

the **Federal Register**. This is estimated to occur in July of 2011. The Forest Service, in conjunction with Montana State agencies, will hold a public meeting in Libby, Montana, during August or September of 2011. Specific location and time of the meetings will be published in the local newspapers approximately one week prior to the meeting date.

#### **Early Notice of Importance of Public Participation in Subsequent Environmental Review**

The Forest Service believes it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of a draft EIS must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft EIS stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final EIS may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this Proposed Action participate by the close of the 45 day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider and respond to them in the final EIS.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the information in the Supplemental Draft EIS, comments should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the Supplemental Draft EIS. Comments may also address the adequacy of the Supplemental Draft EIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal, and will be available for public inspection.

**Authority:** 40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21.

Dated: June 28, 2011.

**Paul Bradford,**

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## **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

### **Forest Service**

#### **Medbow-Routt Resource Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The MedBow-Routt Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Laramie, Wyoming. The committee is meeting as authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110-343) and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the meeting is to review new project proposals and update RAC members on the progress of previously approved projects.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held July 28, 2011 from 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at Forest Supervisor's Office, 2468 Jackson Street, Laramie, Wyoming. Written comments should be sent to Phil Cruz, RAC DFO, 2468 Jackson Street, Laramie, Wyoming 82070. Comments may also be sent via email to [pcruz@fs.fed.us](mailto:pcruz@fs.fed.us), or via facsimile to 307-745-2467.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2468 Jackson Street, Laramie, Wyoming.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Aaron Voos, RAC Coordinator, 2468 Jackson Street, Laramie, Wyoming 82070, 307-745-2323 or [atvoos@fs.fed.us](mailto:atvoos@fs.fed.us)

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting is open to the public. The following business will be conducted: Review of the status of approved projects; discussion of travel reimbursement, review and discussion of new project proposal and public forum discussion. Persons who wish to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff

before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals who made written requests by July 15, 2011 will have the opportunity to address the Committee at those sessions.

Dated: July 5, 2011.

**Phil Cruz,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

### **Forest Service**

#### **National Forests In Mississippi, Tombigbee and Holly Springs Resource Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Tombigbee and Holly Springs National Forests Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Starkville, MS. The committee is meeting as authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110-343) and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on August 11, 2011, and will begin at 6 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Mississippi State University College of Forest Resources, Tulley Auditorium, Thompson Hall, 775 Stone Blvd., Mississippi State, MS, 39762-9690. Written comments should be sent to Robert Claybrook, Tombigbee National Forest, P.O. Box 912, Ackerman, MS 39735. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to [rclaybrook@fs.fed.us](mailto:rclaybrook@fs.fed.us), or via facsimile to 662-285-3608.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at Tombigbee National Forest, 6052 Hwy 15, South Ackerman, MS 39735. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 662-285-3264 to facilitate entry into the building.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Robert Claybrook, RAC coordinator, USDA, Tombigbee National Forest, P.O. Box 912, Ackerman, MS 39735; (662) 285-3264; e-mail [rclaybrook@fs.fed.us](mailto:rclaybrook@fs.fed.us).

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