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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### California Spotted Owl—Sierra Nevada—Management Direction for National Forests in California

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of change in responsible official from Chief to Regional Forester.

**SUMMARY:** The USDA, Forest Service is designating the Pacific Southwest Regional Forester as the responsible official for amending the Pacific Southwest Regional Guide and significantly amending 10 National Forest Plans.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to Janice Gauthier, California Spotted Owl EIS Team Leader, Land Management Planning, 2999 Fulton Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95821.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janice Gauthier, California Spotted Owl EIS Team Leader, Land Management Planning, (916) 979-2026.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 18, 1993, a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was published in the Federal Register (Vol. 58, No. 51, 14554-14555).

Dated: February 23, 1996.

Katherine Clement,

*Director, Ecosystem Conservation.*

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### Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

#### Opportunity for Designation in the Central Iowa (IA) Area and the State of Montana

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act), provides that official agency designations will end not later than triennially and may be renewed. The designations of Central Iowa Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Central Iowa), and the Montana Department of Agriculture (Montana) will end August 31, 1996, according to the Act, and GIPSA is asking persons interested in providing official services in the Central Iowa and Montana areas to submit an application for designation.

**DATES:** Applications must be postmarked or sent by telecopier (FAX) on or before March 30, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Applications must be submitted to Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, GIPSA, USDA, Room 1647 South Building, P.O. Box 96454, Washington, DC 20090-6454. Telecopier (FAX) users may send applications to the automatic telecopier machine at 202-690-2755, attention: Janet M. Hart. If an application is submitted by telecopier, GIPSA reserves the right to request an original application. All applications will be made available for public inspection at this address located at 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., during regular business hours.

**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.

Section 7(f)(1) of the Act authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services. GIPSA designated Central Iowa, main office located in Des Moines, Iowa, and Montana, main office located in Great Falls, Montana, to provide official inspection services under the Act on September 1, 1993.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides that designations of official agencies shall end not later than triennially and may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in Section 7(f) of the Act. The designations

of Central Iowa and Montana end on August 31, 1996.

The geographic area presently assigned to Central Iowa, in the State of Iowa, pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, which may be assigned to the applicant selected for designation is as follows:

Bounded on the North by U.S. Route 30 east to N44; N44 south to E53; E53 east to U.S. Route 30; U.S. Route 30 east to the Boone County line; the western Boone County line north to E18; E18 east to U.S. Route 169; U.S. Route 169 north to the Boone County line; the northern Boone County line; the western Hamilton County line north to U.S. Route 20; U.S. Route 20 east to R38; R38 north to the Hamilton County line; the northern Hamilton County line east to Interstate 35; Interstate 35 northeast to C55; C55 east to S41; S41 north to State Route 3; State Route 3 east to U.S. Route 65; U.S. Route 65 north to C25; C25 east to S56; S56 north to C23; C23 east to T47; T47 south to C33; C33 east to T64; T64 north to B60; B60 east to U.S. Route 218; U.S. Route 218 north to Chickasaw County; the western Chickasaw County line; and the western and northern Howard County lines.

Bounded on the East by the eastern Howard and Chickasaw County lines; the eastern and southern Bremer County lines; V49 south to State Route 297; State Route 297 south to D38; D38 west to State Route 21; State Route 21 south to State Route 8; State Route 8 west to U.S. Route 63; U.S. Route 63 south to Interstate 80; Interstate 80 east to the Poweshiek County line; the eastern Poweshiek, Mahaska, Monroe, and Appanoose County lines;

Bounded on the South by the southern Appanoose, Wayne, Decatur, Ringgold, and Taylor County lines;

Bounded on the West by the western Taylor County line; the southern Montgomery County line west to State Route 48; State Route 48 north to M47; M47 north to the Montgomery County line; the northern Montgomery County line; the western Cass and Audubon County lines; the northern Audubon County line east to U.S. Route 71; U.S. Route 71 north to U.S. Route 30.

The following grain elevators, located outside of the above contiguous geographic area, are part of this geographic area assignment: Farmers Co-op Elevator Company, Chapin, Franklin County; and CENEX Land

O'Lakes, Inc., Rockwell, Cerro Gordo County (located inside D. R. Schaal Agency's area).

