under the FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied, the agency will return the submissions and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within ten (10) days.

Dated: February 11, 2002.

M.M. Underwood, Jr.,

Director, Physical Resources, USDA Forest Service Rocky Mountain Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Deschutes Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, Agriculture. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Deschutes Provincial Advisory Committee will meet on March 14, 2002 at the Crook County Library, Broughton Room, 200 E. 2nd Street in Prineville, Oregon. A business meeting will begin at 9:00 am and finish at 4:00 pm. Agenda items will include a discussion on PAC recommendations regarding the Northwest Forest Plan, Empowering Counties/Communities, and update on Timber Sales in Central Oregon, Trout Creek update, an update on the local Noxious Weed Program, an update on the Hosmer, Metolius Basin and the Upper Deschutes Resource Management Plan Subcommittees, Info Sharing and a Public Forum from 3:30 pm till 4:00 pm. All Deschutes Province Advisory Committee Meetings are open to the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Chris Mickle, Province Liaison, USDA, Bend-Ft. Rock Ranger District, 1230 NE., 3rd, Bend, OR, 97701, Phone (541) 383– 4769.

Dated: February 16, 2002.

Leslie A.C. Weldon,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Opal Creek Scenic Recreation Area (SRA) Advisory Council

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: An Opal Creek Scenic Recreation Area Advisory Council meeting will convene in Stayton, Oregon on Monday, March 18, 2002. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m., and will conclude at approximately 8:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the South Room of the Stayton Community Center located on 400 West Virginia Street in Stayton, Oregon.

The Opal Creek Wilderness and Opal Creek Scenic Recreation Area Act of 1996 (Opal Creek Act) (P.L. 104-208) directed the Secretary of Agriculture to establish the Opal Creek Scenic Recreation Area Advisory Council. The Advisory Council is comprised of thirteen members representing state, county and city governments, and representatives of various organizations, which include mining industry, environmental organizations, inholders in Opal Creek Scenic Recreation Area. economic development, Indian tribes, adjacent landowners and recreation interests. The council provides advice to the Secretary of Agriculture on preparation of a comprehensive Opal Creek Management Plan for the SRA, and consults on a periodic and regular basis on the management of the area. Tentative agenda items include the following topics:

Discuss Opal Creek SRA Environmental Analysis decision

Transition of the Council membership in accordance with provisions of the Council Charter

Discuss future topics and meeting schedule for the Council

A direct public comment period is tentatively scheduled to begin at 8 p.m. Time allotted for individual presentations will be limited to 3 minutes. Written comments are encouraged, particularly if the material cannot be presented within the time limits of the comment period. Written comments may be submitted prior to the March 18 meeting by sending them to Designated Federal Official Stephanie Phillips at the address given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more information regarding this meeting, contact Designated Federal Official Stephanie Phillips; Willamette National Forest, Detroit Ranger District, HC 73 Box 320, Mill City, OR 97360; (503) 854–3366.

Dated: February 15, 2002.

Y. Robert Iwamoto,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Siuslaw Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Siuslaw Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on March 8, 2002. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m., in the Hatfield Marine Sciences Center, Room 9, at 2030 SW Marine Sciences Drive, Newport, OR. Agenda item will include: a review of projects submitted by entities other than the Forest Service; a continuation of the review of Forest Service projects that may be recommended to the Forest Supervisor for funding with Title II dollars; consideration of the draft bylaws for the Siuslaw RAC; and, a public comment period. The meeting is expected to adjourn at 4:00 p.m. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda Stanley, Community Development Specialist, Siuslaw National Forest, 541/750–7210 or write to Forest Supervisor, Siuslaw National Forest, P.O. Box 1148, Corvallis, OR 97339.

Dated: February 19, 2002.

Gloria D. Brown,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Madera County Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of Resource Advisory Meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393) the Sierra National Forest's Resource Advisory Committee for Madera County will meet on Monday, March 18, 2002. The Madera Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the Spring Valley Elementary School in O'Neals, CA. The purpose of the meeting is to review Committee ground rules and goals, project evaluation and project list timetables, public involvement strategies, and the project application process.

DATES: The Madera Resource Advisory Committee meeting will be held Monday, February 18, 2002. The meeting will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Madera County RAC meeting will be held at the Spring Valley Elementary School, 46655 Road 200, O'Neals, CA, two and one half miles from State Highway 41.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dave Martin, USDA, Sierra National Forest, 57003 Road 225, North Fork, CA 93643 (559) 877–2218 ext. 3100; e-mail: dmartin05@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Review committee ground rules and goals; (2) review project evaluations and project list timetables; (3) review goals and objectives; (4) discuss public involvement strategies and the application process. The meeting is open to the public. Public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: February 19, 2002.

David W. Martin,

District Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Change to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Delaware

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, Delaware, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed changes in Section IV of the FOTG for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of NRCS in Delaware to issue the following new and revised conservation practice standard in Section IV of the FOTG: Nutrient Management (Code 590).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elesa K. Cottrell, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Suite 101, 1203 College Park Dr., Dover, Delaware 19904–8713, telephone (302) 678–4160. Copies of the practice standard will be made available upon written request.

Notice of Proposed Change to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Delaware.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Delaware will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Delaware regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: February 1, 2002.

Elesa K. Cottrell,

State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Oklahoma

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Oklahoma, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a proposed change in Section IV of the FOTG of the NRCS in Oklahoma for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of NRCS in Oklahoma to issue new and revised conservation practice standards in Section IV of the FOTG. The standards are Deep Tillage (324), Riparian Herbaceous Cover (390), and Riparian Forest Buffer (391), Waste Utilization (633), Vegetative Barrier (601), Nutrient Management (590), Tree-Shrub Pruning (660), Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation (650), Windbreak/ Shelterbelt Establishment (380), Anionic Polyacrylamide (PAM) Erosion Control (450), Grassed Waterway (412), Pipeline (516), Watering Facility (614), Forest Site Preparation (490), and Tree/Shrub Establishment (612).

DATES: Comments will be received on or before March 27, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquire in writing to Mark Moseley, Acting ASTC (Ecological Sciences), Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 100 USDA, Suite 206 Stillwater, OK 74074–2655. Copies of these standards will be made available upon written request. You may submit electronic requests and comments to *Mark.Moseley@ok.usda.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Moseley, 405–742–1235.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law, to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law, shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Oklahoma will receive comments relative to the proposed change. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Oklahoma regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: February 1, 2002.

M. Darrel Dominick,

State Conservationist, Stillwater, Oklahoma. [FR Doc. 02–4395 Filed 2–22–02; 8:45 am]
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Inviting Applications for Rural Business Opportunity Grants

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBS), an Agency within the Rural Development mission area, announces the availability of grants of up to \$50,000 per application from the Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG) Program for fiscal year (FY) 2002, to be competitively awarded. For multi-state projects, grant funds of up to \$150,000 will be available on a competitive basis.

DATES: Any applications received in the Rural Development State Office after the date of this notice will be considered for funding after June 30, 2002.

ADDRESSES: For further information, entities wishing to apply for assistance should contact a Rural Development State Office to receive further information and copies of the application package. Potential applicants located in the District of Columbia must send their applications to the National Office at: