

**DEPARTMENT**



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**2026 Unified Agenda**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, USDA.

**ACTION:** Unified regulatory agenda.

**SUMMARY:** This agenda provides summary descriptions of significant and not significant regulations being developed in agencies of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) in conformance with Executive Orders (E.O.) 12866, “Regulatory Planning and Review,” 13563, “Improving Regulation and Regulatory Review,” 14192, “Unleashing Prosperity Through Deregulation,” and 14219, “Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President’s “Department of Government Efficiency” Deregulatory Initiative.” The agenda also describes regulations affecting small entities as required by section 602 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, Public Law 96-354. This agenda also identifies regulatory actions that are being reviewed in compliance with section 610(c) of the Regulatory Flexibility Act. We invite public comment on those actions as well as any regulation consistent with Executive Order 13563.

USDA has attempted to list all regulations and regulatory reviews pending at the time of publication except for minor and routine or repetitive actions, but some may have been inadvertently missed. There is no legal significance to the omission of an item from this listing. Also, the dates shown for the steps of each action are estimated and are not commitments to act on or by the date shown.

USDA’s complete regulatory agenda is available online at [www.reginfo.gov](http://www.reginfo.gov). Because publication in the **Federal Register** is mandated for the regulatory flexibility agendas required by the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 602), USDA’s printed agenda entries include only:

(1) Rules that are likely to have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities; and

2) Rules identified for periodic review under section 610 of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

For this edition of the USDA regulatory agenda, the most important regulatory actions are summarized in a Statement of Regulatory Priorities that is included in the Regulatory Plan, which appears in both the online regulatory agenda and in part II of the **Federal Register** that includes the abbreviated regulatory agenda.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information on any specific entry shown in this agenda, please contact the person listed for that action. For general comments or inquiries about the agenda, please contact Mr. Michael Poe, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, DC 20250, (202) 769-8247.

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#### Agricultural Marketing Service—Proposed Rule Stage

| Sequence Number | Title                                                                                                           | Regulation Identifier Number |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 169             | Olive Oil Promotion, Research, and Information Order                                                            | 0581–AE33                    |
| 170             | Inclusive Competition and Market Integrity Under the Packers and Stockyards Act - Rescission (AMS-FTPP-25-0014) | 0581–AE49                    |
| 171             | Transparency in Poultry Grower Contracting and Tournaments - Rescission (AMS-FTPP-25-0015)                      | 0581–AE50                    |
| 172             | Poultry Grower Payment Systems and Capital Improvement Systems - Rescission (AMS-FTPP-22-0046)                  | 0581–AE51                    |
| 173             | National Bioengineered Food Disclosure Standard—Court Remand                                                    | 0581–AE52                    |

### Agricultural Marketing Service—Long-Term Actions

| Sequence Number | Title                                                                                                | Regulation Identifier Number |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 174             | Rescinding National Organic Program; Market Development for Mushrooms and Pet Food (AMS-NOP-22-0063) | 0581–AE13                    |

### Farm Service Agency—Prerule Stage

| Sequence Number | Title                                                                               | Regulation Identifier Number |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 175             | Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act: Revisions to Reporting Requirements | 0560–AI70                    |

### Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service—Proposed Rule Stage

| Sequence Number | Title                          | Regulation Identifier Number |
|-----------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 176             | Horse Protection Act Revisions | 0579–AE93                    |

### Food and Nutrition Administration—Proposed Rule Stage

| Sequence Number | Title                                                                                                                                     | Regulation Identifier Number |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 177             | Strengthening Integrity and Reducing Retailer Fraud in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) ( <b>Reg Plan Seq No. 3</b> ) | 0584–AE71                    |

References in boldface appear in The Regulatory Plan in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

## Food and Nutrition Administration—Final Rule Stage

| Sequence Number | Title                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Regulation Identifier Number |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 178             | Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC): WIC Online Ordering and Transactions and Food Delivery Revisions to Meet the Needs of a Modern, Data-Driven Program <b>(Reg Plan Seq No. 12)</b> | 0584–AE85                    |
| 179             | Updated Staple Food Stocking Standards for Retailers in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program <b>(Reg Plan Seq No. 13)</b>                                                                                             | 0584–AF12                    |

References in boldface appear in The Regulatory Plan in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

## Food Safety and Inspection Service—Prerule Stage

| Sequence Number | Title                                   | Regulation Identifier Number |
|-----------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 180             | Revising Establishment Size Definitions | 0583–AE09                    |

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| <b>Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b>     | <b>Proposed Rule Stage</b> |
| <b>Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)</b> |                            |

