

established nomination period and required nomination forms and background information sheets. Certification and nomination procedures were promulgated in the final rule, published in the April 4, 1986, **Federal Register** (51 FR 11557) and currently appear at 7 CFR § 1260.500 through § 1260.640. Organizations which have previously been certified to nominate members to the Board do not need to reapply for certification to nominate producers and importers for the existing vacancies.

The Act and the Order provide that the members of the Board shall serve for terms of 3 years. The Order also requires USDA to announce when a Board vacancy does or will exist. The following States have one or more members whose terms will expire in early 2000:

State or unit	Number of vacancies
Alabama	1
Arkansas	1
California	1
Colorado	1
Florida	1
Idaho	1
Illinois	1
Kansas	3
Kentucky	2
Minnesota	1
Missouri	1
Montana	2
Nebraska	3
New York	1
North Dakota	1
Oklahoma	2
Pennsylvania	1
South Dakota	1
Texas	5
Virginia	1
Wisconsin	1
Importer Unit	4

Since there are no anticipated vacancies on the Board for the remaining States' positions, or for the positions of the Northeast, Northwest, and Mid-Atlantic units, nominations will not be solicited from certified organizations or associations in those States or units.

Uncertified eligible producer organizations in all States that are interested in being certified as eligible to nominate cattle producers for appointment to the listed producer positions, must complete and submit an official "Application for Certification of Organization or Association," which must be received by close of business March 26, 1999. Uncertified eligible importer organizations that are interested in being certified as eligible to nominate importers for appointment to the listed importer positions must

apply by the same date. Importers should not use the application form but should provide the requested information by letter as provided for in 7 CFR 1260.540(b). Applications from States or units without vacant positions on the Board and other applications not received within the 30-day period after publication of this Notice in the **Federal Register** will be considered for eligibility to nominate producers or importers for subsequent vacancies on the Board.

Only those organizations or associations which meet the criteria for certification of eligibility promulgated at 7 CFR 1260.530 are eligible for certification. Those criteria are:

(a) For State organizations or associations:

(1) Total paid membership must be comprised of at least a majority of cattle producers or represent at least a majority of cattle producers in a State or unit,

(2) Membership must represent a substantial number of producers who produce a substantial number of cattle in such State or unit,

(3) There must be a history of stability and permanency, and

(4) There must be a primary or overriding purpose of promoting the economic welfare of cattle producers.

(b) For organizations or associations representing importers, the determination by the Secretary as to the eligibility of importer organizations or associations to nominate members to the Board shall be based on applications containing the following information:

(1) The number and type of members represented (i.e., beef or cattle importers, etc.),

(2) Annual import volume in pounds of beef and beef products and/or the number of head of cattle,

(3) The stability and permanency of the importer organization or association,

(4) The number of years in existence, and

(5) The names of the countries of origin for cattle, beef, or beef products imported.

All certified organizations and associations, including those which were previously certified in the States or units having vacant positions on the Board, will be notified simultaneously in writing of the beginning and ending dates of the established nomination period and will be provided with required nomination forms and background information sheets.

The names of qualified nominees received by the established due date will be submitted to the Secretary of Agriculture for consideration as appointees to the Board.

The information collection requirements referenced in this notice have been previously approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the provisions of 44 U.S.C., Chapter 35 and have been assigned OMB No. 0581-0093, except Board member nominee information sheets are assigned OMB No. 0505-0001.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 2901 *et seq.*

Dated: February 17, 1999.

Barry L. Carpenter,

Deputy Administrator, Livestock and Seed Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Lake Tahoe Basin Federal Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Lake Tahoe Basin Federal Advisory Committee will hold a meeting on February 26, 1999, in North Lake Tahoe, California. This Committee, established by the Secretary of Agriculture on December 15, 1998, (64 FR 2876) is chartered to provide advice to the Secretary on implementing the terms of the Federal Interagency Partnership on the Lake Tahoe Region and other matters raised by the Secretary.

