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Regulatory Analyses and Notices

Paperwork Reduction Act

We propose no requirement to collect information. Therefore, the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3507, and its implementing regulations, 5 CFR part 1320, do not apply.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

We certify that this proposed regulation, if adopted, will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. This proposed regulation imposes no new reporting, recordkeeping, or other administrative requirement. Any benefit derived from the use of a viticultural area name is the result of a proprietor's efforts and consumer acceptance of wines from that area. Therefore, no regulatory flexibility analysis is required.

Executive Order 12866

This proposed rule is not a significant regulatory action as defined by Executive Order 12866, 58 FR 51735. Therefore, it requires no regulatory assessment.

Drafting Information

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List of Subjects in 27 CFR Part 9

Wine.

Authority and Issuance

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, we propose to amend Title 27, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 9, American Viticultural Areas, as follows:

PART 9—AMERICAN VITICULTURAL AREAS

1. The authority citation for part 9 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 27 U.S.C. 205.

2. Subpart C is amended by adding § 9.____ to read as follows:

Subpart C—Approved American Viticultural Areas

§ 9.____ McMinnville.

(a) *Name.* The name of the viticultural area described in this section is "McMinnville".

(b) *Approved Maps.* The appropriate maps for determining the boundaries of the McMinnville viticultural area are five United States Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps, scale 1:24,000:

- (1) McMinnville, OR, 1957, photorevised 1970;
- (2) Muddy Valley, OR, 1979;
- (3) Stony Mountain, OR, 1979;
- (4) Sheridan, OR, 1956, photorevised 1970; and
- (5) Ballston, OR, 1956, photorevised 1970.

(c) *Boundary.* The McMinnville viticultural area is located in Yamhill County, Oregon, and is entirely within the Willamette Valley viticultural area (27 CFR 9.90). Within the boundary description that follows, the McMinnville viticultural area encompasses only that land at and between the 200 foot and 800 foot elevation lines.

(1) From the point of beginning on the McMinnville, OR map in section 18, T.4.S, R.4.W, at the intersection of Baker Creek Road and Hill Road, follow Baker Creek Road west to its intersection with Power Plant Hill Road (known locally as Power House Hill Road) on the Muddy Valley map;

(2) Then proceed southwest on Power Plant Hill Road to its intersection with Peavine Road;

(3) Follow Peavine Road northwest to its intersection with Gill Creek;

(4) Follow Gill Creek in a southwesterly direction to its

intersection with the 800-foot contour line in section 18, T.4.S., R.5.W, on the Muddy Valley map;

(5) Starting on the west bank of Gill Creek, follow the meandering 800-foot contour line in a westerly direction, crossing Gopher Valley Road in section 14, T.4.S., R.6.W. on the Stony Mountain map, and continue to follow the 800-foot contour line as it meanders back and forth four times between the Stony Mountain map and the Muddy Valley map in section 24, T.4.S., R.6.W.;

(6) Continue to follow the meandering 800-foot contour line in a southwesterly direction, crossing Rock Creek Road in section 27, T.4.S., R.6.W. on the Stony Mountain map, to the 800-foot contour line's intersection with Rock Creek Road in section 46, T.5.S, R.6.W., on the Stony Mountain map;

(7) Then follow Rock Creek Road south to its intersection with the Salmon River Highway on the Sheridan map;

(8) Follow the Salmon River Highway east through the village of Sheridan and then northeast through the Ballston map, to its intersection with Oldsville Road on the Muddy Valley map;

(9) Follow Oldsville Road northeast to its intersection with McCabe Chapel Road (unnamed on the map);

(10) Follow McCabe Chapel Road west then north to its intersection with Masonville Road;

(11) Follow Masonville Road east to its intersection with Old Sheridan Road on the McMinnville map;

(12) Follow Old Sheridan Road northeast to its intersection with Peavine Road;

(13) Follow Peavine Road northwest for approximately 800 feet to its intersection with Hill Road; and

(14) Follow Hill Road north to its intersection with Baker Creek Road and the beginning point.

Signed: June 19, 2003.

John J. Manfreda,
Acting Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau

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Proposed Columbia Gorge Viticultural Area (2002R-103P)

AGENCY: Alcohol and Tobacco Tax and Trade Bureau (TTB), Treasury.