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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Agricultural Research Service

#### Soliciting Comments on a Draft Outline of a Strategic Plan for Extension of Comment Period

**AGENCY:** Agricultural Research Service, Department of Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Request for public comments; extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Subcommittee on Aquaculture (SCA) is extending the comment period on the document is published on March 3, 2022, seeking public comment on a draft outline of the Strategic Plan for Aquaculture Economic Development (SPAED), and information on a planned update to the 1983 National Aquaculture Development Plan (NADP).

**DATES:** The comment period for FR Doc. 2022-04444, published at 87 FR 12074 on March 3, 2022, is extended.

Comments must be received by April 15, 2022, to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** The draft outline of the SPAED can be downloaded at [www.ars.usda.gov/sca/](http://www.ars.usda.gov/sca/). Address all comments concerning the SPAED and topics to be covered in the NADP to:

- *Electronic Submissions:* Submit electronic public comments to [AquacultureEcoDev@usda.gov](mailto:AquacultureEcoDev@usda.gov); or
- *Mail:* Gabriela McMurtry, Attn: Aquaculture Economic Development Plan Comments, Office of Policy, F/AQ, 1315 East-West Highway, 14th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered. All comments received are part of the public record and will be made available for public viewing upon request. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or other sensitive information submitted

voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Subcommittee on Aquaculture (SCA) is seeking public comment on a draft outline of the Strategic Plan for Aquaculture Economic Development (SPAED), and information on a planned update to the 1983 National Aquaculture Development Plan (NADP). The SCA is a statutory subcommittee that operates under the Committee on Environment of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC) under the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of the President [National Aquaculture Act of 1980 (Pub. L. 96-362, 94 Stat. 1198, 16 U.S.C. 2801, *et seq.*) and the National Aquaculture Improvement Act of 1985 (Pub. L. 99-198, 99 Stat. 1641)]. In May of 2020, the SCA established a Task Force charged with developing the SPAED, and this Task Force is seeking public comment on a draft outline regarding the goals and objectives to be included. The draft outline is available at <https://www.ars.usda.gov/SCA/>. In addition, the National Aquaculture Act of 1980 required select federal agencies to develop, and update as necessary, the NADP. Last completed in 1983, the NADP describes aquaculture associated technologies, problems, and opportunities in the United States and its territories. It recommends actions to solve problems, and analyzes the social, environmental, and economic impacts of growth in aquaculture. As announced in the **Federal Register** in August 2021, the SCA is updating the NADP, which will incorporate by reference the final and any subsequent updated versions of the National Strategic Plan for Aquaculture Research (NSPAR), the Strategic Plan to Enhance Regulatory Efficiency in Aquaculture (SPEREA), and the SPAED. The NSPAR and the SPEREA are in the final stages of review. Draft versions can be found at [www.ars.usda.gov/sca/](http://www.ars.usda.gov/sca/), where final versions will be posted once approved. The SCA is seeking comments on additional topics to be covered in the NADP.

Signed at Washington, DC, March 29, 2022.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest; Montana; Telegraph Vegetation Project

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare a draft supplemental environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest, Helena Ranger District, Montana, intends to prepare a draft supplemental environmental impact statement for the Telegraph Vegetation Project. The Telegraph Vegetation Project was approved by Helena-Lewis and Clark Forest Supervisor William Avey on January 9, 2017. When analyzing the wildland urban interface within the Telegraph Vegetation project, the Forest used the Region 1 Healthy Forest Restoration Act wildland urban interface boundary definition, rather than the 2005 Powell County Community Wildland Protection Plan, which defined the wildland urban interface differently. In addition, the Forest conducted 8.4 acres of treatments in lynx habitat under the assumption they were located in the wildland urban interface. However, they were outside of the 2005 Powell County Community Protection Plan wildland urban interface boundary. To address these discrepancies, a supplemental environmental impact statement is being prepared to assess what action should be taken. The draft supplemental environmental impact statement will be circulated.