DATES: The meeting will be held February 26, 1999, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and ending at 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the North Tahoe Conference Center, 8318 North Lake Boulevard, Kings Beach, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Juan Palma or Sherry Hazelhurst, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, Forest Service, 870 Emerald Bay Road Suite 1, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150, (530) 573-2642.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The committee will meet jointly with the Tahoe Regional Executives and Lake Tahoe Basin Executives Committees. Items to be covered on the agenda include: (1) Overview of the Environmental Improvement Program (EIP); (2) Review Draft Presidential Commitments Update; (3) Federal Budget Requests; (4) Agency Briefings; (5) Further Refine Role of Committee; (6) Expectations of Committee Members; (7) Recommend a Committee Chair; (8) Schedule Future Meetings; and (9) Open

Public Comment. All Lake Tahoe Basin Federal Advisory Committee meetings are open to the public. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend. Issues may be brought to the attention of the Committee during the open public comment period at the meeting or by filing written statements with the secretary for the Committee before or after the meeting. Please refer any written comments to the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit at the contact address stated above.

Dated: February 17, 1999.

Roberta A. Moltzen,

Acting Regional Forester, R-5.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tonto National Forest

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and agenda for a forthcoming open house meeting on the proposed Forest Service withdrawal application for the protection of the Diamond Rim Recreational Mineral Collection Area. The proposed withdrawal area is located in the vicinity of Diamond Point Summer Homes and Diamond Point Lookout Tower on the Payson District of the Tonto National Forest. This public meeting will provide the opportunity for public involvement in this proposed action as required by regulation. All comments will be considered when a final determination is made on whether this land should be withdrawn.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 30, 1999, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Payson Town Council Chambers, 303 North Beeline Highway, Payson, Arizona 85541.

All comments should be sent to the Tonto National Forest, Payson Ranger District, 1009 E. Highway 260, Payson, Arizona 85541, Attention Esther Morgan, by April 30, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Esther Morgan, Payson Ranger District, (520) 474-7900.

Dated: February 18, 1999.

Charles R. Bazan,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Oklahoma

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) in Oklahoma, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a proposed change in Section IV of the FOTG of the NRCS in Oklahoma for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of NRCS in Oklahoma to issue a revised conservation practice standard in Section IV of the FOTG. The revised standard is Conservation Crop Rotation (Code 328). This practice may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land.

DATES: Comments will be received on or before March 26, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquire in writing to Keith Vaughan, State Resource Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 100 USDA, Suite 206 Stillwater, OK 74074-2655. Copies of this standard will be made available upon written request. You may submit electronic requests and comments to Keith.Vaughan@ok.usda.gov

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Keith Vaughan, 405-742-1240.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law, to NRCS state technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law, shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Oklahoma will receive comments relative to the proposed change. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Oklahoma regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: February 08, 1999.

Ronnie L. Clark,

State Conservationist Stillwater, Oklahoma.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has scheduled its regular business meetings to take place in Washington, D.C. on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 9-10, 1999, at the times and location noted below.

DATES: The schedule of events is as follows:

Tuesday, March 9, 1999

1:30 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Technical Programs Committee.

4:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Planning and Budget Committee.

Wednesday, March 10, 1999

9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Ad Hoc Committee on Electronic and Information Technology (Closed Meeting).

11:00 a.m.-Noon Committee of the Whole Meeting on Acoustics (Closed Meeting).

1:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. Board Meeting.

ADDRESS: The meetings will be held at: Marriott at Metro Center, 775 12th Street, NW., Washington, D.C.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding the meetings, please contact Lawrence W. Roffee, Executive Director, (202) 272-5434, ext. 14 (voice) and (202) 272-5449 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the Board meeting, the Access Board will consider the following agenda items.

Open Meeting

- Executive Director's Report.
- Approval of the Minutes of the January 13, 1999, Board Meeting.
- Planning and Budget Committee Report—Agency Goals, Fiscal Years 1999 and 2000 Status.
- Technical Programs Committee Report—Status Report on Projects.
- Advisory Committee Reports—Passenger Vessels, Electronic and Information Technology, and Outdoor Developed Areas.
- Election of Officers.
- Other Business—Speaker on Exterior Accessible Surfaces Research Project Speaker—Peter Axelson, Director of Research and Development, Beneficial Designs, Inc.