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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, intends to grant to Cherokee Fabrication of Salem, Alabama, an exclusive license to U.S. Patent No. 7,078,913, "Multipath Resistant Microwave Moisture Sensor", issued on July 18, 2006.

DATES: Comments must be received within thirty (30) days of the date of publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: USDA, ARS, Office of Technology Transfer, 5601 Sunnyside Avenue, Rm. 4-1174, Beltsville, Maryland 20705-5131.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: June Blalock of the Office of Technology Transfer at the Beltsville address given above; telephone: 301-504-5989.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Government's patent rights in this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as Cherokee Fabrication of Salem, Alabama, has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be granted unless, within thirty (30) days from the date of this published Notice, the Agricultural Research Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the

requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Richard J. Brenner,
Assistant Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2008-0116]

Notice of Request for Extension of Approval of an Information Collection; Standards for Privately Owned Quarantine Facilities for Ruminants; Correction

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: We are correcting errors in our notice to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with regulations for privately owned quarantine facilities for ruminants. The notice was published in the **Federal Register** on November 5, 2008 (73 FR 65821-65822, Docket No. APHIS-2008-0116).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. James Davis, Senior Staff Veterinarian, National Center for Import and Export, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road, Unit 39, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 734-8364.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 5, 2008, we published in the **Federal Register** (73 FR 65821-65822, Docket No. APHIS-2008-0116) a notice announcing the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's intention to request an extension of approval of an information collection associated with regulations for privately owned quarantine facilities for ruminants. In the notice on page 65821, under **ADDRESSES**, the information for submission of comments through the *Regulations.gov* Web site and postal mail/commercial delivery was incorrect. This document corrects those errors.

Correction

In FR Doc. E8-26384, published on November 5, 2008, on page 65821, first column, under **ADDRESSES**, make the following corrections:

1. Correct the Federal eRulemaking Portal section to read as follows:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/fdmspublic/component/main?main=DocketDetail&d=APHIS-2008-0116> to submit or view comments and to view supporting and related materials available electronically.

2. Under Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery, correct "four copies of your comment (an original and three copies)" to read "two copies of your comment".

Done in Washington, DC, this 28th day of November 2008.

Kevin Shea,

Acting Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

California Recreation Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Pacific Southwest Region, Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Request for applications.

SUMMARY: Applications are being sought for certain positions on the California Recreation Resource Advisory Committee. New members will be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture and serve three-year terms. Appointments will begin July 2009 when current member appointments expire. One member is being sought to represent each of the following interests: (1) Winter Motorized Recreation, (2) Hunting and Fishing; and (3) Motorized Outfitting and Guiding or Local Environmental Groups.

The public is invited to submit applications for these positions. Current members who have only served one term may reapply. Application packages can be obtained at <http://www.fs.fed.us/passespermits/rrac-application.shtml> or by e-mailing R5rrac@fs.fed.us. Interested parties may also contact Frances Enkoji, U.S. Forest Service, at 707-562-8846.

DATES: All applications must be received by January 5, 2009. This timeframe can be extended if officials do not receive applications for the needed positions.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties may submit applications by mail to Frances

Enkoji, U.S. Forest Service, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anyone wanting further information regarding the California Recreation Resource Advisory Committee may contact Marlene Finley, Designated Federal Official, Pacific Southwest Region Recreation RAC, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592; 707-562-8856.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (REA), signed December 2004, requires that the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management provide Recreation RACs with an opportunity to make recommendations to the two agencies on implementing or eliminating standard amenity fees; expanded amenity fees; and noncommercial special recreation permit fees; expanding or limiting the recreation fee program; and fee level changes. Each Recreation RAC consists of 11 members appointed by the Secretary.

Nomination Information: Applicants must complete an AD-755 form (Advisory Committee or Search and Promotion Background Information) and provide a narrative that addresses the following:

(1) What group or perspective they represent and how they are qualified to represent that group;

(2) Why they want to serve on the committee and what they can contribute;

(3) Their past experience in working successfully as part of a collaborative group.

