

Only those organizations or associations which meet the criteria for certification of eligibility promulgated at 7 CFR 1260.530 as published in 51 FR 11557, 11559 (April 4, 1986) are eligible for certification. Those criteria are:

(a) For State organizations or associations:

(1) Total paid membership must be comprised of at least a majority of cattle producers or represent at least a majority of cattle producers in a State or unit.

(2) Membership must represent a substantial number of producers who produce a substantial number of cattle in such State or unit.

(3) There must be a history of stability and permanency.

(4) There must be a primary or overriding purpose of promoting the economic welfare of cattle producers.

(b) For organizations or associations representing importers, the determination by the Secretary as to the eligibility of importer organizations or associations to nominate members to the Board shall be based on applications containing the following information:

(1) The number and type of members represented (i.e., beef or cattle importers, etc.).

(2) Annual import volume in pounds of beef and beef products and/or the number of head of cattle.

(3) The stability and permanency of the importer organization or association.

(4) The number of years in existence.

(5) The names of the countries of origin for cattle, beef, or beef products imported.

All certified organizations and associations, including those which were previously certified in the States or units having vacant positions on the Board, will be notified simultaneously in writing of the beginning and ending dates of the established nomination period and will be provided with required nomination forms and background information sheets.

The names of qualified nominees received by the established due date will be submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture for consideration as appointees to the Board.

The information collection requirements referenced in this notice have been previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB No. 0581-0093, except Board member nominee information sheets are assigned OMB No. 0505-0001.

**Authority:** 7 U.S.C. 2901 et seq.

Dated: February 9, 1995.

**Lon Hatamiya,**

*Administrator.*

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### Forest Service

#### California Spotted Owl EIS

**AGENCY:** Forest Services, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces an open house in which the public is invited to participate in information exchange regarding alternatives being considered in the California Spotted Owl Draft Environmental Impact Statement, as they affect the Eldorado National Forest area.

**DATES AND TIME:** March 10, from 12 noon to 9:00 p.m. March 11, from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.

**ADDRESS:** Placerville Town Hall, 549 Main Street, Placerville, CA.

#### CONTACT PERSON FOR FURTHER INFORMATION:

Frank Mosbacher, Eldorado National Forest Supervisor's Office, 100 Forni Road, Placerville, CA, 95667. (916) 622-5061.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Forest Service will release a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to amend the Pacific Southwest Regional Guide and Sierran Province Forest Plans with new management direction for the California Spotted Owl. The purpose of this meeting is to exchange information with the public regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and the preferred alternative.

The meeting will be informally structured. Members of the team that prepared the DEIS will be available to answer questions and discuss the DEIS. Visual media depicting the alternatives and selected environmental consequences will be displayed.

Dated: February 7, 1995.

**John Phipps,**

*Forest Supervisor, Eldorado National Forest.*

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#### Secesh River Subdivision Access Roads

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to Prepare Environmental Impact Statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Payette National Forest proposes to issue a special use permit to

allow the Secesh River Property Owners Association to construct/reconstruct, maintain, and use four roads in the Secesh Meadows area to access private land. The total length of the roads is approximately 2,100 feet and would enable development on nine lots in the Secesh River Subdivision #1 and one lot in Secesh River Subdivision #2. The private land lies approximately 25 miles northeast of McCall, Idaho, in T22N, R5E, Sections 9 and 10, and covers 74 acres; it is part of the former Spokane Group #7 patented mining claim, Minerals Survey 3387.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Linda Fitch, McCall District Ranger (208) 634-0400.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In 1994, the Payette National Forest prepared an Environmental Assessment (EA) which analyzed six alternatives for accomplishing the project. The EA was released for 30-days predecisional review and comment on November 21, 1994. In reviewing the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for significance (40 CFR 1508.27), it was determined this project would be a major Federal action with significant effects, because the Forest Service's biological assessment for endangered chinook salmon made a finding of "Likely to Adversely Affect."

**PURPOSE AND NEED:** The need connected with this project is to respond to the special use application for road construction, use, and maintenance.

