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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Research Service

Notice of Intent To Grant Exclusive Patent License

AGENCY: Agricultural Research Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, intends to grant Arista Biologicals, Inc. of Allentown, Pennsylvania, an exclusive license for U.S. Patent No. 5,563,040, entitled "Method and Apparatus for Immunological Diagnosis of Fungal Decay in Wood". Notice of availability for this invention for licensing was published in the **Federal Register** on June 21, 1994.

DATES: Comments must be received within 30 calendar days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to: Patent Advisor, USDA Forest Service, One Gifford Pinchot Drive, Madison, Wisconsin 53705-2398.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet I. Stockhausen of the USDA Forest Service at the Madison address given above; telephone: 608-231-9502; fax: 608-231-9508; or e-mail: jstockhausen@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal government's patent rights to this invention are assigned to the United States of America, as represented by the Secretary of Agriculture. It is in the public interest to so license this invention as Arista Biologicals, Inc. of Allentown, Pennsylvania has submitted a complete and sufficient application for a license. The prospective exclusive license will be royalty-bearing and will comply with the terms and conditions of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7. The prospective exclusive license may be

granted unless, within 30 days from the date of this published notice, the Forest Service receives written evidence and argument which establishes that the grant of the license would not be consistent with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 209 and 37 CFR 404.7.

Michael D. Ruff,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Land Management

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

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Monument Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior; United States Forest Service, Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and United States Forest Service (USFS) announce the schedule of meetings for the Advisory Committee to the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument (hereinafter referred to as "National Monument"). The meetings will be held on the following dates:

- Saturday, April 5th, 2003;
- Saturday, June 7th, 2003;
- Saturday, August 2nd, 2003;
- Saturday, October 4th, 2003;
- Saturday, December 6th, 2003;

Meetings will be held at the Palm Desert City Hall Council Chambers, located at 73-510 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert, California, 92260, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. or until the agenda items are completed. There will be an hour dedicated to public input from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. A sign up sheet will be located at the meeting room on the day of the meeting. Speakers wishing to comment publicly should sign the public comment sign-in sheet provided at the location of the meetings. All committee meetings, including field examinations, will be open to the general public, including representatives of the news media. Any organization, association, or individual

may file a statement with or appear before the committee and its subcommittees regarding topics on a meeting agenda—except that the chairperson or the designated federal official may require written comments to the Advisory Committee. The meetings will have agendas developed and available to the public prior to the meeting date. The agendas for each meeting will be located on the Bureau of Land Management Web Page for the National Monument (<http://www.ca.blm.gov/palmsprings/>). The April 5th, 2003 meeting will focus any Advisory Committee comments following publication of a Draft Management Plan for the National Monument. The subject matter of subsequent meetings will focus on the content and implementation of the National Monument Management Plan and other actions affecting the National Monument.

The Monument Advisory Committee (MAC) is a committee of citizens appointed to provide advice to the BLM and USFS with respect to preparation and implementation of the management plan for the National Monument as required in the Santa Rosa and San Jacinto Mountains National Monument Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 431nt). The act authorized establishment of the MAC with representative members from State and local jurisdictions, the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, a natural science expert, local conservation organization, local developer or building organization, the Winter Park Authority and a representative from the Pinyon Community Council.

The meeting will be open to the public with attendance limited to space available. Individuals who plan to attend and need special assistance such as sign language interpretations or other reasonable accommodations should notify the contact person listed in advance of the meeting. Persons wishing to make statements will need to sign up at the meeting location.

DATES: April 5, 2003; June 7, 2003; August 2, 2003; October 4, 2003; and December 6, 2003. All meetings will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a morning public comment period from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. Meetings may end prior to 4 p.m. if all agenda items are completed.