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ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Meeting Notice

AGENCY: Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) will meet on Friday, May 9, 2003. The meeting will be held in Room M-09 at the Old Post Office Building, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, beginning at 9 a.m.

The ACHP was established by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 470 *et seq.*) to advise the President and the Congress on matters relating to historic preservation and to comment upon Federal, federally assisted, and federally licensed undertakings having an effect upon properties listed in or eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. The ACHP's members are the Architect of the Capitol; the Secretaries of the Interior, Agriculture, Defense, and Transportation; the Administrators of the Environmental Protection Agency and General Services Administration; the Chairman of the National Trust for Historic Preservation; the President of the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers; a Governor; a Mayor; a Native Hawaiian; and eight non-Federal members appointed by the President.

The agenda for the meeting includes the following:

- I. Chairman's Welcome
- II. Presentation of Chairman's Awards for Federal Achievement in Historic Preservation
- III. Report of the Executive Committee
 - A. FY 2004 ACHP Appropriations
 - B. Legislative Issues
 1. ACHP Reauthorization Legislation
 2. Surface Transportation Reauthorization Legislation

3. Historic Preservation Tax Incentives
 - C. Revision of ACHP Strategic Plan
- IV. Preserve America Program Development
 - A. Presidential Awards
 - B. Preserve America Communities
- V. Preserve America Executive Order Implementation
 - A. Interagency Assistance Efforts
 - B. Guidelines for Federal Agency Reports
- VI. Report of the Preservation Initiatives Committee
 - A. Federal Heritage Tourism Summit II
 - B. ACHP Donations Strategy
- VII. Report of the Federal Agency Programs Committee
 - A. Army Alternate Procedures—Amendment and Implementation Report
 - B. Program Comment for Dudded Areas
 - C. Section 106 Cases
- VIII. Report of the Communications, Education, and Outreach Committee
 - A. Publicity for Preserve America and Executive Order
 - B. Dissemination of ACHP Publications
- IX. Chairman's Report
 - A. Meeting with Tribal Representatives
 - B. Reissue of Federal Stewardship Report
- X. Executive Director's Report
- XI. New Business
- XII. Adjourn

Note: The meetings of the ACHP are open to the public. If you need special accommodations due to a disability, please contact the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., Room 809, Washington, DC, 202-606-8503, at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Additional information concerning the meeting is available from the Executive Director, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 1100 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., #809, Washington, DC 20004.

Dated: April 9, 2003.

John M. Fowler,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Basin Creek Fuels Reduction Project, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Silver Bow, County, MT

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement.

SUMMARY: The USDA, Forest Service, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to document the analysis and disclose the environmental impacts of proposed vegetation treatments in the Basin Creek watershed south of Butte, Montana.

The project area is located in the southern half of the Basin Creek watershed within the Highland Mountains in southwestern Montana (Township 2 North, Range 7 West sections 29, 31, 32; Township 1 North, Range 7 West, sections 5-8, 17-20; Township 1 North, Range 8 West, sections 1-4, 9-12, 13-16, 21-24; and Township 2 North, Range 8 West, section 23).

The Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest is proposing to treat forested areas in the Basin Creek Project Area to reduce the likelihood of high intensity rapidly spreading fire to reduce risks to fire fighter and public safety, private property, and water quality in the Basin Creek Municipal Watershed. The proposed action will reduce high levels of wildland fuels in two main areas of concern, a 3,900-acre area southwest of the Roosevelt Drive subdivision and a 9,000-acre area in the Basin Creek Municipal watershed. Treatments would include up to 1,500 acres of slashing, burning, and timber harvest in the area below the Roosevelt Drive subdivision. No permanent road construction is proposed in this area; however, there may be some need for temporary roads. Close coordination with the local homeowners will occur in the specific design of treatments.

A large portion (5,700 acres) of the municipal watershed is in an inventorized roadless area. Fire simulation models are being used to determine where treatments would be the most effective in slowing fire while minimizing the number of acres needing to be treated. Modeling has not been completed at this time, therefore, no