

disagrees for the reasons stated earlier in this rule and in the proposed rule.

Based on the above, the Administrator of the AMS has determined that the issuance of this final rule will not have a significant economic effect on a substantial number of small entities.

After consideration of all relevant matter presented, the information and recommendations submitted by the Board, and other available information, it is found that this final rule will tend to effectuate the declared policy of the Act.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553, it is also found and determined that good cause exists for not postponing the effective date of this action until 30 days after publication in the *Federal Register* because: (1) Handlers are already disposing of their reserve almonds; and (2) Handlers, buyers, and producers should know as soon as possible the minimum prices which are in effect.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 981

Almonds, Marketing agreements, Nuts, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, 7 CFR part 981 is amended as follows:

PART 981—ALMONDS GROWN IN CALIFORNIA

1. The authority citation for 7 CFR part 981 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 1-19, 48 Stat. 31, as amended; 7 U.S.C. 601-674.

2. Section 981.467 is amended by adding a new paragraph (c) to read as follows:

§ 981.467 Disposition in reserve outlets by handlers.

(c) *Minimum prices.* Minimum prices shall apply to 1990-91 crop year reserve almonds diverted to almond butter, natural almond paste, foil packets for sales to airlines, and sales to government agencies, including federal and state school lunch programs. Prices are F.O.B. handlers plant. The prices may contain a maximum of two percent brokerage commission. No cash discounts are allowed. The prices are as follows for various grades or categories of almonds:

Grade or category	Price per pound
U.S. Select Sheller Run or better, unblanched.	75 cents.
U.S. Standard Sheller Run, unblanched.	74 cents.
U.S. No. 1 Whole and Broken, unblanched.	73 cents.

Grade or category	Price per pound
U.S. No. 1 Pieces, unblanched.	73 cents.
U.S. No. 1 Pieces or better, unblanched, to be used for almond butter manufactured in the 48 contiguous states and shipped to EEC countries.	60 cents.
Blanched made from U.S. No. 1 Pieces or better.	95 cents.
Blanched made from U.S. No. 1 Pieces or better to be used for almond butter manufactured in the 48 contiguous states and shipped to EEC countries.	82 cents.

Dated: March 8, 1991.
Robert C. Keeney,
Deputy Director, Fruit and Vegetable
Division.
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Farmers Home Administration

7 CFR Part 1940

Methodology and Formulas for Allocation of Loan and Grant Program Funds

AGENCY: Farmers Home Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) amends its regulation regarding formula allocation to immediately accommodate the guaranteed Section 502 Housing program, as set forth in section 706 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act. The intended effect of this final rule is to immediately allocate \$100 million in Guaranteed Section 502 Housing program funds for Fiscal Year 1991, to twenty FmHA States selected for program implementation testing.

Therefore, the final rule is issued on an emergency basis by the Agency to comply with Congressional mandates and time frames established for the successful implementation of the Section 502 Guaranteed Housing program in Fiscal Year 1991.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 13, 1991.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Neal A. Hayes, Jr., Senior Loan Officer, Home Ownership Branch, Single Family Housing Processing Division, FmHA, USDA, room 5344, South Agriculture Building, Washington, DC 20250, Telephone: (202) 382-1488.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action has been reviewed under USDA procedures established in Departmental Regulation 1512-1 which implements Executive Order 12291, and has been

determined to be exempt from those requirements because it involves only internal agency management. Section 534 of the Housing Act of 1949 requires that all rules and regulations issued pursuant to that Act must be published for public comment. The one noted exception is for a rule or regulation issued on an emergency basis. This action is not published for proposed rule making since it involves an emergency situation because there is not enough time to go through the proposed rulemaking process and still be able to allocate the \$100 million appropriated for use in fiscal year 1991 so that a viable guaranteed rural Housing demonstration program would function this fiscal year.

Environmental Impact Statement

This document has been reviewed in accordance with 7 CFR part 1940, subpart G, "Environmental Program." It is the determination of FmHA that this action does not constitute a major Federal Action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment, and in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Public Law 91-190, an Environmental Impact Statement is not required.

