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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Analysis of Beaver Park Project Area, Black Hills National Forest, South Dakota

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Cancellation of notice of intent.

SUMMARY: This notice cancels the Notice of Intent to analyze the Beaver Park Project Area on the Black Hills National Forest, published in the **Federal Register** on November 9, 1999 (64 Fed. Reg. 61063–61064), pursuant to Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations section 1501.7. The project was cancelled as a result of the settlement of Civil Action No. 99–N–2173, *Biodiversity Associates vs. Lyle Laverty et al.*, United States District Court for the District of Colorado.

ADDRESSES: Northern Hills Ranger District, Black Hills National Forest, 2014 N. Main St., Spearfish, SD 57783.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Natvig, Project Interdisciplinary Team Leader, at (605) 642–4622.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 1, 1999, a Record of Decision was signed implementing the selected alternative in the Veteran Boulder Environmental Impact Statement in the Beaver Park Roadless Area. A separate project was proposed later the same year to address a growing mountain pine beetle epidemic in the Beaver Park area. A Notice of Intent to analyze the effects of the proposed actions was published in the **Federal Register** on November 9, 1999.

On November 10, 1999, Biodiversity Associates filed a lawsuit against Lyle Laverty et al. regarding the March 1, 1999 Record of Decision on the Veteran/ Boulder project. An agreement to settle this lawsuit was reached on September 6, 2000. As part of the settlement, the Forest Service agreed not to approve any decision to “log, or construct or

reconstruct vehicle routes, or construct or reconstruct skid trails, or otherwise undertake any activity involving the disturbance of soil or the cutting or damaging of trees, nor will it undertake sale “prep” work (e.g., tree marking), within the Beaver Park Roadless Area until after a decision by the Regional Forester to adopt the Phase II Forest Plan amendment” (*Biodiversity Associates v. Laverty*, p. 2).

This language effectively prevents the actions proposed under the Beaver Park Project from occurring until such time as an amendment to the Black Hills National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan is prepared and signed, as described in the settlement agreement. Therefore, the Notice of Intent for the Beaver Park Project is being withdrawn.

Dated: February 28, 2001.

John C. Twiss,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Changes to Section 1 of the Iowa State Technical Guide

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed changes in the Iowa NRCS state technical guide for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It has been determined by the NRCS State Conservationist for Iowa that changes must be made in the NRCS State Technical Guide specifically in Section 4 Practice Standards and Specifications, Conservation Cover (327), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Contour Buffer Strips (332), Contour Farming (330), and Field Border (386) to account for improved technology. These practice standards can be used in systems that treat highly erodible land.

DATES: Comments will be received until on or before April 30, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leroy Brown, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service,

210 Walnut Street, 693 Federal Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50309; at 515/284–4260; fax 515/284–4394.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law to NRCS State technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days the NRCS will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period a determination will be made by the NRCS regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: March 21, 2001.

Leroy Brown,
State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Municipal Interest Rates for the Second Quarter of 2001

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of municipal interest rates on advances from insured electric loans for the second quarter of 2001.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service hereby announces the interest rates for advances on municipal rate loans with interest rate terms beginning during the second calendar quarter of 2001.

DATES: These interest rates are effective for interest rate terms that commence during the period beginning April 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gail P. Salgado, Management Analyst, Office of the Assistant Administrator, Electric Program, Rural Utilities Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 4024–S, Stop 1560, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250–1560. Telephone: 202–205–3660. FAX: 202–690–0717. E-mail: GSalgado@rus.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS) hereby announces the interest rates on advances made during the second calendar quarter of 2001 for municipal

rate electric loans. RUS regulations at § 1714.4 state that each advance of funds on a municipal rate loan shall bear interest at a single rate for each interest rate term. Pursuant to § 1714.5, the interest rates on these advances are based on indexes published in the "Bond Buyer" for the four weeks prior to the fourth Friday of the last month before the beginning of the quarter. The rate for interest rate terms of 20 years or longer is the average of the 20 year rates published in the Bond Buyer in the four weeks specified in § 1714.5(d). The rate for terms of less than 20 years is the average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer for the same four weeks in the table of "Municipal Market Data—General Obligation Yields" or the successor to this table. No interest rate may exceed the interest rate for Water and Waste Disposal loans.

The table of Municipal Market Data includes only rates for securities maturing in 2001 and at 5 year intervals thereafter. The rates published by RUS reflect the average rates for the years shown in the Municipal Market Data table. Rates for interest rate terms ending in intervening years are a linear interpolation based on the average of the rates published in the Bond Buyer. All rates are adjusted to the nearest one eighth of one percent (0.125 percent) as required under § 1714.5(a). The market interest rate on Water and Waste Disposal loans for this quarter is 5.125 percent.

In accordance with § 1714.5, the interest rates are established as shown in the following table for all interest rate terms that begin at any time during the second calendar quarter of 2001.

Interest rate term ends in (year)	RUS rate (0.000 percent)
2022 or later	5.125
2021	5.125
2020	5.125
2019	5.125
2018	5.000
2017	5.000
2016	4.875
2015	4.875
2014	4.750
2013	4.625
2012	4.500
2011	4.375
2010	4.250
2009	4.250
2008	4.125
2007	4.000
2006	3.875
2005	3.750
2004	3.625
2003	3.500
2002	3.375

Dated: March 8, 2001.

Blaine D. Stockton,

Acting Administrator, Rural Utilities Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Additions and Deletion

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Additions to and deletion from the procurement list.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List commodities and services to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes from the Procurement List commodities previously furnished by such agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick T. Mooney (703) 603-7740

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 28, September 15, 2000 and January 25, February 2, February 9 and February 16, 2001 the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notices (65 FR 46426, 55938) and (66 FR 7875, 8776, 9685/9686 and 10664) of proposed additions to and deletion from the Procurement List:

Additions

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the commodity and services and impact of the additions on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the commodities and services listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small

organizations that will furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

2. The action will not have a severe economic impact on current contractors for the commodities and services.

3. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the commodities and services to the Government.

4. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the commodities and services proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

Accordingly, the following commodities and services are hereby added to the Procurement List:

Commodities

Folder, Classification

7530-00-NIB-0548

7530-00-NIB-0549

7530-00-NIB-0550

7530-00-NIB-0551

7530-00-NIB-0552

7530-00-NIB-0555

7530-00-NIB-0556

7530-00-NIB-0557

Services:

Administrative Services

U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command (SMDC), Huntsville, Alabama

Administrative Services for Catalog Distribution

Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service, Battle Creek, Michigan

Food Service Attendant

Air National Guard-Phoenix, 3200 E Old Tower Road, Phoenix, Arizona

Food Service

Naval Air Station, Pensacola, Naval Technical Training Center, Corry Station, Pensacola, Florida

Furnishings Management Services

McGuire Air Force Base, New Jersey

Janitorial/Custodial

FAA Facilities, ARTCC, Guard Shack, ZANNEX Building & ZAN Village, Anchorage, Alaska

Janitorial/Custodial

California Air National Guard, Building 546, Moffett Federal Airfield, California

Janitorial/Custodial

VA Medical Center, Dental Laboratory, Washington, DC

Janitorial/Custodia

≤Great Lakes Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Illinois

Janitorial/Grounds Maintenance

U.S. Army Reserve Center, 1650 Corey Boulevard, Decatur, Georgia