

projected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in May 2003. The Final EIS is anticipated in November 2003.

The comment period on the Draft EIS will be a minimum of 45 days from the date that the EPA publishes the Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, that it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of Draft EIS's must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal, so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions (*Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553, [1978]). Environmental objections that could have been raised at the Draft EIS stage may be waived or dismissed by the courts (*City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2nd 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 [E.D. Wis. 1980]). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action, participate by the close of the 45-day comment period, so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when they can be meaningfully considered and responded to in the Final EIS.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns of the proposed action, comments during scoping, and on the Draft EIS, should be as specific as possible and refer to specific pages or chapters. Comments may address the adequacy of the Draft EIS, or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed. In addressing these points, reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act in 40 CFR 1503.3. Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposed action, and will be available for public inspection. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered. Pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission, from the public record, by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Requesters should be aware that, under FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's

decision regarding the request for confidentiality. If the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within seven days.

Permits/Authorizations

The proposed action may create temporary openings greater than 40 acres. A 60-day public notice and review by the Regional Forester would be needed for such action.

Easement or permission to cross non-federal property may be needed to access some treatment units to implement Forest Service activities.

Responsible Official

James W. Sanders, Forest Supervisor, Superior National Forest, is the responsible official. In making the decision, the responsible official will consider the comments, responses, disclosure of environmental consequences, and applicable laws, regulations, and policies. The responsible official will state the rationale for the chosen alternative in the Record of Decision.

James W. Sanders,
Forest Supervisor, Superior National Forest.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Forest Counties Payments Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: In notice document 02-11111 beginning on page 30353 in the issue of Monday, May 6, 2002, make the following correction:

On page 30353 in the second column, in the **SUMMARY** section, the date of the Rapid City, South Dakota, meeting of the Forest Counties Payments Committee was previously listed as occurring on April 20, 2002. This should be changed to read May 17, 2002.

Dated: May 7, 2002.

Maitland Sharpe,
Acting Deputy Chief, Programs and Legislation.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tehama County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold its fourth meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on May 9, 2002, and will begin at 9 a.m. and end at approximately 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Lincoln Street School, Conference Room E, 1135 Lincoln Street, Red Bluff, CA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Reports from subcommittee's and possible approval (2) approval of revision of short form, (3) project presentations with possible preliminary selection (4) public comment. The meeting is open to the public. Public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: April 11, 2002.

James F. Giachino,
Designated Federal Official.
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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Florida 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 planning meeting with briefing of the Florida Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 1 p.m. and adjourn at 5 p.m. on Thursday, May 30, 2002, at the Adam's Mark Hotels & Resorts, 225 Coast Line Drive East, Jacksonville, Florida 32202. The purpose of the planning meeting with briefing is to: (1) Plan future activities, and (2) be briefed on immigration and Title VI allegations of discrimination in Jacksonville.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Bobby