Central Iowa's assigned geographic area does not include the following grain elevators inside Central Iowa's area which have been and will continue to be serviced by the following official agencies:

1. A. V. Tischer and Son, Inc.: Farmers Co-op Elevator, Boxholm, Boone County; and
2. Omaha Grain Inspection Service, Inc.: T&K Evans, Elliot, Montgomery County; and Hemphill Feed & Grain, and Hansen Feed & Grain, both in Griswold, Cass County.

The geographic area presently assigned to the State of Montana, pursuant to Section 7(f)(2) of the USGSA, which may be assigned to the applicant selected for designation is the entire State of Montana, except those export port locations within the State which are serviced by FGIS.

Interested persons, including Central Iowa and Montana, are hereby given the opportunity to apply for designation to provide official services in the geographic areas specified above under the provisions of Section 7(f) of the Act and section 800.196(d) of the regulations issued thereunder. Designation in the specified geographic areas is for the period beginning September 1, 1996, and ending August 31, 1999. Persons wishing to apply for designation should contact the Compliance Division at the address listed above for forms and information.

Applications and other available information will be considered in determining which applicant will be designated.

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*)

Dated: February 13, 1996

Neil E. Porter

*Director, Compliance Division*

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### Inadequate Demand for Official Services in Maine

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** GIPSA has determined there is inadequate demand for official services to designate an organization to provide official services in the State of Maine after expiration of the current designation.

**DATE:** The State of Maine's designation ends August 31, 1996.

**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.

GIPSA announces that the designation of the Maine Department of Agriculture, Food and Rural Resources ends on August 31, 1996. As of January 31, 1996, the State of Maine had not performed any official services since 1991. Accordingly, GIPSA determined that, pursuant to the provisions of the Act, there is an inadequate demand for official services to designate an official agency. Therefore, GIPSA is not asking for applications from persons interested in designation as an official agency to provide services in the area currently assigned to Maine. Any persons in Maine who may require official inspection services after August 31, 1996, should contact GIPSA's Baltimore Office at 410-962-3968 (FAX: 410-766-8604).

Authority: Pub. L. 94-582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*)

Dated: February 13, 1996

Neil E. Porter

*Director, Compliance Division*

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### Amendment to Certification of Central Filing System—Oklahoma

The Statewide central filing system of Oklahoma has been previously certified, pursuant to Section 1324 of the Food Security Act of 1985, on the basis of information submitted by the Oklahoma Secretary of State, for farm products produced in that State (52 FR 49056, December 29, 1987).

The certification is hereby amended on the basis of information submitted by Tom Cole, Secretary of State, for an additional farm product produced in that State as follows:  
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This is issued pursuant to authority delegated by the Secretary of Agriculture.

Authority: Sec. 1324(c)(2), Pub. L. 99-198, 99 Stat. 1535, 7 U.S.C. 1631(c)(2); 7 CFR 2.18(e)(3), 2.56(a)(3), 55 FR 22795.

Dated: February 26, 1996.

Harold Davis,

*Acting Deputy Administrator, Packers and Stockyards Programs.*

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### Proposed Posting of Stockyards

The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, has information that the livestock markets named below are stockyards as defined in Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act (7 U.S.C. 202), and should be made subject to the provisions of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*).

AR-171

Roden's Auction Service, Dequeen, Arkansas

MD-119

Kolb's Sale Barn, Woodsboro, Maryland

NC-169

North Carolina Horse Auction, Goldston, North Carolina

SC-154

Double H Livestock, Pelzer, South Carolina

Pursuant to the authority under Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to designate the stockyards named above as posted stockyards subject to the provisions of said Act.

Any person who wishes to submit written data, views or arguments concerning the proposed designation may do so by filing them with the Director, Livestock Marketing Division, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Room 3408-South Building, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250 by March 9, 1996. All written submissions made pursuant to this notice will be made available for public inspection in the office of the Director of the Livestock Marketing Division during normal business hours.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 23rd day of February 1996.

Daniel L. Van Ackeren,

*Director, Livestock Marketing Division, Packers and Stockyards Programs.*

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