

alternative" is required, meaning that management will not change the present condition. Alternatives will provide different ways to address and respond to public issues, management concerns, and resource opportunities identified during the scoping process. Scoping comments and existing condition reports will be used to develop alternatives.

**DATES:** Comments concerning the proposed action should be received in writing by November 9, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to: Upper Blue Stewardship Project, Dillon Ranger District P.O. Box 620, Silverthorne, CO 80498.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peech Keller or Sarah Pearson, at (970) 468-5400. For road and trail questions and concerns, contact Angela Glenn (970) 262-3446.

#### Release and Review of the EIS

The DEIS is expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and to be available for public comment in March 2003. At that time, the EPA will publish a notice of availability for the DEIS in the **Federal Register**. The comment period on the DEIS will be 45 days from the date the EPA publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of the DEIS must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposed 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, 533 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the DEIS stage but are not raised until after completion of the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) may be waived or dismissed by the courts; *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritage, 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 them and respond to them in the FEIS.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed actions, comments on the DEIS should be as

specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the DEIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statements. 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.

After the comment period ends on the DEIS, comments will be analyzed, considered, and responded to by the Forest Service in preparing the Final EIS. The FEIS is scheduled to be completed in June 2003. The responsible official will consider the comments, responses, environmental consequences discussed in the FEIS, and applicable laws, regulations, and policies in making decisions regarding these revisions. The responsible official will document the decisions and reasons for the decisions in a Record of Decision for the revised Plan. The decision will be subject to appeal in accordance with 36 CFR part 217.

#### Responsible Official

Martha J. Ketelle, Forest Supervisor, White River National Forest, P.O. Box 948, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602-0948 "As the Responsible Official, I will decide which, if any, of the proposed projects will be implemented. I will document the decision and reasons for the decision in the Record of Decision. That decision will be subject to Forest Service appeal regulations."

Dated: October 7, 2002.

**Stephen C. Sherwood**,  
Deputy Forest Supervisor, White River  
National Forest.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 8-2002]

##### Foreign-Trade Zone No. 181: Application for Expansion and, Amendment of Application

Notice is hereby given that the application of the Northeast Ohio Trade & Economic Consortium (NEOTEC), grantee of FTZ 181, for authority to expand FTZ 181 in the Akron/Canton, Ohio area (Doc. 8-2002, 67 FR 6679, 2/13/02), has been amended to delete Proposed New Site 6 (43 acres), located within the 143-acre Colorado Industrial

Park, Lorain County. The application otherwise remains unchanged.

Comments on the change may be submitted to the Foreign-Trade-Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB—Suite 4100W, 1401 Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230, by October 30, 2002.

Dated: October 4, 2002.

**Dennis Puccinelli**,

*Executive Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### Bureau of Industry and Security

[Docket No. 021001228-2228-01]

##### National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee Request for Public Comments on the Potential Market Impact of Proposed Stockpile Disposals in FY 2003 and FY 2004

**AGENCY:** U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of inquiry.

**SUMMARY:** This notice is to advise the public that the National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee (co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and State) is seeking public comments on the potential market impact of proposed increases in the disposal levels of excess materials from the National Defense Stockpile under the Fiscal Year 2003 Annual Materials Plan and proposed commodity disposal levels under the Fiscal Year 2004 Annual Materials Plan.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by November 14, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to Richard V. Meyers, Co-Chair, Stockpile Market Impact Committee, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Room 3876, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; FAX (202) 482-5650; e-mail: [rmeyers@bis.doc.gov](mailto:rmeyers@bis.doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The co-chairs of the National Defense Stockpile Market Impact Committee. Contact either Richard V. Meyers, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3634 or Terri L. Robl, Office of International Energy and Commodity Policy, U.S. Department of State, (202) 647-3423.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the authority of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act of 1979, as