

In addition, Federal court decisions have established that reviewers of Draft EIS statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and concerns. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553, (1978). Environmental objections that could have been raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage may be waived if not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). The reason for this is to ensure that subsistence comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the Final EIS.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposed action and will be available for public inspection. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, those who submit anonymous comments will not have standing to appeal the subsequent decision under 36 CFR parts 215 or 217. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Requesters should be aware that, under FOIA, confidentiality might be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agencies decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within 7 days.

Permits required for implementation include the following:

1. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
 - Approvals of discharge of dredged or fill material into the waters of the United States under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act,
 - Approval of the construction of structures or work in navigable waters of the United States under Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899;
2. Environmental Protection Agency
 - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (402) Permit;

- Review Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan;
- 3. State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources
 - Tideland Permit and Lease or Easement;
- 4. State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation
 - Solid Waste Disposal Permit;
 - Certification of Compliance with Alaska Water Quality Standards (401 Certification)

Responsible Official: Thomas Puchlerz, Forest Supervisor, Tongass National Forest, Federal Building, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901, is the responsible official. The responsible official will consider the comments, response, disclosure of environmental consequences, and applicable laws, regulations, and policies in making the decision and stating the rationale in the Record of Decision.

Dated: March 20, 2000.

Thomas Puchlerz,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Klamath Provincial Advisory Committee will meet on April 13 and 14, 2000, at the Miner's Inn Convention Center, 122 E. Miner, Yreka, California. The meeting on Thursday, April 13, will start at 1 p.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m. The meeting will reconvene on Friday, April 14 at 8 a.m. and will adjourn at 12 p.m. Agenda items for the meeting include: (1) Discussion of the Megram Fire rehabilitation; (2) A presentation of the development of Fire Management Strategies; and (3) Public Member Co-Chair for PAC. All Provincial Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Connie Hendryx, USDA, Klamath National Forest, 11263 N. Hwy 3, Fort Jones, California 96032; telephone 530-468-1281 (voice), TDD 530-468-2783.

Dated: March 24, 2000.

Margaret J. Boland,

Forest Supervisor.

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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 April 27, 2000, at the Siuslaw National Forest, 4077 S.W. Research Way, Corvallis, Oregon. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 3:30 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Watershed planning for Tillamook and Five Rivers EIS; (2) Joint meeting with the Willamette PAC in July; (3) Survey results for topics for future meetings; (4) Rechartering; and (5) Public comment period.

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: March 23, 2000.

Gloria D. Brown,

Forest Supervisor.

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Forest Service

Southwest Oregon Province Interagency Executive Committee (PIEC) Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Southwest Oregon PIEC Advisory Committee will meet on April 12, 2000 in Medford, Oregon at the Medford Bureau of Land Management Office at 3040 Biddle Road. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and continue until 5 p.m. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Cascade/Siskiyou Ecological Emphasis Area; (2) Public Comment; (3) Province Advisory Committee Recharter; and (4) Current issues as perceived by Advisory Committee members.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Direct questions regarding this meeting to Roger Evenson, Province Advisory Committee Coordinator, USDA, Forest Service, Umpqua National Forest, 2900