**DATES:** Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by May 2, 2022. The draft supplemental environmental impact statement is expected April 2022 and the final supplemental environmental impact statement is expected June 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to Telegraph Vegetation Project SEIS, Helena District Ranger, 2880 Skyway Drive, Helena, MT 59602. Comments may also be sent electronically to [Comments-northern-helena-helena@usda.gov](mailto:Comments-northern-helena-helena@usda.gov), with "Telegraph Vegetation Project SEIS" in the subject line or via facsimile to (406) 449-5740.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathy Bushnell, Helena District Ranger,

(406) 495-3747 or [katherine.bushnell@usda.gov](mailto:katherine.bushnell@usda.gov). Additional information concerning this project may be obtained at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/helena>.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf/hard-of-hearing (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1-800-877-8339, 24 hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Telegraph Vegetation Project Record of Decision was signed by Helena-Lewis and Clark Forest Supervisor William Avey on January 9, 2017 and with it, the Final Environmental Impact Statement was released to the public. The District Court for the Federal District of Montana rejected a legal challenge to the Telegraph Vegetation Project and that ruling was appealed to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals where the case was affirmed in part and remanded without vacatur to allow the Forest Service to reconsider the scope of the project-area wildland-urban interface. Before the Court issued a decision, a discrepancy was identified between the wildland urban interface boundary used for project analysis and the 2005 Powell County Community Protection Plan wildland urban interface boundary. This discrepancy resulted in 50 acres being analyzed as within the wildland urban interface when they were in fact outside of the 2005 Powell County's Community Protection Plan's wildland urban interface boundary. In September of 2019, the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest completed pre-commercial thinning on Telegraph units 102 and 107 which contained 8.4 acres of early stand or stand initiation lynx habitat that were within the project wildland urban interface but outside the wildland urban interface under the 2005 Powell County Community Protection Plan.

#### Purpose and Need for Action

The original purpose, to improve the resiliency, diversity, and reforestation within the Telegraph Vegetation Project, area remains the same. The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement will update, review, and correct the project analysis and evaluate making changes to the project, including dropping planned treatment acres that are outside the Powell County wildland urban interface and droppings treatment acres to protect lynx habitat within the lynx analysis unit.

#### Proposed Action

The original proposed action for the Telegraph project remains the same; the 2017 Record of Decision is not vacated nor withdrawn. The draft supplemental

environmental impact statement will update and review the effects of the wildland urban interface boundary differences as well as the treatment of 8.4 acres of pre-commercial thinning within lynx habitat that did not fall under the Northern Rockies Lynx Management Direction exemption. In addition, the draft supplemental environmental impact statement will analyze removing units 129 and 164 from treatment, which combined amounts to 30.9 acres. These units, 129 and 164, are located within the same lynx analysis unit as the 8.4 acres of precommercial thinning.

#### Impacts Under Review

The intent of the draft supplemental environmental impact statement is to review, update, and evaluate dropping treatment units which were analyzed under the Final Environmental Impact Statement. Therefore, the effects of the proposed action are expected to be less than originally analyzed.

#### Responsible Official

Helena-Lewis and Clark Forest Supervisor.

#### Scoping Process

A notice of intent published on November 12, 2009 initiated the scoping process for the Telegraph Vegetation Project. The start of a 30-day scoping period began on November 13, 2009. The Project was re-scoped in July of 2012 and a corrected Notice of Intent was published on July 20, 2012. In accordance with 40 CFR 1502.9(c)(4), no scoping will be conducted for this supplemental environmental impact statement.

The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement will be available for public comment as required by 40 CFR 1503.1. The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement will be announced for public review and comment in **Federal Register**, on the Forest's website <https://www.fs.usda.gov/projects/helena/landmanagement/projects>, and in the *Helena Independent Record*.

#### Authority

This Notice of Intent is being published pursuant to regulation (40 CFR 1508.22) implementing the procedural provision of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*).

#### Nature of Decision To Be Made

The January 2017 Record of Decision is not being vacated. The Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement will supplement the

Telegraph Vegetation Project Final Environmental Impact Statement. The Forest will solicit public comment on its suggested remedy and the associated effects of using units 129 and 164 to remediate the treatment of 8.4 acres within lynx habitat.

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### National Agricultural Statistics Service

#### Notice of Intent To Request Revision and Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

**AGENCY:** National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to request revision and extension of a currently approved information collection, the Vegetable Surveys Program. Revision to burden hours will be needed due to changes in the size of the target population, sampling design, questionnaire length, and/or data collection plan. Some of the vegetable production surveys will incorporate sampling of the total population of producers, while the processing surveys will involve a total enumeration of the entire population. Changes are being made to some of the questionnaires to accommodate changes in the industry and to make the questionnaires easier for the respondent to complete. This should help to reduce respondent burden and improve the overall response rates.

**DATES:** Comments on this notice must be received by May 31, 2022 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number 0535-0037, by any of the following methods:

- *Email:* [ombofficer@nass.usda.gov](mailto:ombofficer@nass.usda.gov).

Include docket number above in the subject line of the message.

- *E-fax:* (855) 838-6382.

- *Mail:* Mail any paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions to: Richard Hopper, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S.

Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-2024.