

Maryland Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 10:00 a.m. and adjourn at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 25, 1996, at the Omni Hotel, 101 W. Fayette Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21201. The purpose of the meeting is to choose a project topic and plan a project for fiscal year 1996.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Committee Chairperson Dr. Chester L. Wickwire, 410-825-8949, or Edward Darden, Acting Director of the Eastern Regional Office, 202-376-7533 (TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, December 14, 1995.

Carol-Lee Hurley,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Texas Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Texas Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 2:00 p.m. and adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, January 26, 1996, at the La Mansion Del Rio Hotel, San Maguel Room, 112 College Street, San Antonio, Texas 78205. The purpose of the meeting is to plan for future projects and hear presentations on civil rights issues.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Committee Chairperson Adolph Canales, 214-653-6779, or Philip Montez, Director of the Western Regional Office, 213-894-3437 (TDD 213-894-0508). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least five (5) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, December 11, 1995.

Carol-Lee Hurley,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Weather Service Modernization and Associated Restructuring

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

SUMMARY: The National Weather Service (NWS) is publishing proposed certifications for the proposed consolidations of:

- (1) Residual New York City Weather Service Office (WSO) into the future New York City and Philadelphia Weather Forecast Offices (WFO);
- (2) Providence WSO into the future Boston WFO;
- (3) Worcester WSO into the future Boston WFO;
- (4) residual Kansas City WSO into the future Kansas City/Pleasant Hill WFO;
- (5) Detroit WSO into the future Detroit WFO;
- (6) Concordia WSO into the future Topeka, Wichita, and Hastings WFOs;
- (7) West Palm Beach WSO into the future Miami and Melbourne WFOs;
- (8) Daytona Beach WSO into the future Melbournes and Jacksonville WFOs;
- (9) Waco WSO into the future Dallas/Fort Worth and Houston/Galveston WFOs;
- (10) Beaumont/Port Arthur WSO into the future Lake Charles and Shreveport WFOs;
- (11) Knoxville WSO into the future Knoxville and Nashville WFOs;
- (12) Havre WSO into the future Great Falls and Missoula WFOs; and
- (13) Helena WSO into the future Great Falls WFO.

In accordance with Public Law 102-567, the public will have 60 days in which to comment on these proposed consolidation certifications.

DATES: Comments are requested by February 20, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the proposed consolidation packages should be sent to Janet Gilmer, Room 12316, 1325 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, telephone 301-713-0276. All comments should be sent to Janet Gilmer at the above address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Scanlon at 301-713-1413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NWS anticipates consolidating:

- (1) the residual New York City Weather Service Office (WSO) with the future New York City and Philadelphia Weather Forecast Offices (WFOs);
- (2) the Providence WSO with the future Boston WFO;
- (3) the Worcester WSO with the future Boston WFO;
- (4) the residual Kansas City WSO with the future Kansas City/Pleasant Hill WFO;
- (5) the Detroit WSO with the future Detroit WFO;
- (6) the Concordia WSO with the future Topeka, Wichita, and Hastings WFOs;
- (7) the West Palm Beach WSO with the future Miami and Melbourne WFOs;
- (8) the Daytona Beach WSO with the future Melbourne and Jacksonville WFOs;
- (9) the Waco WSO with the future Dallas/Fort Worth and Houston/Galveston WFOs;
- (10) the Beaumont/Port Arthur WSO with the future Lake Charles and Shreveport WFOs;
- (11) the Knoxville WSO with the future Knoxville and Nashville WFOs;
- (12) the Havre WSO with the future Great Falls and Missoula WFOs; and
- (13) the Helena WSO with the future Great Falls WFO. In accordance with section 706 of Public Law 102-567, the Secretary of Commerce must certify that these consolidations will not result in any degradation of service to the affected areas of responsibility and must publish the proposed consolidation certifications in the FR. The documentation supporting each proposed certification includes the following:
 - (1) a draft memorandum by the meteorologist-in-charge recommending the certification, the final of which will be endorsed by the Regional Director and the Assistant Administrator of the NWS if appropriate, after consideration of public comments and completion of consultation with the Modernization Transition Committee (the Committee);
 - (2) a description of local weather characteristics and weather-related concerns which affect the weather services provided within the service area;
 - (3) a comparison of the services provided within the service area and the services to be provided after such action;
 - (4) a description of any recent or expected modernization of NWS operation which will enhance services in the service area;
 - (5) an identification of any area within the affected service area which