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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Council for Native American Farming and Ranching

AGENCY: Office of Tribal Relations, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of The Council for Native American Farming and Ranching (CNAFR) a public advisory committee of the Office of Tribal Relations (OTR). Notice of the meetings are provided in accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). This will be the inaugural meeting of the CNAFR and will consist of, but not limited to, election of officers, acceptance of committee by-laws, and overview of USDA farm programs. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 14, 2012 and August 15, 2012 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The meetings are open to the public on both days. Note that a period for public comment will be held on August 15, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, 4th St and Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20024. The meeting will be held in the Patrons Lounge.

Written Comments: Written comments may be submitted to: Joanna Mounce Stancil, Designated Federal Officer, Director, Office of Tribal Relations (OTR), 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Whitten Bldg., 500–A, Washington, DC 20250; by Fax: (202) 720–1058; or by email: John.Lowery@osec.usda.gov. All written comments must be received by July 31, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Questions should be directed to John Lowery, Management Analyst, OTR, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Whitten Bldg., 500A, Washington, DC 20250; by Fax: (202) 720–1058 or email: John.Lowery@osec.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), USDA established an advisory Council for Native American farmers and ranchers. The Council is a discretionary advisory committee established under the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture, in furtherance of the settlement agreement in Keepseagle v. Vilsack that was granted final approval by the District Court for the District of Columbia on April 28, 2011.

The Council will operate under the provisions of the FACA and report to the Secretary of Agriculture. The purpose of the Council is (1) to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on issues related to the participation of Native American farmers and ranchers in USDA farm loan programs; (2) to transmit recommendations concerning any changes to FSA regulations or internal guidance or other measures that would eliminate barriers to program participation for Native American farmers and ranchers; (3) to examine methods of maximizing the number of new farming and ranching opportunities created through the farm loan program through enhanced extension and financial literacy services; (4) to examine methods of encouraging intergovernmental cooperation to mitigate the effects of land tenure and probate issues on the delivery of USDA farm loan programs; (5) to evaluate other methods of creating new farming or ranching opportunities for Native American producers; and (6) to address other related issues as deemed appropriate.

The Secretary of Agriculture selected a diverse group of members representing a broad spectrum of persons interested in providing solutions to the challenges of the aforementioned purposes. Equal opportunity practices were considered in all appointments to the Committee in accordance with USDA policies. The Secretary selected the members in May 2012. Interested persons may present views, orally or in writing, on issues relating to agenda topics before the council.

Written submissions may be submitted to the contact person on or before August 5, 2012. Oral presentations from the public will be scheduled between approximately 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on August 15, 2012. Those individuals interested in making formal oral presentations should notify the contact person and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the issue they wish to present and the names and addresses of proposed participants. Each person giving public comment will have three (3) minutes. The contact person will notify interested persons regarding their request to speak by August 5, 2012. The deadline to submit comments is July 31, 2012.

OTR will also make all agenda topics available to the public via the OTR Web site: http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/ usda/usdahome?navid=OTR no later than 10 business days before the meeting and at the meeting. In addition, the minutes from the meeting will be posted on the OTR Web site. OTR welcomes the attendance of the public at the CNAFR meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please contact John Lowery, at least 10 business days in advance of the meeting.

Dated: July 19, 2012.

Joanna Mounce Stancil,

Director Office of Tribal Relations. [FR Doc. 2012–18088 Filed 7–24–12; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Kern and Tulare Counties Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Call for Proposals and Announcement of Meetings.

SUMMARY: The Kern and Tulare Counties Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will be accepting applications for projects that may be recommended for funding under Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L 110–343 as amended by H.R. 4348 ENR). The purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of

the Act. The application and other information is available for download from the Secure Rural Schools Web site: http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/sequoia/projects/rural-schools/index.html and can be submitted electronically, by mail, or in person.

DATES: Applications will be accepted electronically or by mail until September 6, 2012 or in person at the meetings to be held on August 23 and September 13, 2012. All meetings will begin at 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The August 23, 2012 meeting will be held at the Sequoia National Forest Headquarters, 1839 South Newcomb Street, Porterville, California 93257. The September 13 meeting will be held at the 3rd floor conference room of the County of Kern Administrative Office, 1115 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, California 93301.

Applications should be sent to Penelope Shibley, Kern River Ranger District, P.O. Box 9, Kernville, CA 93238, or by email to *pshibley@fs.fed.us*. All applications, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may deliver applications to the Kern River Ranger District, 105 Whitney Road, Kernville CA. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 760–376–3781 to facilitate entry into the building and access to the record.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Penelope Shibley, RAC Coordinator, Kern River Ranger District; (760) 376– 3781; or email: pshibley@fs.fed.us.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call 559–781–6650 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Pacific Daylight Time, Monday through Friday. Please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices or other reasonable accommodation for access to the facility or procedings by contacting the person listed in For Further Information.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: All

meetings are open to the public. The following business will be conducted (1) introductions of all committee members and Forest Service personnel; (2) approve last meeting minutes; (3) hear updates on progress of past approved projects; (4) hear project presentations; and (5) vote to recommend projects for funding approval. 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.

Dated: July 19, 2012.

Kevin B. Elliott,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Title: Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation, Planning, Protection, or Restoration.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0459. *Form Number(s):* NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 61.
Average Hours Per Response:
Development of a plan, 120 hours;
revision or update to a plan, 35 hours;
project application and checklist, 15
hours; final application, 3 hours and 30
minutes; semiannual and annual
reporting, 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Burden Hours: 1,405.

Needs and Uses: This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection. The FY 2002 Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations Act directed the Secretary of Commerce to establish a Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP) to protect important coastal and estuarine areas that have significant conservation, recreation, ecological, historical, or aesthetic values, or that are threatened by conversion, and to issue guidelines for this program delineating the criteria for grant awards. The guidelines establish procedures for eligible applicants who choose to participate in the program to use when developing state conservation plans, proposing or soliciting projects under this program, applying for funds, and carrying out projects under this program in a manner that is consistent with the purposes of the program. Guidelines for the CELCP can be found on NOAA's Web site at: http://coastalmanagement.noaa.gov/ and/or may be obtained upon request via the contact information listed above.

The CELCP was reauthorized under Public Law 111–111, the Omnibus Public Lands Management Act, as a component of the Coastal Zone Management Act. NOAA also has, or is given, additional authority under the Coastal Zone Management Act, annual appropriations or other authorities, to issue funds to coastal states, localities or other recipients for planning, conservation, acquisition, protection, restoration, or construction projects. The required information enables NOAA to implement the CELCP, under its current or future authorization, and facilitate the review of similar projects under different, but related, authorities.

Affected Public: State, local or tribal governments.

Frequency: Annually, semiannually or on occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer:

OIRA Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at *IJessup@doc.gov*).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to

 $OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.$

Dated: July 20, 2012.

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board [Docket 30–2011]

Foreign-Trade Zone 141—Rochester, NY, Application for Manufacturing Authority, Firth Rixson, Inc. d/b/a Firth Rixson Monroe, Comment Period on New Evidence

On April 29, 2011, an application was submitted by Monroe County, New York, grantee of FTZ 141, requesting authority on behalf of Firth Rixson, Inc. d/b/a Firth Rixson Monroe (Firth Rixson) to manufacture aircraft turbine components under FTZ procedures within FTZ 141 (76 FR 25300–25301, 5–4–2011). Currently, the FTZ Board is inviting public comment on new evidence submitted by Firth Rixson on June 19, 2012, on which there has not been an opportunity for public comment.