

List of Subjects in 7 CFR Part 927

Marketing agreements, Pears,
Reporting and recordkeeping
requirements.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 601–674.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Agricultural Marketing Service****7 CFR Part 956**

[Docket No. FV02–956–1 PR]

**Sweet Onions Grown in the Walla
Walla Valley of Southeast Washington
and Northeast Oregon; Withdrawal of a
Proposed Rule**

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service,
USDA.

ACTION: Withdrawal of proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This action withdraws a proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on July 22, 2002 (67 FR 47741), and reopened for further comments on November 1, 2002 (67 FR 66578), on the establishment of grade and inspection requirements for Walla Walla sweet onions. The order regulates the handling of sweet onions grown in the Walla Walla Valley of Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon and is administered locally by the Walla Walla Sweet Onion Marketing Committee (Committee). The Committee met on November 21, 2002, and unanimously recommended changes to its original recommendation. The administrative record raises questions as to the nature and purpose of the proposal and possible alternatives. Therefore, the proposed rule is being withdrawn for further consideration by the Committee.

DATES: Effective April 1, 2003.

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Small businesses may request information on complying with this

regulation by contacting Jay Guerber, Marketing Order Administration Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, AMS, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., STOP 0237, Washington, DC 20250–0237; telephone: (202) 720–2491, Fax: (202) 720–8938, or E-mail: Jay.Guerber@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Marketing Agreement and Order No. 956, both as amended (7 CFR part 956), regulate the handling of Walla Walla sweet onions grown in Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon, hereinafter referred to as the “order.” The order is effective under the Agricultural Marketing Agreement Act of 1937, as amended (7 U.S.C. 601–674), hereinafter referred to as the “Act.”

This action withdraws a proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on July 22, 2002 (67 FR 47741), and reopened for further comments on November 1, 2002 (67 FR 66578), on the establishment of grade and inspection requirements for Walla Walla sweet onions. Specifically, the proposed rule would have required all Walla Walla sweet onions handled prior to June 10 of each marketing season to be inspected and be at least U.S. Commercial grade. In addition, the Committee would have funded the total cost of all required inspections. The primary intent behind the proposal was to help ensure the maturity and marketability of early season sweet onions. A secondary goal was to help prevent onions from other production areas from being mislabeled and marketed as Walla Walla sweet onions.

During the initial comment period, July 22 through September 20, the Department of Agriculture (USDA) received one timely comment. This comment, which may be reviewed on the Internet at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/modockets/956%20comments/2002onions.htm>, raised several questions regarding the proposal. To facilitate further public review of the proposed rule, USDA reopened the comment period from November 1 through November 22, 2002.

During the reopened comment period, the Committee met and unanimously recommended early mandatory inspections on Walla Walla sweet onions, but prior to June 1 of each year rather than June 10 as originally recommended. The Committee believes that a requirement for valid inspection certificates on all lots of Walla Walla sweet onions being shipped prior to June 1 would enhance compliance efforts in the prevention of the

misrepresentation and mislabeling of onions.

The administrative record raises questions as to the nature and purpose of the proposal and possible alternatives. Therefore, the proposed rule is being withdrawn for further consideration by the Committee.

The proposed rule regarding the establishment of grade and inspection requirements for sweet onions grown in the Walla Walla Valley of Southeast Washington and Northeast Oregon published in the **Federal Register** July 22, 2002, (67 FR 47741) is hereby withdrawn.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**Federal Aviation Administration****14 CFR Part 71**

[Docket No. FAA–2003–14644; Airspace
Docket No. 03–AGL–01]

**Proposed Modification of Class E
Airspace; Kenton, OH; Proposed
Rescission of Class E Airspace;
Bellefontaine, OH**

AGENCY: Federal Aviation
Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: This document proposes to modify Class E airspace at Kenton, OH, and rescind Class E airspace at Bellefontaine, OH. Standard Instrument Approach Procedures (SIAPs) have been developed for a new airport at Bellefontaine, OH, which has been named Bellefontaine Regional Airport. Controlled airspace extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth is needed to contain aircraft executing these approaches. This action would modify the existing controlled airspace for Hardin County Airport and rescind the existing controlled airspace for the old Bellefontaine Municipal Airport.

DATES: Comment must be received on or before May 29, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send comments on the proposal to the Docket Management