

Responsible Official for this EIS. James M. Peña, Forest Supervisor, P.O. Box 11500, Quincy, CA 95971.

Nature of Decision To Be Made

The Forest Supervisor will decide, based on the environmental analysis disclosed in this EIS, whether to implement the Proposed Action, another action alternative, or to implement the No Action Alternative in accordance with forest plan goals and desired future conditions. Indicator measures that will be considered in developing and evaluating the Proposed Action and Alternative include: (1) Effectiveness in treating noxious weed infestations, (2) potential adverse effects to human health and the environment, and (3) monetary costs and financial efficiency.

Scoping Process

The Plumas National Forest will be conducting public scoping on the proposed action. Public scoping will consist of a letter to the Forest's mailing list requesting public input and comments on the proposed action, and any relevant issues the public may have with regard to the integrated weed management approach outlined under the Roadside Noxious Weed proposal. No public meetings for this proposed action are currently scheduled.

Comment Requested

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. Comments submitted to be specific to the proposed action and the treatments proposed.

Early Notice of Importance of Public Participation in Subsequent Environmental Review

A draft environmental impact statement will be prepared for comment. The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of the draft environmental impact statement 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 contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be

raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *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). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45 day comment period so that substantive 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 environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

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

Dated: August 3, 2006.

Terri Simon-Jackson,

Acting Forest Supervisor, Plumas National Forest.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Eastern Idaho Resource Advisory Committee; Caribou-Targhee National Forest, Idaho Falls, ID

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393) the Caribou-Targhee National

Forests' Eastern Idaho Resource Advisory Committee will meet Thursday, September 21, 2006 in Idaho Falls for a business meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The business meeting will be held on September 21, 2006 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is the Caribou-Targhee National Forest Headquarters Office, 1405 Hollipark Drive, Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Larry Timchak, Caribou-Targhee National Forest Supervisor and Designated Federal Officer, at (208) 524-7500.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The business meeting on September 21, 2006, begins at 9 a.m. at the Caribou-Targhee National Forest Headquarters Office, 1405 Hollipark Drive, Idaho Falls, Idaho. Agenda topics will include a vote on obligating project identification percentages for the upcoming year 2007 and a field trip to view completed projects from years past.

Dated: August 4, 2006.

Lawrence A. Timchak,

Caribou-Targhee Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economics and Statistics Administration

Establishment of the Measuring Innovation in the 21st Century Economy Advisory Committee and Recruitment of Members

AGENCY: Economics and Statistics Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of the Establishment of the Measuring Innovation in the 21st Century Economy Advisory Committee and Recruitment of Members from the Business and Academic Communities.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Commerce is announcing the establishment of and recruitment for members of a Federal Advisory Committee. In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and the General Services Administration rule on the Federal Advisory Committee Management, 41 CFR part 101-6, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the establishment of the Measuring Innovation in the 21st Century Economy Advisory Committee (the "Committee"), is in the public interest in connection