

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service****Forest Service Manual 2420, "Timber Appraisal," Forest Service Handbook 2409.19, "Renewable Resources," Chapters 10, 20, 30, 60 and 80**

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability for public comment.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), United States Forest Service (Forest Service), is revising directives related to timber appraisal and renewable resources.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by February 16, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically to <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?project=ORMS-2747>. Written comments may be mailed to Dave Wilson, Acting Assistant Director, Forest Management, Range and Vegetation Ecology, 201 14th Street SW, Washington, DC 20024. All timely received comments, including names and addresses, will be placed in the record and will be available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/ReadingRoom?project=ORMS-2747>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dave Wilson, Acting Assistant Director, Forest Management, Range and Vegetation Ecology, at 202-578-9916 or by electronic mail to david.wilson@usda.gov. Individuals using telecommunication devices for the deaf may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed directives reorganize and eliminate redundant policies and procedures, delete obsolete references and update agency policies and procedures to reflect new authorities and timber management practices that have been implemented since previous revisions to the directives were made available. An analysis of existing agency policy in Forest Service Handbooks and Manuals was conducted to identify revisions needed to support this initiative.

The proposed directives update Forest Service Manual 2420, "Timber Appraisal", Forest Service Handbook 2409.19, "Renewable Resources" Chapters 10, 20, 30, 60 and add a new Chapter 80 "Good Neighbor Authority"

in Forest Service Handbook 2409.19, "Renewable Resources". These directives set forth policy, responsibilities, and direction for several aspects of management and implement the agency's goal of providing more current direction.

The Forest Service has determined that the changes to the manual and handbook formulate standards, criteria, or guidelines applicable to a Forest Service program and are therefore publishing the proposed manual and handbook for public comment in accordance with 36 CFR part 216. The Forest Service is seeking public comment on the proposed directives, including the sufficiency of the proposed directives in meeting the stated objectives, ways to enhance the utility and clarity of information within the direction, or ways to streamline processes outlined.

Forest Service National Environmental Policy Act procedures exclude from documentation in an environmental assessment or impact statement "rules, regulations, or policies to establish service wide administrative procedures, program processes, or instructions." 36 CFR 220.6(d)(2). The Agency's conclusion is that these proposed directives fall within this category of actions and that no extraordinary circumstances exist as currently defined that require preparation of an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement.

After the public comment period closes, the Forest Service will consider timely comments that are within the scope of the proposed directive in the development of the final directive. A notice of the final directive, including a response to timely comments, will be posted on the Forest Service's web page at <https://www.fs.fed.us/about-agency/regulations-policies/comment-on-directives>.

Tina Johna Terrell,

Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Forest Service****Forest Service Manual 2200, Chapters Zero, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 70; Forest Service Handbook 2209.13, Chapters 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90; and Forest Service Handbook 2209.16, Chapter 10; Rangeland Management; Public Notice and Comment for Changes to Forest Service Directives**

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Issuance of proposed directives; notice of availability for public comment.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), United States Forest Service (Forest Service), is publishing for public comment proposed revisions to directives governing rangeland management, grazing permit administration, and grazing allotment administration.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing by February 16, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted electronically to <https://cara.ecosystem-management.org/Public/CommentInput?project=ORMS-2514>. Written comments may be mailed to U.S. Forest Service, Director, Forest Management, Range Management and Vegetation Ecology, 201 14th Street SW, Washington, DC 20250-1124. All timely received comments, including names and addresses, will be placed in the record and will be available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at <https://cara.ecosystemmanagement.org/Public/ReadingRoom?project=ORMS-2514>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Myra Black, Program Manager, Forest Management, Range Management and Vegetation Ecology, at 202-650-7365, or by electronic mail to myra.black@usda.gov. Individuals using telecommunication devices for the deaf may call the Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The directives proposed for revision are the primary source of administrative direction to Forest Service employees regarding the rangeland management program and have been in place for approximately 30 years. The proposed revisions would make the directives easier to use, current, and consistent with recent legislation. The updates would provide greater management flexibility and would enhance the clarity of policies and procedures

applicable to the rangeland management program.

The proposed directives would update Forest Service Manual 2200, Rangeland Management, Chapters Zero, 10, 20, 30, 40, 50 and 70; Forest Service Handbook (FSH) 2209.13, Grazing Permit Administration, Chapters 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 60, 70, 80 and 90; and FSH 2209.16, Allotment Administration, Chapter 10. Some of the proposed revisions to the directives formulate standards, criteria, or guidelines applicable to the rangeland management program and are therefore subject to public notice and comment per 36 CFR part 216. Other proposed revisions do not require public notice and comment under 36 CFR part 216 because they do not formulate standards, criteria, and guidelines applicable to the rangeland management program. Examples include revisions to conform to recent legislation and clarifying changes such as modifying terminology. These proposed revisions are interspersed throughout the chapters and are not specifically identified in the directives posted on the Agency's website. The Forest Service is publishing all of the proposed revisions for public comment. Forest Service National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) procedures exclude from documentation in an environmental assessment or impact statement "rules, regulations, or policies to establish servicewide administrative procedures, program processes, or instructions." 36 CFR 220.6(d)(2). The Agency's conclusion is that these proposed directives fall within this category of actions and that no extraordinary circumstances exist as currently defined that require preparation of an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement.

The proposed directives and additional information on the proposed directives can be found at <https://www.fs.fed.us/rangeland-management/directives.shtml>. The additional information describes the purpose of the directives and why they are being updated and includes documents that will assist with review of the proposed directives and a schedule of informational webinars on the proposed directives.

After the public comment period closes, the Forest Service will consider timely and relevant comments in the development of the final directives. A notice of the final directives, including a response to timely and relevant comments, will be posted on the Forest Service's web page at <https://www.fs.fed.us/about-agency/>

regulations-policies/comment-on-directives.

Tina Johna Terrell,

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the South Carolina Advisory Committee; Cancellation

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice; cancellation of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Commission on Civil Rights published a notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a meeting of the South Carolina Advisory Committee. The meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 16, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. (EST) is cancelled. The notice is in the **Federal Register** of Tuesday, December 1, 2020, in FR Doc. 2020-26428, on page 77145.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Barbara Delaviez, (202) 618-4158, bdelaviez@usccr.gov.

Dated: December 14, 2020.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Rhode Island Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that the Rhode Island State Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene a meeting on January 13, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (ET). The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the Committee's draft memo on licensing for formerly incarcerated individuals in Rhode Island.

DATES: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. (ET).

ADDRESSES: Public Web Conference Registration Link (video and audio): <https://tinyurl.com/RISACJan13>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mallory Trachtenberg at

mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov or by phone at (202) 809-9618.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is available to the public through the web link above. If joining only via phone, callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing, may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339 and providing the Service with conference details found through registering at the web link above.

Members of the public are entitled to make comments during the open period at the end of the meeting. Members of the public may also submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Regional Programs Unit within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Mallory Trachtenberg at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at (202) 809-9618. Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at www.facadatabase.gov. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's website, www.usccr.gov, or to contact the Regional Programs Unit at the above phone number or email address.

Agenda

Wednesday, January 13, 2021 from 12 p.m. (ET)

- I. Welcome and Roll Call
- II. Announcements and Updates
- III. Approval of Minutes
- IV. Draft Memo Discussion: Licensing for Formerly Incarcerated Individuals in Rhode Island
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Next Steps
- VII. Adjournment

Dated: December 15, 2020.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meetings of the Minnesota Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules