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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Oregon Coast Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet on July 20, 2000, at the Bureau of Land Management, 1717 Fabry Road SE, Salem, Oregon. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and end at 4 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include (1) Information sharing among PAC members; (2) BLM/OHV strategy; (3) Pacific Coast Initiative; (4) Willamette Restoration Initiative; and (5) Coast Range Association long rotation forestry. Two fifteen-minute open public forums are scheduled at 11:30 a.m. and 3:45 p.m. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend. The committee welcomes the public's written comments on committee business at any time.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joni Quarnstrom, Public Affairs Specialist,

Siuslaw National Forest, 541-750-7075, or write to the Forest Supervisor, Siuslaw National Forest, P.O. Box 1148, Corvallis, Oregon 97339.

Dated: June 12, 2000.

Gloria D. Brown,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment Draft Environmental Impact Statement

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings related to the Sierra Nevada Forest Plan Amendment Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Public meetings will provide information on the document, opportunities for discussion, dialogue and consideration of how the alternatives address the five problem areas, including old forest ecosystems and associated species; aquatic, riparian and meadow ecosystems; fire and fuels management; noxious weeds; and lower westside hardwood ecosystems. Meetings will take place in cities near Sierra Nevada forests, as well as Los Angeles, San Francisco Bay area, and Sacramento. The meeting schedule is attached.

SUMMARY: The Draft EIS to amend Sierra Nevada Forest Plans was released on May 2, 2000 and is open for public

comment until August 11, 2000. The Sierra Nevada Framework for Conservation and Collaboration is an effort by the USDA Forest Service to better integrate the latest science and a collaborative approach into national forest management. The EIS will allow the forest service to update forest plans for the 11 national forests in the Sierra Nevada and Modoc Plateau. The Draft EIS proposes 7 action alternatives to address five problem areas.

Requesting Copies of the DEIS and Submitting Comments

The DEIS is available in 4 formats: a printed summary (40 pages); a printed 3-volume set of the full draft EIS, appendices and maps (1500 pages); compact disk (CD); or downloadable at www.r5.fed.us/sncf. To request hardcopies or a CD, write (Subject: SNFP Request): USDA Forest Service—CAET, Sierra Nevada Framework Project, PO Box 7669, 200 E. Broadway, Room 301, Missoula Mt 59807. Email: mailroom_wo_caet@fs.fed.us. Fax: (460) 329-3021.

Review and Comments on the DEIS may be sent to the above address (Subject: SNFP Comments)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Please see the USDA Forest Service, World Wide Web site www.r5.fs.fed.us/sncf or contact USDA Forest Service, Sierra Nevada Framework Project, Room 419, 801 I Street, Sacramento, Ca 95814; phone number 916-492-7554; TTY via PacBell relay (800) 735-2929.

THE FOLLOWING IS THE CURRENT LIST OF SIERRA NEVADA FOREST PLAN AMENDMENT DEIS PUBLIC MEETINGS [Revised June 12, 2000]

Date	Time	Location	Address	Contact	Meeting Format
June 20, 2000	1:30 pm	Madera CA	Madera County Board of Supervisors, 209 W. Yosemite.		Board of Supervisors.
June 21, 2000	7:00-9:00 pm	El Dorado CA	Union Mine High School Cafeteria, 6530 Koki Lane.	Contact: Frank Mosbacher (530) 622-5061	Info/comment.
June 22, 2000	6:30-9:00 pm	Oakhurst CA	Oakhurst Community Center Building Road 425B.	Contact: Sue Exline (559) 297-0706	Information.
June 24, 2000	9:00 am-1:00 pm	Los Angeles CA	LA River Center, 570 W Ave 26, Ste 100	Contact: SNFP (916) 492-7554	Info/comment.
June 24, 2000	9:00-11:00 am	Sonora CA	Sonora Oaks Best Western, Hess Ave. and Hwy 108.	Contact: John Maschi, (209) 532-3671	Information.
June 27, 2000	2:00 pm	Fresno CA	Fesno County Board of Supervisors, 2281 Tulare St.		Board of Supervisors.
June 29, 2000	6:30-9:00 pm	Prather CA	Pineridge/Kings River District Office, Hwy 168.	Contact: Sue Exline (559) 297-0706	Information.
July 10, 2000	3:00-9:30 pm	Porterville CA	Veteran's Building 190 W. Olive Ave	Contact: Julie Allen, (559) 784-1500 ext. 1160.	Info/comment.
July 11, 2000	5:00-9:00 pm	Chester, CA	Wildwood Center, 366 Meadowbrook Loop ..	Contact: Carrie Christman (530) 257-2151 ..	Info/comment.
July 12, 2000	6:30-9:00 pm	Alturas CA	USDA Conference Room	Contact: Nancy Gardner (530) 233-8713	Comment.
July 12, 2000	5:00-9:00 pm	Susanville	Lassen Nat'l Forest Supervisor's Office, 2550 Riverside Dr.	Carrie Christman (530) 257-2151	Info/comment.
July 13, 2000	5:00-9:00 pm	Fall River Mills CA	Hat Creek Ranger District Conference Room	Contact: Julie Allen, (559) 784-1500 ext. 1160.	Info/comment.
July 13, 2000	5:00-9:30 pm	Lake Isabella CA	Kern River Veteran's Hall/Senior Center 6405 Lake Isabella Blvd.	Contact: Nancy Upham (760) 873-2427	Info/comment.
July 17, 2000	6:30-9:00 pm	Bishop CA	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church	Contact: Christie Kalkowski (775) 355-5311	Comment.
July 24, 2000	1:00-3:00 pm	Carson City NV	Library	Contact: Christie Kalkowski (775) 355-5311	Comment.
July 24, 2000	6:00-8:00 pm	Minden NV	Western Nevada Community College		

THE FOLLOWING IS THE CURRENT LIST OF SIERRA NEVADA FOREST PLAN AMENDMENT DEIS PUBLIC MEETINGS—
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Date	Time	Location	Address	Contact	Meeting Format
July 25, 2000	6:30–9:00 pm	Mammoth Lakes CA ..	Community Center	Contact: Nancy Upham (760) 873–2427	Info/comment.
July 25, 2000	6:00–8:00 pm	Markleeville CA	Turtle Rock Co. Park	Contact: Christie Kalkowski (775) 355–5311	Comment.
July 25, 2000	6:30–9:00 pm	Oakhurst CA	Oakhurst Community Center Building, Road 425B.	Contact: Sue Exline (559) 297–0706	Comment.
July 26, 2000	6:30–9:00 pm	Clovis CA	Veterans Memorial Building, 5th and Hughes-Veterans Room.	Contact: Sue Exline (559) 297–0706	Comment.
July 26, 2000	6:00–8:00 pm	Bridgeport CA	Memorial Hall 100 Sinclair St	Contact: Christie Kalkowski (775) 355–5311	Info/comment.
July 27, 2000	6:00–8:00 pm	Reno NV	McKinley Arts & Cultural Center	Contact: Christie Kalkowski (775) 355–5311	Comment.
July 27, 2000	6:30–9:00 pm	Prather CA	Pineridge/Kings River District Office, Hwy 168.	Contact: Sue Exline (559) 297–0706	Comment.
July 29, 2000	9:00am–1:00 pm	Sacramento CA	Convention Center, 1400 J St	Contact: Gail Wright, (916) 492–7549	Reporting on public comment.
July TBA		San Francisco Bay Area.			Info/comment.

Kent P. Connaughton,

Sierra Nevada Framework Project Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Economic Analysis

Proposal To Collect Information on the Initial Report on a Foreign Person's Direct or Indirect Acquisition, Establishment, or Purchase of a U.S. Business Enterprise

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 21, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instruments and instructions should be directed to: R. David Belli, U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, BE–50(OC), Washington, DC 20230 (Telephone: 202–606–9800).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Initial Report on a Foreign Person's Direct or Indirect Acquisition,

Establishment, or Purchase of the Operating Assets, of a U.S. Business Enterprise, Including Real Estate (Form BE–13) and the Report by a U.S. Person Who Assists or Intervenes in the Acquisition of a U.S. Business Enterprise by, or Who Enters Into a Joint Venture with, a Foreign Person (Form BE–14) obtain initial data on new foreign direct investment in the United States. The survey collects identification information on, and limited financial and operating data for, the U.S. entity being established or acquired and identification information on the new foreign owner. The data are needed to measure the amount of new foreign direct investment in the United States, monitor changes in such investment, assess its impact on the U.S. economy, and based upon this assessment, make informed policy decisions regarding foreign direct investment in the United States.

The survey is being revised to add an item to the BE–13 Supplement C–Exemption Claim, to collect the industry of the affiliate for which the Claim is filed. This industry code will be based on the new North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), which was recently adopted for use on the BE–13 survey. The proposed change will enhance the quality of the published data by providing information on the industries in which to classify the operations of exempt affiliates; however, it will not have a material effect on the average burden imposed on respondents. No other revisions are being proposed to the BE–13 or the BE–14 at this time.

II. Method of Collection

The BE–13 survey must be filed by every U.S. business with over \$3 million of assets or 200 or more acres of U.S. land that is acquired to the extent of 10 percent or more, or is established, by a foreign investor. A BE–13 Supplement C–Exemption Claim must be filed for

transactions that do not meet either of the reporting thresholds. The BE–13 is a one-time report that must be filed within 45 days of the acquisition or establishment. The BE–14 is filed by a person who assists in a covered investment transaction, such as a real estate broker or attorney, or who enters into a U.S. joint venture with a foreign person. Its purpose is to provide BEA with the name and address of the newly established or acquired U.S. company, so that a BE–13 form can be mailed to it for completion.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0608–0035.

Form Number: BE–13/BE–14.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit.

Estimated Number of Responses: 1,200 annually.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1½ hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden: 1,800 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$54,000 (based on an estimated reporting burden of 1,800 hours and an estimated hourly cost of \$30).

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB