

livestock products provides a strong foundation upon which to expand.

Voluntary Market-Based Process Verification Program for Seeds

Under the authority of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, 7 U.S.C. 1621–1627, USDA's AMS anticipates that it will propose a voluntary, audit-based system of process verification for the production and labeling of seed. This program would be based on existing seed certification (or equivalent) standards and procedures, and existing AMS process verification programs, with additional quality assurance criteria as needed to substantiate label claims regarding seed quality, including genetic purity. This program will be based on market need and is expected to be of particular benefit to participants who intend to market seeds that have regulatory restrictions or concerns with transgenic event(s) that have been deregulated and commercialized in the United States but not in certain other markets.

Under this program, AMS would verify that minimum criteria for seed production and handling have been followed, thus providing a reasonable assurance that claims regarding seed quality and genetic purity are truthful. AMS will use auditing documentation and onsite monitoring in the process verification program for seeds. AMS will certify that the seed lots produced under this program have met established quality assurance criteria. A statement could be included on a seed label to the effect that USDA-approved quality assurance procedures have been followed. Seed buyers will be assured that appropriate production and handling practices were followed to ensure the accuracy of seed quality claims.

Further, minimum seed certification standards and procedures, as well as labeling requirements, are published in the Federal Seed Act regulations (7 CFR 201). The Federal Seed Act, 7 U.S.C. 1592 *et seq.*, is a truth-in-labeling law that applies to agricultural and vegetable seed in interstate commerce. In addition to labeling requirements of the Federal Seed Act, additional information is allowed on the seed label, provided the claims are truthful. Additional label claims could include information pertaining to identity preservation of the seed lot, specific claims regarding genetic purity or maximum level of occurrence of transgenic material. Under the Federal Seed Act, techniques similar to those under the prospective 1946 Act program, could be used to support any additional claims.

Voluntary Market-Based Process Verification Program for Agricultural Commodities

Under the authority of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, USDA's GIPSA anticipates that it will propose a voluntary, audit-based system of process verification for grains, oilseeds, rice, pulses, and products derived from these products. The proposed system will involve defining minimum requirements for process-based programs to provide assurances through third party process verification services. This program will be based on internationally-recognized quality management system standards. The program will verify existing quality system plans developed by the private sector. It will be flexible enough to incorporate, where appropriate, already existing standards and procedures such as those developed by private organizations. At the same time, the program will have sufficient safeguards to ensure the integrity of its results. This program will be based on market need and is expected to be of particular benefit to participants who intend to market commodities with specific end-use attributes or that have regulatory restrictions or concerns with transgenic event(s) that have been deregulated and commercialized in the United States but not in certain other markets.

Under this prospective program, GIPSA would verify that minimum requirements for commodity production, handling, and processing have been followed. GIPSA will verify compliance with the requirements by reviewing required process documentation plans and auditing the performance adherence to the prescribed plan to ensure the plan is followed. GIPSA will certify as to the market participants' adherence to their processes, when applicable.

GIPSA and AMS plan to propose process verification service programs in the **Federal Register** in the near future.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.* and 7 U.S.C. 1621 *et seq.*

Dated: July 31, 2002.

Donna Reifschneider,

Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration.

A.J. Yates,

Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Revision of the Land and Resource Management Plan for the Tonto National Forest located in Gila, Maricopa, Pinal and Yavapai Counties, AZ

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Cancellation Notice.

SUMMARY: On September 30, 1999, a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an environmental impact statement of the revision of the Land and Resource Management Plan for the Tonto National forest was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 52765–52766). This 1999 NOI is hereby rescinded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eddie Alford, Planning Group Leader or Paul Stewart, Acting Team Leader, Tonto National Forest, 2324 E. McDowell Road, Phoenix, AZ 85006, telephone (602) 225–5200.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 30, 2001 (66 FR 59775–59777), the Chief of the Forest Service, as required by the Land and Resource Management Planning Rule adopted in November 2000, published in plan revision schedule for National Forest System units that have not completed revisions of their plans. This notice set out the schedule for revisions and an explanation of some of the factors that affected scheduling decisions. This schedule indicates a revision initiation date for the Tonto National Forest of 2005. A new notice of intent to revise will be published with the initiation of the plan revision process.

Dated: July 16, 2002.

Lucia M. Turner,
Regional Forester.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tuolumne County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tuolumne County Resource Advisory Committee will meet on August 5, 2002, at the City of Sonora Fire Department, in Sonora, California. The purpose of the meeting is to receive and review final project proposal submissions for 2002 funds.

DATES: The meeting will be held August 5, 2002, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the City of Sonora Fire Department located at 201 South Shepherd Street, in Sonora, California (CA 95370).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Kaunert, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Stanislaus National Forest, 19777 Greenley Road, Sonora, CA 95370, (209) 532-3671; e-mail pkaunert@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Continue project proposal review from July 15 meeting; (2) Committee members interview project proponents regarding project specifics (3) Finalize project selection criteria for 2002 funds; (4) Public Comments; (5) Discuss purpose of upcoming August 12, 2002 meeting. This meeting is open to the public.

Dated: July 18, 2002.

Glenn Gottschall,
Acting Forest Supervisor.
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Glenn Gottschall,
Acting Forest Supervisor.
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Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Philip Montez, Director of the Western Regional Office, 213-894-3437 (TDD 213-894-3435). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, July 31, 2002.

Ivy L. Davis,
Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tuolumne County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tuolumne County Resource Advisory Committee will meet on August 12, 2002, at the City of Sonora Fire Department, in Sonora, California. The purpose of the meeting is to receive and review final project proposal submissions for 2002 funds.

DATES: The meeting will be held August 12, 2002, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the City of Sonora Fire Department located at 201 South Shepherd Street, in Sonora, California (CA 95370).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Kaunert, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Stanislaus National Forest, 19777 Greenley Road, Sonora, CA 95370, (209) 532-3671; E-mail pkaunert@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Continue project proposal review focusing on final clarification; (2) Determine agreement on top projects (3) Public comments; (4) Take final vote on projects to recommend for funding; (5) Discuss purpose of upcoming August 19, 2002 meeting. This meeting is open to the public.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Tuolumne County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tuolumne County Resource Advisory Committee will meet on August 19, 2002, at the City of Sonora Fire Department, in Sonora, California. The purpose of the meeting is to receive and review final project proposal submissions for 2002 funds.

DATES: The meeting will be held August 19, 2002, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the City of Sonora Fire Department located at 201 South Shepherd Street, in Sonora, California (CA 95370).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Kaunert, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Stanislaus National Forest, 19777 Greenley Road, Sonora, CA 95370, (209) 532-3671; EMAIL pkaunert@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Take final vote on any remaining projects to recommend for funding; (2) Public comments; (3) Discuss purpose of upcoming September 9, 2002 meeting. This meeting is open to the public.

Dated: July 22, 2002.

Glenn Gottschall,
Acting Forest Supervisor.
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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, August 29, 2002, at the Omni Hotel Jacksonville, 245 Waters Street, Jacksonville, Florida 32202. The purpose of the planning meeting with briefing is to: (1) Provide new member orientation, (2) be briefed by the mayor and the staff of Jacksonville on city contracts, and (3) be briefed by the Clay County officials on the incarceration of immigrants.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Bobby D. Doctor, Director of the Southern Regional Office, 404-562-7000 (TDD 404-562-7004). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, July 26, 2002.
Ivy L. Davis,
Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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