

Notices

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Secretary

Notice of the Forestry Research Advisory Council Meeting

AGENCY: Research, Education, and Economics, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, the United States Department of Agriculture announces a meeting of the Forestry Research Advisory Council. The meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The Forestry Research Advisory Council will meet on August 25, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and on August 26, 2004, from 8 a.m. to noon. A complete agenda will be available prior to the meeting. To obtain a copy call the Contact Person identified below.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel, Portrait Conference Room, 1330 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Catalino A. Blanche, FRAC Coordinator, Mail Stop 2210, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250; telephone: (202) 401-4190; fax: (202) 401-1706; e-mail: cblanche@csrees.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1441(C) of the Agriculture and Food Act of 1981 requires the establishment of the Forestry Research Advisory Council to provide advice to the Secretary of Agriculture on accomplishing efficiently the purposes of the Act of October 10, 1962 (16 U.S.C. 582a, *et seq.*), known as the McIntire-Stennis Act of 1962. The Council also provides advice related to the Forest Service research program, authorized by the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Research Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-307, 92 Stat. 353, as amended; 16 U.S.C. 1600 (note)). The

Council is composed of 20 voting members from: federal and state agencies, forest industries, forestry schools and state agricultural experiment stations, and volunteer public groups.

The purposes of the meeting are: (a) To hear reports from the Forest Service, USDA, Cooperative State Research, Education and Extension Service, USDA, forest industries, the National Association of Professional Forestry Schools and Colleges, and (b) to formulate advice on Federal and state forestry research for the Secretary of Agriculture.

Done at Washington, DC this 27th day of July, 2004.

Joseph J. Jen,

Under Secretary, Research, Education, and Economics.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Service

Shasta County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Shasta County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet at the USDA Service Center in Redding, California, September 15, 2004. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss proposed projects under Title II of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

DATES: September 15, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the USDA Service Center, 3644 Avtech Parkway, Redding, California 96002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael R. Odle, Asst. Public Affairs Officer and RAC Coordinator.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meetings are open to the public. Public input sessions will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Shasta County Resource Advisory Committee.

Dated: Dated: July 27, 2004.

J. Sharon Heywood,

Forest Supervisor, Shasta-Trinity National Forest.

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Natural Resources Conservation Service

Southern California Tree Mortality Emergency; Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego, Counties, CA

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA

ACTION: Notice of a finding of no significant impact.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section 102(2)(c) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Council on Environmental Quality regulations (40 CFR Part 1500), and the Natural Resources Conservation Service regulations (7 CFR Part 650), the Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, gives notice that an environmental impact statement is not being prepared for proposed federal assistance for the Southern California Tree Mortality Emergency in Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego Counties, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Charles K. Davis, State Conservation Engineer, Natural Resources Conservation Service, 430 G Street, Davis, California 95616-4164, telephone (530) 792-5622.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The environmental assessment of this federally assisted action indicates that it will not cause significant local, regional, or national impacts on the environment. As a result of these findings, Charles W. Bell, State Conservationist, has determined that the preparation and review of an environmental impact statement are not needed for this action.

The proposed work involves removal of dead and dying trees and excess brush that have created an imminent threat of catastrophic wildfire. The work will be done in locations where that threat has resulted in a hazard to life and property.

The Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) has been forwarded to the Environmental Protection Agency and to various Federal, State, and local agencies. A limited number of copies of the FONSI are available to fill single copy requests at the above address. Basic data developed during the environmental assessment are on file and may be reviewed by contacting

Charles K. Davis, State Conservation Engineer.

Dated: July 27, 2004.

Helen R. Flach,

Assistant State Conservationist.

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BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Privacy Act of 1974: Notice of Systems of Records

AGENCY: Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG).

ACTION: Notice of systems of records.

SUMMARY: This document is a compilation of the Broadcasting Board of Governors' Systems of Records maintained under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended. The Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) is a relatively new Agency and this is its first compilation of systems notices.

The compilation of the BBG's System of Records is made in compliance with the President's Memorandum of May 14, 1998 on Privacy and Personal Information in Federal Records. The President directed Federal agencies to review their information practices and ensure that they are conducted in accordance with privacy law and policy, because ensuring that the Federal government protects the privacy of personal information is a priority of the Administration. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance is pending.

DATES: Effective date: This notice is effective 30 days from the date of publication. Persons wishing to comment on the systems or amended systems may do so through the above date at the address listed below.

ADDRESSES: For further information contact: Joseph Gatewood, Office of General Counsel, BBG, Suite 3349, 330 Independence Ave., SW., Washington DC 20237. Telephone (202) 260-4404. Any requests for information should make sure to identify the request as in reference to BBG's Privacy Act Systems of Records.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BBG has never published a System of Records under the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, because it is a new agency that was created on October 1, 1999.

The Privacy Act created a statutory framework governing how the Federal government collects, maintains, uses and disseminates information about certain individuals.

Increased computerization of Federal records permits information to be used and analyzed in ways that could diminish individual privacy in the absence of additional safeguards. Therefore, we are assuring that the use of new information technologies sustains, and does not erode, the protections provided in the collection, use, retention and disclosure of personal information. The personal information will be handled in compliance with the requirements of the Privacy Act.

The Privacy Act provides that, upon request, an individual has the right to access any record maintained on that person in an agency's system of records. Under the Privacy Act, a "system of records" is a group of any records under the control of an agency from which information is retrieved by the name of the individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual.

The Privacy Act further provides that an individual may make a request to gain access to his/her records or to any records pertaining to him that is contained within an agency's system of records, and that the individual may permit another individual to accompany him/her to review the record and have a copy made at the individual's expense. The agency may require that the individual requesting access to the records furnish a written statement authorizing discussion of the individual's record in the accompanying person's presence. The individual may request amendment of a record pertaining to him/her within the agency's system of records if the individual believes that the record is not accurate, relevant, timely or complete. In order for a request to be considered, the individual will clearly note the specific and precise portion of each record that the individual disagrees. The agency will then consider the individual's request, and determine whether it is appropriate to amend the record. If the agency deems amendment of the record appropriate, the agency will amend the record and so notify the individual. If the agency deems amendment of the record inappropriate, the agency will issue a refusal to the individual within 30 days of the individual's request that states the reason's for the refusal and the procedures established by the agency for the individual to request review of the agency's determination. Accompanying the agency's refusal will be the name(s) and addresses of the designated agency official(s) to whom the individual may request review of the agency's decision not to amend the record. Use of the Privacy Act as a mechanism to obtain

access to files compiled in anticipation of a civil action or proceeding is forbidden.

The Privacy Act requires each agency to publish in the **Federal Register** a description denoting the type and character of each system of records that the agency maintains, and the routine uses that are contained in each system, as a means to notify individuals regarding the purposes for which personally identifiable information is disclosed and to assist the individual to more easily find such files within the Agency.

The BBG's publication of a system of records will readily enable individuals to determine if there are records maintained about the individual in the Agency's systems of records. Additionally, the publication of the Agency's systems notices will emphasize to Agency personnel the importance of protecting and regulating the collection, maintenance, use and dissemination of personal information.

OMB clearance is pending; the "Notice of Systems of Records" was submitted to OMB on July 7, 2004. The authority for maintaining these systems is the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. 552a, as amended.

Dated: July 27, 2004.

Carol Booker,
Acting General Counsel.

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