Intergovernmental Consultation

For the reason set forth in the final rule related Notice to 7 CFR part 3015, subpart V, 48 FR 29115, June 24, 1983, this program/activity is excluded from the scope of Executive Order 12372 which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and local officials.

Programs Affected

This program is listed in the catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance under 10.429, Guaranteed Rural Housing Loans—Demonstration Program.

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 1940

Administrative practice and procedure, Agriculture, Allocations, Grant programs, Housing and community development, Loan programs—Agriculture and rural areas.

Therefore, part 1940, chapter XVIII, title 7, Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 1940—GENERAL

1. The authority citation for part 1940 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1989; 42 U.S.C. 1480; 5 U.S.C. 301; 7 CFR 2.23; 7 CFR 2.70

Subpart L—Methodology and Formulas for Allocation of Loan and Grant Program Funds

2. Sections 1940.563 and 1940.564 are added to subpart L of part 1940 to read as follows:

§ 1940.563 Section 502 non-subsidized guaranteed Rural Housing (RH) loans.

(a) *Amount available for allocations.* See § 1940.552(a) of this subpart.

(b) *Basic formula criteria, data source and weight.* See § 1940.552 (b) of this subpart. The criteria used in the basic formula are:

(1) State's percentage of the National number of rural occupied substandard units,

(2) State's percentage of the National rural population in places of less than 2,500 population,

(3) State's percentage of the national number of rural households between 80 and 100 percent of the area median income, and

(4) State's percentage of the national number of rural renter households paying more than 35 percent of income for rent.

Data source for each of these criteria is based on the latest census data available. Each criterion is assigned a specific weight according to its relevance in determining need. The percentage representing each criterion is multiplied by the weight factor and summed to arrive at a basic State factor (SF) as follows:

$$SF = (\text{criterion 1} \times \text{weight of 30\%}) + (\text{criterion 2} \times \text{weight of 10\%}) + (\text{criterion 3} \times \text{weight of 30\%}) + (\text{criterion 4} \times \text{weight of 30\%})$$

(c) *Basic formula allocation.* See § 1940.552(c) of this subpart.

(d) *Transition formula.* See § 1940.552(d) of this subpart. The percentage range used for Section 502 guaranteed RH loans is plus or minus 15.

(e) *Base allocation.* See § 1940.552(e) of this subpart. Jurisdictions receiving administrative allocations do not receive base allocations.

(f) *Administrative allocations.* See § 1940.552(f) of this subpart. Jurisdictions receiving formula allocations do not receive administrative allocations.

(g) *Reserve.* See § 1940.552(g) of this subpart.

(h) *Pooling of funds.* See § 1940.552(h) of this subpart.

(1) Mid-year: If used in a particular fiscal year, available funds unobligated as of the pooling date are pooled and redistributed based on the formula used to allocate funds initially.

(2) Year-end: Pooled funds are placed in a National Office reserve and are

available as determined administratively.

(i) *Availability of the allocation.* See § 1940.552(i) of this subpart.

(j) *Suballocation by the State Director.* See § 1940.552(j) of this subpart. Annually, the Administrator will advise State Director's whether or not suballocation within the State Office jurisdiction will be required for the guaranteed Housing program.

(k) *Other documentation.* Not applicable.

§ 1940.564 Section 502 subsidized guaranteed Rural Housing loans.

(a) *Amount available for allocations.* See § 1940.552(a) of this subpart.

(b) *Basic formula criteria, data source and weight.* See § 1940.552(b) of this subpart. The criteria used in the basic formula are:

(1) State's percentage of the National number of rural occupied substandard units,

(2) State's percentage of the National rural population in places of less than 2,500 population,

(3) State's percentage of the national number of rural households below 80 percent of the area median income, and

(4) State's percentage of the national number of rural renter households paying more than 35 percent of income for rent.

Data source for each of these criteria is based on the latest census data available. Each criterion is assigned a specific weight according to its relevance in determining need. The percentage representing each criterion is multiplied by the weight factor and summed to arrive at a basic State factor (SF) as follows:

$$SF = (\text{criterion 1} \times \text{weight of 30\%}) + (\text{criterion 2} \times \text{weight of 10\%}) + (\text{criterion 3} \times \text{weight of 30\%}) + (\text{criterion 4} \times \text{weight of 30\%})$$

(c) *Basic formula allocation.* See § 1940.552(c) of this subpart.

(d) *Transition formula.* See § 1940.552(d) of this subpart. The percentage range used for section 502 guaranteed RH loans is plus or minus 15.

(e) *Base allocation.* See § 1940.552(e) of this subpart. Jurisdictions receiving administrative allocations do not receive base allocations.

(f) *Administrative allocations.* See § 1940.552(f) of this subpart. Jurisdictions receiving formula allocations do not receive administrative allocations.

(g) *Reserve.* See § 1940.552(g) of this subpart.

(h) *Pooling of funds.* See § 1940.552(h) of this subpart.

(1) Mid-year: If used in a particular fiscal year, available funds unobligated

as of the pooling date are pooled and redistributed based on the formula used to allocate funds initially.

(2) Year-end: Pooled funds are placed in a National Office reserve and are available as determined administratively.

(i) *Availability of the allocation.* See § 1940.552(i) of this subpart.

(j) *Suballocation by the State Director.* See § 1940.552(j) of this subpart. Annually, the Administrator will advise State Director's whether or not suballocation within the State Office jurisdiction will be required for the guaranteed Housing program.

(k) *Other documentation.* Not applicable.

Dated: February 12, 1991.

Laverne Ausman,
Administrator, Farmers Home
Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of the Attorney General

28 CFR Part 0

[Order No. 1479-91]

Delegation of Authority to the Deputy Attorney General and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation

AGENCY: Department of Justice.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This order will amend part 0 of title 28 of the Code of Federal Regulations to delegate to the Deputy Attorney General and the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, certain authority assigned to the Attorney General by section 528 of Public Law 101-509 regarding the use of Federal agency personnel in the investigation and prosecution of fraud or other unlawful activities in or against federally insured financial institutions.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 1, 1991.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ira H. Raphaelson, Acting Special Counsel for Financial Institution Fraud, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530, Telephone: (202) 514-4328.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under section 528(a) of Public Law 101-509, the Attorney General may accept, and federal departments and agencies may provide, the services of attorneys, law enforcement personnel, and other employees of any other departments or agencies of the federal government to assist the Department of Justice, subject

to the supervision of the Attorney General, in the investigation and prosecution of fraud or other criminal or unlawful activity in or against any federally insured financial institution or the Resolution Trust Corporation. Section 528(a)(3) authorizes law enforcement personnel of the United States Secret Service, subject to the Attorney General's supervision, to conduct or perform any kind of civil or criminal investigation which Department of Justice law enforcement personnel are authorized by law to conduct or perform related to criminal or unlawful activity in or against any federally insured financial institution or the Resolution Trust Corporation.

This order delegates to the Deputy Attorney General the Attorney General's authority under section 528(a) to accept the services of attorneys and non-law enforcement employees and to supervise such personnel in the performance of any investigation and prosecution described in that section. In addition, the order delegates to the Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Attorney General's authority under section 528(a) to accept the services of law enforcement personnel and to coordinate the activities of such law enforcement personnel in the performance of any investigation and prosecution described in that section.

This order is a matter of internal Department management. It does not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. 5 U.S.C. 605(b). It is not a major rule within the meaning of or subject to Executive Order No. 12291.

List of Subjects in 28 CFR Part 0

Authority delegations (Government agencies), Government employees, Organization and functions (Government agencies), Whistleblowing.

