

NOSB to: Receive an update from the USDA/NOP, receive various committee reports, receive reports from the Materials Task Force and Composting Task Force, and review materials to determine if they should be included on the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances.

The Materials Committee will report on current petitions' statuses, and report on EPA List 3 and 4 Inerts. The Materials Committee will also present for NOSB consideration 10 materials for possible inclusion on the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances. The Livestock Committee will present for NOSB consideration its recommendations on "dairy herd replacements", and the scope of review for excipients and other materials. The Processing Committee will discuss the ion exchange production process, present a recommendation for the scope of materials review, and present a recommendation for when handling becomes processing for producers and retailers. The Crops Committee will present its recommendations for hydroponic production, planting stock, and application of the 20% sodium nitrate annotation. The Accreditation Committee will report on the review of NOP accreditation procedures and present its recommendation for grower group certification criteria. Finally, the International Committee will discuss and present its recommendation on US/EU equivalency.

Materials to be reviewed at the meeting by the NOSB are as follows:

Crop Production: Potassium Silicate, Potassium Sulfate, 1,4 Dimethylnaphthalene, and Butylated Hydroxytoluene (BHT); and for *Livestock Production:* Mineral Oil, Calcium Propionate, Furosemide, Atropine, Flunixin, and Proteinated Chelates.

For further information, see <http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop>. Copies of the NOSB meeting agenda can be requested from Ms. Katherine Benham by telephone at (202) 205-7806; or obtained by accessing the NOP Web site at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop>.

The meeting is open to the public. The NOSB has scheduled time for public input on Saturday, October 19, 2002, from 8:15 a.m. until 10:15 a.m., and Sunday, October 20, 2002, from 8 a.m. until 9 a.m., at the Radisson Barceló Hotel, 2121 P Street, NW., Washington, DC. Individuals and organizations wishing to make an oral presentation at the meeting may make their requests via letter, telephone, e-mail or facsimile as set forth in the addresses section of this notice. While persons wishing to make a presentation,

may also sign up at the door, advance registration will ensure that a person has the opportunity to speak during the allotted time period and will help the NOSB to better manage the meeting and to accomplish its agenda. Individuals or organizations will be given approximately 5 minutes to present their views. All persons making an oral presentation are requested to provide their comments in writing. Written submissions may contain information other than that presented at the oral presentation.

Written comments must be submitted to Ms. Benham, prior to or after the meeting, at USDA-AMS-TMD-NOP, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Room 4008-So., Ag Stop 0268, Washington, DC 20250-0200. Persons submitting written comments at the meeting are asked to provide 30 copies.

Interested persons may visit the NOSB portion of the NOP Web site <http://www.ams.usda.gov/nop> to view available documents prior to the meeting. Approximately 6 weeks following the meeting interested persons will be able to visit the NOSB portion of the NOP Web site to view documents from this meeting.

Dated: October 3, 2002.

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Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Comet Administrative Study Environmental Impact Statement—Klamath National Forest

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Cancellation of notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS).

SUMMARY: The Forest Service is canceling the Notice of Intent for the Comet Administrative Study EIS—Klamath National Forest that was published in **Federal Register**, Vol. 65, No. 230 on pages 71087 through 71088 on Wednesday, November 29, 2000. The usefulness of the study has diminished due to changing circumstances, so it will no longer be pursued.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Margaret J. Boland, Forest Supervisor, Klamath National Forest, USDA Forest Service, 1312 Fairlane Road, Yreka, California 96097.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

Southern Intertie Project; Notice of Availability of a Record of Decision

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability of a record of decision.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), has issued a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Southern Intertie Project. The decision of RUS is that the National Environmental Policy Act process is satisfied with respect to a request for financing assistance from Golden Valley Electric Association (GVEA) for its share of the cost of constructing the Southern Intertie Project. The project being proposed by the Intertie Participants Group (IPG), of which GVEA is a member, is the construction of a 138 kilovolt (kV) transmission line between the Kenai Peninsula and Anchorage, Alaska. The construction of the project will be undertaken in accordance with the FEIS.

FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Lawrence R. Wolfe, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist, Engineering and Environmental Staff, USDA Rural Utilities Service, Stop 1571, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-1571, telephone (202) 720-1784, fax (202) 720-0820. The e-mail address is: lwolfe@rus.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The RUS preferred alternative, the Tesoro Route, would connect the Bernice Lake Substation on the Kenai Peninsula with the Pt. Woronzof Substation in Anchorage. This alternative would parallel the Tesoro Pipeline from the Captain Cook State Recreational Area to Pt. Possession (Route A). At Pt. Possession three options are available to cross the Turnagain Arm and terminate at the Pt. Woronzof Substation. Route Option B crosses the Turnagain Arm via Fire Island to the Pt. Woronzof Substation. Route Option C crosses the Turnagain Arm directly from Pt. Possession to a landing at the Pt. Woronzof Substation. Route Option D would cross the Turnagain Arm from Pt. Possession to Pt. Campbell. From the Pt. Campbell landing, this alternative would continue to parallel the Tesoro pipeline through Kincaid Park and