**PROPOSED ACTION:** The Proposed Action is a modification of Alternative D from the EA. Alternative D presented in the EA would have allowed Secesh Meadows Property Owners Association to construct/reconstruct, use, and maintain roads #1 (1,200 feet), #2 (300 feet), and #5 (300 feet) to a standard including construction to a grade above ground level (or road side ditch) for good drainage, gravel surfacing, and installation of structures to accommodate overland flow (culverts). Road #3 (300 feet) would be built to a standard of construction of approximately 12 feet in width, native surfacing, and no drainage structures or maintenance. Existing road #4 would be closed, and the owner of lot 10 would have to work out alternative access. In addition, the Proposed Action includes a modification to Alternative D which will require that road #3 also be constructed to a grade similar to other approved roads.

**FOREST PLAN AMENDMENT:** The Proposed Action may require site-specific Forest Plan amendments in standards and guidelines for: anadromous fish habitat, big game calving areas, meadows

fragmentation, and open road densities; and for wild and scenic study river interim management.

**PRELIMINARY ISSUES:** The Forest Service has identified five issues which were addressed in the EA:

1. Effect of each alternative on land ownership status.
2. Effect of the project on soil and water resources.
3. Effect of the project on the habitat of the Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon and other, sensitive fish species.
4. Effect of the roads on the eligibility and suitability of the Secesh River for designation as a wild and scenic river.
5. Effect of the project on wildlife species that depend on meadow ecosystems, and how the project affects the habitat of the endangered gray wolf and other sensitive wildlife species.

**POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVES:** The Forest Service has identified five possible alternatives to the Proposed Action: No Action alternative, Denial of Permit and Closure of Unauthorized Roads, Proponent Request, Roads #1 and #2 only, and Minimum Access Alternative.

**DECISIONS TO BE MADE:** The Payette National Forest Supervisor will decide:

Whether a permit should be issued to allow construction and/or reconstruction, use, and maintenance of roads to access Secesh River Subdivisions #1 and #2.

If a permit is issued, then how many and which proposed roads will be constructed and/or reconstructed.

If a permit is issued, then what standard of roads will be constructed and/or reconstructed.

If a permit is issued, then what mitigation measures, management requirement, and monitoring will be implemented. And, What Forest Plan amendment(s) are required.

**AGENCY/PUBLIC CONTACTS:** As part of the EA process, the Forest Service conducted two scoping processes in 1993 and 1994, contacting 31 groups, agencies, and individuals; 13 scoping responses were received. The EA was sent out for predecisional review November 21, 1994 to 69 individuals and agencies; six responses were received. To initiate the EIS, the Forest Service is mailing a letter to those who have expressed interest in this project in the past.

**SCHEDULE:** Draft Environmental Impact Statement, March 1995. Final EIS May 1995. Implementation, June 1995. Project decision and implementation are contingent on completion of consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

**COMMENTS:** Comments on the Proposed Action and the analysis should be received in writing on or before March 2, 1995. Send comments to: Forest Supervisor, Payette National Forest, P.O. Box 1026, 106 W. Park Street, McCall, ID 83638; telephone (208) 634-0700; FAX (208) 634-0281.

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 draft environmental impact 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 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, 1002 (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 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 and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues raised by 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.

**RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL:** David F. Alexander, Forest Supervisor, Payette

National Forest, P.O. Box 1026, 106 West Park, McCall, ID 83638.

Dated: February 8, 1995.

**David F. Alexander,**  
Forest Supervisor.

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## Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

### Designation of Champaign for the Jinks (IL) Area

**AGENCY:** Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** GIPSA is designating Champaign-Danville Grain Inspection Departments, Inc. (Champaign), to provide Class X and Class Y weighing services under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act), in the former Jinks Grain Weighing Service (Jinks) geographic area.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** March 1, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, GIPSA, USDA, Room 1647 South Building, P.O. Box 96454, Washington, DC 20090-6454.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet M Hart, telephone 202-720-8525

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

In the October 31, 1994, **Federal Register** (59 FR 54427), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic area assigned to Jinks to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by September 30, 1994. Jinks, the only applicant, applied for designation in the entire area they are currently assigned.

GIPSA requested comments on the applicant in the January 3, 1995, **Federal Register** (60 FR 96). Comments were due by January 31, 1995. GIPSA received no comments by the deadline.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in Section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act and determined that Jinks is not able to provide official weighing services in the geographic area for which they applied.

Section 7A(c)(2) of the Act authorizes GIPSA's administrator to designate authority to perform official weighing to an agency providing official inspection services within a specified geographic