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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Committee of Scientists; Meetings Schedule

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: At its organizational meeting December 19, 1997, in Chicago, Illinois, the Committee of Scientists agreed on its schedule of meetings for January and February and developed the agenda for the January 22–23 meeting, which will be held in Denver, Colorado. The purpose of the January meeting is for the Committee to discuss planning issues on the National Forests in the Rocky Mountain Region (Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, and eastern Wyoming); to share information and ideas about Committee members' assignments; to review the National Forest Management Act and its history; to discuss scientific principles underlying land and resource management; and to conduct any other Committee business that may arise. The meeting is open to public attendance, and on January 22, beginning at 4 p.m., citizens may address the Committee to present ideas on how to improve National Forest System land and resource management planning. Citizens who wish to speak must register at the meeting before 4 p.m., and each speaker will be limited to a maximum of 5 minutes. Persons may also submit written suggestions to the Committee.

DATES: Meetings of the Committee are scheduled for January 22–23, 1998, in Denver, CO; February 12–13, in Seattle, WA; and February 24–25 in Atlanta, GA.

ADDRESSES: The January 22–23 meeting will be held at the Hyatt Regency, 1750 Welton Street, Denver, Colorado. On January 22, the meeting will begin at 9 a.m and end at 7 p.m. On January 23,

the meeting will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 4 p.m.

Facilities for the February meetings have not been booked. Separate notice of the addresses and times for those meetings will be published later.

Written comments on improving land and resource management planning must be sent to the Committee of Scientists, Mail Stop 1104, Forest Service, USDA, Box 96090, Washington, D.C. 20090–6090.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bob Cunningham, Designated Federal Official to the Committee of Scientists, Telephone: 202–205–2494.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee of Scientists is chartered to provide scientific and technical advice to the Secretary of Agriculture and the Chief of the Forest Service on improvements that can be made to the National Forest System land and resource management planning process (62 FR 43691; August 15, 1997). Notice of the members appointed to the Committee was published December 16, 1997, at 62 FR 65795. When the agenda and locations for the February meetings are known, the agency will publish a separate notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: January 5, 1998.

Robert C. Joslin,

Deputy Chief, National Forest Systems.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sunshine Act Meeting

DATE AND TIME: January 13, 1998; 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Cohen Building, Room 3321, 330 Independence Ave., S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547.

CLOSED MEETING: The members of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) will meet in closed session to review and discuss a number of issues relating to U.S. Government-funded nonmilitary international broadcasting. They will address internal procedural, budgetary, and personnel issues, as well as sensitive foreign policy issues relating to potential options in the U.S. international broadcasting field. This meeting is closed because if open it likely would either disclose matters that

would be properly classified to be kept secret in the interest of foreign policy under the appropriate executive order (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(1)) or would disclose information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c)(9)(B)). In addition, part of the discussion will relate solely to the internal personnel and organizational issues of the BBG or the International Broadcasting Bureau. (5 U.S.C. 552b.(c) (2) and (6)).

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Persons interested in obtaining more information should contact Brenda Thomas at (202) 401–3736.

Dated: January 5, 1998.

David W. Burke,
Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 946]

Grant of Authority; Establishment of a Foreign-Trade Zone Merced, Madera and Fresno Counties, California

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, by an Act of Congress approved June 18, 1934, an Act “To provide for the establishment of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes,” as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u) (the Act), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) is authorized to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Merced, California (the Grantee) has made application to the Board (FTZ Docket 55–97, 62 FR 36258, 7–7–97), requesting the establishment of a foreign-trade zone at sites in Merced, Madera and Fresno Counties, California, adjacent to the Fresno Customs port of entry; and,

Whereas, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal**