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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### Federal Subsistence Management Program in Alaska Meetings

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA; Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**TIMES, DATES AND LOCATIONS:** The Federal Subsistence Board announces the forthcoming Subsistence Regional Advisory Council (Regional Council) meeting: Southcentral Regional Council, 9:00 am, Feb. 14, 1995, Regal Alaskan Hotel, Anchorage, AK.

**SUMMARY:** The public is invited to participate in this upcoming informational Regional Council meeting. Individuals will be able to listen to presentations to the Regional Council and their comments.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Regional Council will hear presentations on options for the customary and traditional use eligibility determination process in general, and specifically how they relate to the process in the Kenai Peninsula area. The Regional Council may also discuss other issues concerning the Federal Subsistence Management Program.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chair, Federal Subsistence Board, c/o Richard Pospahala, Office of Subsistence Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99503; telephone (907)-786-3447.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Regional Councils have been established in accordance with Section 805 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Public Law 96-487, and Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska,

subparts A, B, and C (57 FR 22940-22964). They advise the Federal Government on all matters related to the subsistence taking of fish and wildlife on public lands in Alaska and operate in accordance with provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The public is invited to participate in the Regional Council meetings.

The Federal Subsistence Board was established in accordance with Section 814 of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Public Law 96-487, and Subsistence Management Regulations for Public Lands in Alaska, subparts A, B, and C (57 FR 22940-22964). The Secretary of the Interior and Secretary of Agriculture delegated responsibility for administering the subsistence taking and use of fish and wildlife on public lands to this body. Their meetings are open and the public is invited to participate.

Dated: February 7, 1995.

**Rowan W. Gould,**

*Acting Chair, Federal Subsistence Board.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Carlota Copper Project, Tonto National Forest, Gila and Pinal Counties, AZ

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**COOPERATING AGENCIES:** Department of Defense, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Los Angeles District, Arizona Field Office.

Arizona Department of Environmental Quality.

**ACTION:** Revision of notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** On June 9, 1992, the USDA, Forest Service, as lead agency, issued a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a proposal to develop a mine for copper extraction in the Pinto Creek/Powers Gulch area in the **Federal Register** (57 FR 24461). The purpose of this revised notice is to inform the publics of the following:

1. A revised release date for the draft and final EIS;
2. The availability of a Scoping Report document, and Update To Plan of

Operations, a Closure and Reclamation Plan and a revised Mine Site Plan further describing changes to the proposal;

3. The additional of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality as cooperating agencies;

4. A change in the appeal regulations.

The draft EIS is now expected to be completed and available for public review in January, 1995. The final EIS is expected to be available in June, 1995.

Following several months of scoping and public meetings, a Scoping Report was completed in July, 1993, and mailed to all publics who had requested to be placed on the project mailing list. The initial plan of operations for the Carlota Mine was filed in February, 1992. As additional planning and engineering work was completed, and in response to agency and public comments and suggestions, the proponent submitted an Update to Plan of Operations in January, 1993, a revised Mine Site Plan dated 12/15/93, and a Closure and Reclamation Plan in June, 1994. Copies of the Scoping Report, Update to Plan of Operations, Mine Site Plan and Closure and Reclamation Plan are available for public review at the following locations: Forest Service Supervisor's Office, Phoenix, Arizona; Forest Service District Ranger's Office, Globe, Arizona.

The revisions will increase ore production and extend the life of the project. Based on review of those revisions, no new issues were evident which were not identified in the initial public scoping. Upon completion of the draft EIS, copies will be distributed to interested and affected agencies, organizations, and members of the public for their review and comment. The EPA will publish a Notice of Availability of the draft EIS in the Federal Register. The comment period on the draft EIS will be 45 days from the date the EPA publishes the Notice of Availability. It is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate at that time.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality are participating in the analysis process as cooperating agencies for the purposes of their permitting processes.

Effective November 4, 1993, in the **Federal Register** (58 FR 58904), a new