SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1441(c) of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 requires the establishment of the Forestry Research Advisory Council (FRAC) to provide advice to the Secretary of Agriculture on accomplishing efficiently the purposes of the Act of October 10, 1962 (16 U.S.C. 582a, et seq.), known as the McIntire-Stennis Act of 1962. FRAC also provides advice related to the Forest Service research program, authorized by the Forest and Rangeland Resources Research Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-307, 92 Stat. 353, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1600 (note)). FRAC is composed of 18 voting members from Federal and state agencies, forest industries, forestry schools and state agricultural experiment stations, and volunteer public groups. FRAC will meet to (a) hear reports from the Forest Service (USDA), the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (USDA), forest industries, and the National Association of Professional Forestry Schools and Colleges, and (b) to formulate advice on Federal and state forestry research for the Secretary of Agriculture.

DATES AND LOCATION: FRAC will meet on July 30, 2002, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and on July 31, 2002, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon, in the Plant and Animal Systems conference from (room 3455) of the Waterfront Centre located at 800 9th Street SW., Washington, DC 20024. A complete agenda will be available prior to the meeting. To request a copy of the agenda contact Dr. Catalino A. Blanche, FRAC Coordinator, at (202) 401–4190, or fax your request to (202) 401–1706, or e-mail to cblanche@reeusda.gov.

Comments

The public may file written comments with the FRAC Coordinator before the meeting or by August 31, 2002. All statements will become a part of the official records of the Forestry Research Council and will be kept on file for public review in the FRAC Coordinator's office, Room 3413, Waterfront Center, 800 9th Street SW., Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Catalino A. Blanche, FRAC Coordinator; Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service; U.S. Department of Agriculture; Mail Stop 2210; 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC 20250–2210; telephone: (202) 401–4190; fax: (202) 401–1706; e-mail: cblanche@reeusda.gov.

Done at Washington, DC, this 20th day of July, 2002.

Joseph J. Jen,

Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Buckman Water Diversion Project; Meetings

AGENCY: Forest Service, Santa Fe National Forest, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of scoping meetings.

SUMMARY: The USDA Forest Service (FS)—in conjunction with the Department of Interior's Bureau of Land Management and Bureau of Reclamation—will hold public scoping meetings to discuss the Buckman Water Diversion Project. The Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 47764, July 22, 2002).

The Notice of Intent provides specific information regarding the project. This public scoping meeting notice intends to inform interested and potentially affected parties of the meeting schedule to be conducted during the scoping phase of this environmental analysis.

DATES: Two scoping meetings will be held. The first will be held on Tuesday, August 20, 2002, from 3 to 5 p.m. The second meeting will be held on Thursday, August 29, 2002, from 7 to 9 p.m. Both meetings will be held in Santa Fe, New Mexico.

ADDRESSES: The two scoping meetings will be held at the Santa Fe Sweeney Center, 201 W. Marcy Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87501 (505 955–6218).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Sandy Hurlocker, NEPA Coordinator, Española Ranger District, (505) 753–7331.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21)

Dated: July 22, 2002.

Gilbert Zepeda,

Acting Santa Fe Forest Supervisor. [FR Doc. 02–19145 Filed 7–29–02; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–11–M

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Lassen Resource Advisory Committee, Susanville, California, and USDA Forest Service

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committees Act (Pub. L. 92–463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106–393) the Lassen National Forest's Lassen County Resource Advisory Committee will meet Wednesday, September 11, 2002, in Susanville, California for a business meeting. The meetings are open to the public.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The business meeting September 11th begins at 9 a.m., at the Lassen National Forest Headquarters Office, Caribou Conference Room, 2550 Riverside Drive, Susanville, CA 96130. Agenda topics will include; orientation, roles and responsibilities, working guidelines and election of committee chairperson, to meet the intent of Pub. L. 106–393. Time will also be set aside for public comments at the beginning of the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Robert Andrews, Eagle Lake District Ranger and Designated Federal Officer, at (530) 257–4188; or Assistant Public Affairs Officer, Leona Rodreick, at (530) 257–2151.

Dated: July 24, 2002.

Edward C. Cole,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Sunshine Act Meeting Notice

AGENCY: Rural Telephone Bank, USDA. **ACTION:** Privatization committee meeting.

TIME AND DATE: 8:30 a.m., Thursday, August 15, 2002.

PLACE: Conference Room 5030–South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC.

STATUS: Open.

MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:

The business advisor will report on the status of current privatization projects.