Letters of recommendation are welcome but not required. Applicants do not need to live in a state within a particular Recreation RAC's area of jurisdiction nor live in a state in which Forest Service managed lands are located. Application packages, including evaluation criteria and AD-755 are available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/passespermits/rrac/application.shtml> or by contacting the Pacific Southwest Region as identified in this notice. Completed application packages must be received by January 5, 2009. Additional information about the California Recreation RAC can be found at <http://www.fs.fed.us/r5/passes/rrac> or about recreation fees at <http://www.fs.fed.us/passespermits/about-rec-fees.shtml>. The Forest Service will also work the Governor and local officials to identify potential applicants. The Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management will review applications and prepare a list of qualified applicants from which the Secretary shall appoint

both members and alternates. The alternate will become a participating member of the Recreation RAC only if the member for whom the alternate is appointed to replace leaves the committee permanently. Recreation RAC members serve without pay but are reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses for regularly scheduled meetings. All Recreation RAC meetings are open the public and an open public forum is part of each meeting. Meeting dates and time will be determined by agency officials in consultation with the Recreation RAC members.

Dated: November 26, 2008.

Lynn Boone,

*Acting Designated Federal Official,
Recreation RAC, Pacific Southwest Region.*

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Clearwater National Forest; Idaho; Upper Lochsa Land Exchange EIS

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: In April 2006 the Forest Service received a proposal from Western Pacific Timber LLC (WPT) in which a major exchange of land was proposed. The WPT proposal included approximately 40,000 acres of checkerboard land intermingled with the Clearwater National Forest near Powell, Idaho. These checkerboard lands are of interest to the Forest Service because they encompass the headwaters of the Lochsa River and hold outstanding values for many fish and wildlife species. The checkerboard lands also hold significant cultural resources including the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail and Nez Perce Tribe treaty area.

In September 2008 the Clearwater National Forest completed a feasibility analysis of the proposed exchange as a first level screen to review forest management plans, identify public benefit, identify availability of resources to complete the proposed exchange, identify title and property descriptions and identify potential support and opposition. The outcome of the feasibility analysis was a recommendation to enter into an Agreement to Initiate a land exchange with WPT. The agreement, signed by both parties in September, specifies the roles and responsibilities of each party involved in the exchange.

In the proposed land exchange the Forest Service would acquire approximately 39,371 acres of land in the upper Lochsa River drainage in exchange for up to approximately 28,212 acres of National Forest System (NFS) land. It is anticipated that this is more than adequate federal acreage to complete an equal value land exchange. The NFS lands are located on the Clearwater, Nez Perce and Idaho Panhandle National Forests.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis should be received by January 5, 2009. The draft environmental impact statement is expected Summer 2009, and the final environmental impact statement is expected Spring 2010.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments to: Tom Reilly, Forest Supervisor, Clearwater National Forest, c/o Teresa Trulock, Project Manager, 903 3rd Street, Kamiah, Idaho 83536. Electronic comments may be sent to comments-northern-clearwater@fs.fed.us with the subject line "Upper Lochsa Land Exchange". Acceptable formats are MS Word or RTF.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Teresa Trulock, Project Manager at the Clearwater National Forest (208) 935-4256.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose and Need for Action

The purpose of this proposed land exchange is to consolidate land ownership in the upper Lochsa River drainage to provide more efficient and effective resource management. This purpose can be achieved by exchanging parcels of federal lands for WPT lands. The current ownership pattern has a considerable effect on how the Forest Service manages NFS lands in the upper Lochsa River drainage. Over the years, differing management practices on the private lands have influenced resource management decision on the NFS lands. The mixed ownership pattern also reduces the ability to apply ecosystem management principles across the landscape. More effective conservation and management of natural resources can be achieved by consolidating these lands and managing the ecosystem as a whole. For example, current ownership results in an inability to use fuel and topography to engage fires on a cost effective basis. Also more efficiency can be gained by reducing administrative costs associated with boundary maintenance and cost share roads.

In general the land exchange provides the opportunity for the Forest Service to acquire checkerboard lands which encompass the headwaters of the Lochsa