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## **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

### **Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

May 18, 2017

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 or other forms of information technology.

Comments regarding this information collection received by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] 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), [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov) or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

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**Food and Nutrition Service**

*TITLE:* Assessment of the Barriers that Constrain the Adequacy of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Allotments

*OMB CONTROL NUMBER:* 0584-NEW

*SUMMARY OF COLLECTION:* To determine the individual and household barriers faced by SNAP participants or any environmental barriers that prevent them from having access to a healthy diet throughout the month; understand the interaction between individual, household, and environmental barriers and determine how, if at all, the individual, household, and environmental barriers can be accounted for in determining SNAP allotments.

*NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION:* The findings will inform methods to design and shape the program to help meet participants' health and nutrition needs. Researchers will be able to further analyze the study data and contribute to the knowledge base regarding SNAP participants' barriers to purchasing and consuming healthy foods.

*DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS:* Individuals/Households

*NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS:* 6,593

*FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES:* Reporting: Annually

*TOTAL BURDEN HOURS:* 3,416

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