale or distribution of the product bearing the 4-H Club Name and/or Emblem. The information collected by NIFA will be used to determine if those applying to use the 4-H Name and/or Emblem meet the regulatory requirements. If the information is not collected, it would not be possible to ensure that the products, services, and materials meet the

regulatory requirements as well as 4-H educational goals and objectives.

Estimate of Burden: No changes have been proposed to this collection, and the public reporting burden remains at the estimated average .5 hours per response.

Respondents: Individuals, households, businesses or other for-profit or not-for-profit institutions.

Comments: 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; (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.

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

Obtaining a Copy of the Information Collection: A copy of the information collection and related instructions may be obtained free of charge by contacting Gidel Mendez as directed above.

Done in Washington, D.C., this 29th\_\_\_\_ day of\_May\_\_\_\_, 2012.

Catherine E. Woteki, Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics

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