### 169. OLIVE OIL PROMOTION, RESEARCH, AND INFORMATION ORDER

**Legal Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 7411 to 7425

**Abstract:** The proposed Olive Oil Promotion, Research, and Information Order (Order) would establish an effective and coordinated program of research, promotion, and information for the olive oil industry. Currently, no organization in the olive oil industry has the resources or funds to develop and disseminate the information and marketing promotions needed to increase awareness and to counter inaccurate or misleading information about olive oil among U.S. consumers, health and culinary professionals, and the

media. Under the proposed Order, domestic first handlers and importers who handle or import over 5,000 gallons annually of olive oil would pay \$0.08 per gallon. It is estimated the program would collect more than \$8 million annually in assessments to carry out the program administered by the Cooperative for Olive Oil Promotion.

**Timetable:**

| Action     | Date     | FR Cite |
|------------|----------|---------|
| NPRM       | 07/00/26 |         |
| Final Rule | 08/00/26 |         |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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**170. • INCLUSIVE COMPETITION AND MARKET INTEGRITY UNDER THE PACKERS AND STOCKYARDS ACT – RESCISSION (AMS-FTPP-25-0014)**

**Legal Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 181 to 229c

**Relevant Executive Orders:** 14337; 14192; 14219

**Abstract:** The proposed rule would request comment on the removal of the regulations published on March 6, 2024, 89 FR 16092, in the final rule titled, Inclusive Competition and Market Integrity Under the Packers and Stockyards Act. The rule added a new subpart O, Competition and Market Integrity, to 9 CFR part 201 of the Agency's regulations to prohibit undue prejudice and unjust discrimination and certain retaliatory and deceptive practices under the Packers and Stockyards Act.

**Timetable:**

| Action | Date     | FR Cite |
|--------|----------|---------|
| NPRM   | 07/00/26 |         |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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**171. • TRANSPARENCY IN POULTRY GROWER CONTRACTING AND TOURNAMENTS –  
RESCISSION (AMS–FTPP–25–0015)**

**Legal Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 181 to 229c

**Relevant Executive Orders:** 14337; 14192; 14219

**Abstract:** The proposed rule would request comment on the removal of the regulations published on November 28, 2023, 88 FR 83210, in the final rule titled, Transparency in Poultry Grower Contracting and Tournaments. The final rule amended the Agency's regulations under the Packers and Stockyards Act to add disclosures and information that live poultry dealers engaged in the production of broilers must furnish to poultry growers with whom dealers make poultry growing arrangements. The rule also established additional disclosure requirements for live poultry dealers engaged in the production of broilers who use poultry ranking systems to determine settlement payments for broiler growers.

**Timetable:**

| Action | Date     | FR Cite |
|--------|----------|---------|
| NPRM   | 10/00/26 |         |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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**172. • POULTRY GROWER PAYMENT SYSTEMS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT SYSTEMS –  
RESCISSION (AMS–FTPP–22–0046)**

**Legal Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 181 et seq.192

**Relevant Executive Orders:** 14337; 14192; 14219

**Abstract:** This proposed rule would withdraw the final rule published Jan. 16, 2025, 90 FR 5146, with an effective date of July 1, 2026. This action amended regulations to address certain problematic practices related to poultry grower payment systems and capital improvement programs such as: payment disparities and reductions that are unconnected to commoditized flock performance, and transparency concerns related to additional capital investments in poultry production facilities and equipment. The rule is being withdrawn through the notice and comment process.

**Timetable:**

| Action | Date     | FR Cite |
|--------|----------|---------|
| NPRM   | 07/00/26 |         |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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### 173. • NATIONAL BIOENGINEERED FOOD DISCLOSURE STANDARD—COURT REMAND

**Legal Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 1621 et. seq.

**Abstract:** Based on the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals (Natural Grocers et al. v. Rollins) October 31, 2025, decision, the USDA Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) proposes to address deficiencies from its December 21, 2018, final rule (83 FR 65814). On July 29, 2016, Public Law 114-216 amended the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1621 et seq.) to require USDA to establish a national, mandatory standard for disclosing any food that is or may be bioengineered (BE).

**Timetable:**

| Action | Date     | FR Cite |
|--------|----------|---------|
| NPRM   | 08/00/26 |         |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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| <b>Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b>     | <b>Long-Term Actions</b> |
| <b>Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS)</b> |                          |

**174. RESCINDING NATIONAL ORGANIC PROGRAM; MARKET DEVELOPMENT FOR MUSHROOMS AND PET FOOD (AMS–NOP–22–0063)**

**Legal Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 6501

**Abstract:** This action would rescind the rule and regulations issued on December 23, 2024, titled, "National Organic Program; Market Development for Mushrooms and Pet Food." Amendments made to the USDA organic regulations were intended to clarify production and handling requirements for a) organic pet food standards and b) organic mushrooms.