Accordingly, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Attorney General by 5 U.S.C. 301 and 28 U.S.C. 509, 510, part 0 of title 28 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for part 0 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301, 2303, 3103; 8 U.S.C. 1103, 1324A, 1427(g); 15 U.S.C. 644(k); 18 U.S.C. 2254, 3621, 3622, 4001, 4041, 4042, 4044, 4082, 4201 *et seq.*, 6003(b); 21 U.S.C. 871, 878(a), 881(d), 904; 22 U.S.C. 263a, 1621-1645o, 1622 note; 28 U.S.C. 509, 510, 515, 516, 519, 524, 543, 552, 552a, 569; 31 U.S.C. 1108, 3801 *et seq.*, 50 U.S.C. App. 1989b, 2001-2017p; Public Law 91-513, sec. 501; EO 11919; EO 11267; EO 11300; Public Law 101-203.

2. Section 0.15 is amended by adding paragraph (g) to read as follows:

§ 0.15 Deputy Attorney General.

(g) The Deputy Attorney General is authorized to exercise the authority vested in the Attorney General under section 528(a), Public Law 101-509, to accept from federal departments and agencies the services of attorneys and non-law enforcement personnel to assist the Department of Justice in the investigation and prosecution of fraud or other criminal or unlawful activity in or against any federally insured financial institution or the Resolution Trust Corporation, and to supervise such personnel in the conduct of such investigations and prosecutions.

3. Section 0.85 is amended by adding paragraph (n) to read as follows:

§ 0.85 General functions.

(n) Exercise the authority vested in the Attorney General under section 528(a), Public Law 101-509, to accept from federal departments and agencies the services of law enforcement personnel to assist the Department of Justice in the investigation and prosecution of fraud or other criminal or unlawful activity in or against any federally insured financial institution or the Resolution Trust Corporation, and to coordinate the activities of such law enforcement personnel in the conduct of such investigations and prosecutions.

Dated: March 1, 1991.

Dick Thornburgh,
Attorney General.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Minerals Management Service

30 CFR Part 228

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Removal of Federal Funding Limitation for State and Indian Cooperative Agreements

AGENCY: Minerals Management Service (MMS), Interior.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Minerals Management Service (MMS) is amending its regulations governing the funding of cooperative agreements with States or Indian tribes. The amended regulations will permit the Federal Government to fund up to 100 percent of the costs of eligible activities under a cooperative agreement with a State or Indian tribe.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 12, 1991.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dennis C. Whitcomb, Chief, Rules and Procedures Branch, (303) 231-3432 or (FTS) 326-3432.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The principal author of this final rulemaking is Marvin D. Shaver of the Rules and Procedures Branch, Royalty Management Program, Minerals Management Service, Lakewood, Colorado.

I. Background

Section 202 of the Federal Oil and Gas Royalty Management Act of 1982 (FOGRMA), 30 U.S.C. 1732, authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to enter into a cooperative agreement with any State or Indian tribe to share oil or gas royalty management information, to carry out inspection, auditing, investigation, or enforcement (not including the collection of royalties, civil or criminal penalties or other payments) activities under FOGRMA and to carry out other activities described in section 108 of FOGRMA. The MMS's implementing regulations at 30 CFR part 228 provide that the Federal share of funding of such activities is limited to not more than 50 percent of the cost of eligible activities as established under the terms of the cooperative agreement.

In February 1988, the Special Committee on Investigations of the U.S. Senate Select Committee on Indian Affairs (Select Committee) initiated a comprehensive investigation into the Federal Government's relationship with American Indians. On May 12, 1989, MMS representatives testified before the Committee that MMS was committed to work to improve services to the Indian community. To fulfill that commitment, the MMS Director created a task force to evaluate the Committee's concerns and develop an improvement plan. The MMS task force, with input from State and tribal auditors, Indian tribes and allottees, and MMS royalty management personnel, identified several initiatives to improve services to the Indian community. One of these initiatives was to remove the 50-percent Federal funding limitation on cooperative agreements provided for in 30 CFR 228.105 and 228.107. The task force recommended that the funding for Indian cooperative agreements should be the same as delegated agreements with States pursuant to section 205 of FOGRMA, 30 U.S.C. 1735, which are reimbursed at 100 percent, to provide equity for all groups.

In July 1989, MMS requested formal review of the proposed improvements by the Department of the Interior's Royalty Management Advisory