

Notices

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

The Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), today denied a petition for trade adjustment assistance (TAA) that was filed on December 4, 2003, by the U.S. Rice Producers Association, Houston, Texas.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Upon investigation, the Administrator determined that increasing imports of rice did not contribute importantly to the decline in domestic producer prices during the August 2002—July 2003 marketing year. Key factors contributing to the decline, according to an investigation conducted for the Administrator, were the growth in U.S. production and increased carry-in stocks of U.S.-produced rice. Increases in rice imports had only a minimal impact on the decline in domestic producer prices, because most imports are varieties of rice not produced in the United States and thus not directly competitive with U.S. rice production.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Jean-Louis Pajot, Coordinator, Trade Adjustment Assistance for Farmers, FAS, USDA, (202) 720-2916, E-mail: trade.assistance@fas.usda.gov.

Dated: January 8, 2004.

A. Ellen Terpstra,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Trinity County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Trinity County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on February 2, 2004 in Weaverville, California. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the selection of Title II projects under Pub. L. 106-393, H.R. 2389, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, also called the “Payments to States” Act.

DATES: The meeting will be held on February 2, 2004 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Trinity County Public Utilities District Conference Room, 26 Ponderosa Lane, Weaverville, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joyce Andersen, Designated Federal Official, USDA, Shasta Trinity National Forests, P.O. Box 1190, Weaverville, CA 96093. Phone: (530) 623-1709. E-mail: jandersen@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will focus on developing a strategy for selecting Title II projects for implementation in Fiscal Year 2005. There will also be brief presentations about the Healthy Forests Restoration Act and Stewardship contracting. 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: January 7, 2004.

Jean M. Hawthorne,

Acting Deputy Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ouachita-Ozark Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Meeting notice for the Ouachita-Ozark Resource Advisory Committee under Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self

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Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393).

SUMMARY: This notice is published in accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Meeting notice is hereby given for the Ouachita-Ozark Resource Advisory Committee pursuant to Section 205 of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000, Public Law 106-393. Topics to be discussed include: Scott County Title II projects and next meeting dates and agendas.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 29, 2004, beginning at 6 p.m. and ending at approximately 9 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Scott County Courthouse, 100 W. First Street, Waldron, AR 71958.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Caroline Mitchell, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Ouachita National Forest, P.O. Box 1270, Hot Springs, AR 71902. (501-321-5318).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff, Committee members, and elected officials. However, persons who wish to bring matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting. A public input session will be provided and individuals who made written requests by January 28, 2004, will have the opportunity to address the committee at that session. Individuals wishing to speak or propose agenda items must send their names and proposals to Bill Pell, DFO, P.O. Box 1270, Hot Springs, AR 71902.

Dated: January 5, 2004.

Bill Pell,

Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

Depositing of Stockyards

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.