**Timetable:**

| <b>Action</b>                                  | <b>Date</b> | <b>FR Cite</b> |
|------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| NPRM                                           | 03/11/24    | 89 FR 17322    |
| NPRM Comment Period End                        | 05/10/24    |                |
| Final Rule                                     | 12/23/24    | 89 FR 104367   |
| Final Rule Effective                           | 03/21/25    | 90 FR 9187     |
| Proposed Rule—Rescission                       | 05/12/25    | 90 FR 20133    |
| Proposed Rule—Rescission Comment Period<br>End | 06/11/25    |                |
| Final Rule                                     | To Be       | Determined     |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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| <b>Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b> | <b>Prerule Stage</b> |
| <b>Farm Service Agency (FSA)</b>        |                      |

## **175. AGRICULTURAL FOREIGN INVESTMENT DISCLOSURE ACT: REVISIONS TO REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

**Legal Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 3501–3508

**Abstract:** USDA is requesting public input via an ANPR on how foreign entities report agricultural land holdings in the United States through the Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA). As part of implementing the National Farm Security Action Plan, USDA will consider comments for how it strengthens and protects American farmland, using this ANPR as a critical vehicle. The ANPR will be followed by a proposed rule and final rule. The AFIDA rule was last updated in 2006. Numerous aspects of 7 CFR part 781 are being addressed to propose much needed updates to an old regulation.

### **Timetable:**

| <b>Action</b>            | <b>Date</b> | <b>FR Cite</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| ANPRM                    | 12/29/25    | 90 FR 60581    |
| ANPRM Comment Period End | 01/28/26    |                |
| NPRM                     | 07/00/26    |                |
| Final Action             | 12/00/26    |                |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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| <b>Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b>                       | <b>Proposed Rule Stage</b> |
| <b>Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service<br/>(APHIS)</b> |                            |

#### **176. • HORSE PROTECTION ACT REVISIONS**

**Legal Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 1823 et seq

**Relevant Executive Orders:** 13563; 13771; 14148; 14267

**Abstract:** USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is proposing to revise the regulations implementing the Horse Protection Act regulations to ensure that they reflect the best reading of the statute and meets other affirmative legal obligations upon the Agency. Contemplated changes include requiring inspection by APHIS veterinarians prior to a finding of soring; establishment of a pre-show appeals process for findings of soring; and clarification that disqualifications are class-specific rather than for the duration of an event.

#### **Timetable:**

| <b>Action</b>           | <b>Date</b> | <b>FR Cite</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------------|
| NPRM                    | 07/00/26    |                |
| NPRM Comment Period End | 09/00/26    |                |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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| <b>Department of Agriculture (USDA)</b>        | <b>Proposed Rule Stage</b> |
| <b>Food and Nutrition Administration (FNA)</b> |                            |

#### **177. STRENGTHENING INTEGRITY AND REDUCING RETAILER FRAUD IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP)**

**Regulatory Plan:** This entry is Seq. No. 3 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

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| Department of Agriculture (USDA)        | Final Rule Stage |
| Food and Nutrition Administration (FNA) |                  |

**178. SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC): WIC ONLINE ORDERING AND TRANSACTIONS AND FOOD DELIVERY REVISIONS TO MEET THE NEEDS OF A MODERN, DATA-DRIVEN PROGRAM**

**Regulatory Plan:** This entry is Seq. No. 12 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

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**179. UPDATED STAPLE FOOD STOCKING STANDARDS FOR RETAILERS IN THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

**Regulatory Plan:** This entry is Seq. No. 13 in part II of this issue of the **Federal Register**.

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| Department of Agriculture (USDA)          | Prerule Stage |
| Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) |               |

**180. • REVISING ESTABLISHMENT SIZE DEFINITIONS**

**Legal Authority:** 21 U.S.C. 601 et seq.; 21 U.S.C. 451 et seq.; 21 U.S.C. 1031 et seq.

**Abstract:** USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is considering revising how it defines establishment sizes. Since 1996, FSIS has used Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) size categories, which are based on employee count and annual sales, to analyze the impact of regulations and tailor assistance to small entities. More recently, FSIS has also applied volume-based thresholds to categorize establishments to analyze the impact of regulations and for sample assignments. This advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) requests stakeholder input on whether FSIS should update its establishment size definitions and, if so, how.

**Timetable:**

| Action                   | Date     | FR Cite     |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------|
| ANPRM                    | 03/24/26 | 91 FR 13979 |
| ANPRM Comment Period End | 05/26/26 |             |

**Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required:** Yes

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