

particularly mindful that the availability of an FSA loan guarantee may induce commercial lenders to finance facilities that they would otherwise not consider viable under current market conditions.

Direct and guaranteed loan applications that were received by FSA county offices on or before the date of this notice will be processed through to completion and will not be affected by this temporary suspension. Loan applications for purchase, refinancing, maintenance or repair of facilities currently in production will continue to be processed, as will loan requests for operating loans for annual production purposes. In all other cases, applications will only be processed when the government's interest will be imperiled. All other loan applications submitted to FSA county offices during the temporary suspension will be accepted but held in abeyance until the suspension is lifted.

This temporary moratorium will be lifted upon determination by the Secretary that economic and financial conditions have improved to the extent that USDA action is no longer necessary to alleviate financial stress on hog producers.

Signed in Washington, DC, on January 4, 1999.

Parks Shackelford,

Acting Administrator, Farm Service Agency.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council will meet in Washington, DC, February 18-20, 1999. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss emerging issues in urban and community forestry.

DATES: The meeting will be held February 18-20, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Doyle Washington Hotel, 1500 New Hampshire, NW, Washington, DC. A tour of local projects will be given on February 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Individuals who wish to speak at the meeting or to propose agenda items must send their names and proposals to Suzanne M. del Villar, Executive Assistant, National Urban and Community Forestry Advisory Council, 20628 Diane Drive, Sonora, CA 95370.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Suzanne M. del Villar, Cooperative Forestry Staff, (209) 536-9201.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Persons who wish to bring urban and community forestry matters to the attention of the Council may file written statements with the Council staff before or after the meeting. Public input sessions will be provided during the meeting and individuals who have made written requests by January 29 will have the opportunity to address the Council at those sessions. Council discussions is limited to Forest Service staff and Council members.

Dated: January 4, 1999.

Larry Payne,

Acting Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, DOA.

ACTION: Notice of change.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 343 of Subtitle E of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 (FAIRA) that requires the Secretary of Agriculture to provide public notice and comment under Section 553 of Title 5, United States Code, with regard to any future technical guides that are used to carry out Subtitles A, B, and C of Title XII of the Food Security Act of 1985 (16 U.S.C. 3801 *et seq.*), the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice of revisions to all conservation practices in Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guides (FOTG) located in Washington State.

These revisions to conservation practices in Section IV of State technical guides are subject to these provisions, since one or more could be used as part of a conservation management system to comply with the Highly Erodible Land Conservation or Wetland Conservation requirements.

At this time, four conservation practices are being added/and or revised to Section IV of the state's FOTG's:

- Contour Buffer Strips: NRCS Code Number: 332.
- Riparian Forest Buffer: NRCS Code Number: 391.
- Nutrient Management: NRCS Code Number: 590.

- Best Management: NRCS Code Number: 595.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frank R. Easter, Watershed Planning Team Leader, USDA-NRCS, 316 West Boone Avenue, Suite 450, Spokane, WA 99201-2348 Telephone number: (509) 323-2961.

Dated: January 4, 1999.

Frank R. Easter,

State Conservationist.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee (ISTAC) will meet on January 26 & 27, 1999, 9:00 a.m., at the SPAWAR Systems Center, Catalina Boulevard (Point Loma area), San Diego, California. Committee members and visitors are asked to check in at Visitor Reception before the meeting. The public session will be held on January 26 in the Training Center Conference Room. The closed session will be held in the Cloud Room, Building 33. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to information systems equipment and technology.

January 26

Public Session 9:00 am-12:00 pm

1. Opening remarks by the Chairman.
2. Discussion on alternatives to High Performance Computers.
3. Update on export regulations, including those regarding License Exception CIV and encryption products.
4. Update on the Bureau of Export Administration Website.
5. Comments on presentations by the public.

January 26 & 27

Closed Session

6. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with U.S. export control programs and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not required. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit