

108–148). Specifically, applicants should address how and by how much the project would decrease Forest Service hazardous fuel removal costs and/or increase the price one might offer for the biomass. Specifically, proposals should address the following:

- Condition class description.
- What is currently being done with hazardous fuel removals.
- What would be done with removals if grant is awarded.
- Anticipated outcomes and measures of success.

- Documentation of tangible benefits of project as a result of the award. Documentation on intangible benefits. Examples of the information requested are listed on the Forest Products Laboratory's Web site at <http://www.fpl.fs.fed.us/tmu> (under biomass grants).

- Long-Term Benefits of Project: Applicant should address the length of time that benefits and impacts are anticipated, whether or not the project will have long-term consequences (equipment improvements for long-term capacity to handle woody biomass), or just a one-time benefit, such as a subsidy, where benefits end when subsidy ends.

- Expansion capability: Does the project have the potential to expand the application to more forest treatment areas or to use more of the wood from treatments for higher valued uses?

A full description of each content item can be obtained on the Forest Product Laboratory's Web site at <http://www.fpl.fs.fed.us/tmu> (under biomass grants), or by calling the telephone number in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section, or by writing to the address in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

c. Pre-Application Delivery. Pre-applications must be received at Forest Products Laboratory no later than 5 p.m. Central Standard time on March 15, 2005; no exceptions will be allowed. All applicants must use certified or express mail service that allows tracking and documentation (e.g., Federal Express, U.S. Postal Service, United Parcel Service, or other) to submit their applications. Hand-delivered, e-mail, or fax applications will not be accepted. Please send pre-applications to the address listed in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

7. Full Application Information. USDA Forest Service will request full applications only from those applicants selected in the pre-application process. Only full applications that have been requested by USDA Forest Service will be considered for funding under this solicitation.

a. Full Application Submission. Specific content and submission requirements for the full application are as follows: Each submittal must be composed of three (3) single-sided paper copies of the full application plus one (1) electronic copy on a CD or 3.5-inch diskette in Microsoft Word for PCs or pdf format. Paper copies of the full application must be on 8.5- by 11-inch plain white paper with a minimum font size of 11 letters per inch. Top, bottom, and side margins must be no less than three-quarters ($\frac{3}{4}$) of an inch. All pages must be clearly numbered. The paper copies of the application package should be stapled with a single staple at the upper left-hand corner. Other bindings will not be accepted.

Page limitations refer to all files and associated documents, including attachments, graphics, footnotes, endnotes, bibliography, and any other pertinent documents, when printed in their entirety (single sided), unless otherwise indicated in this solicitation.

The project narrative should provide a clear description of the work to be undertaken and how it will be accomplished. It should address the technical merit review criteria listed in section 5.

b. Full Application Content. Assemble information in the following order: cover page, project summary, project narrative, statement of need, project coordinator(s) and partner(s), goals and objectives, technical approach work plan, impact on National Forest System lands on hazardous fuels treatments, environmental documentation, project work plan and timeline, social impacts, evaluation and monitoring, equipment description, budget justification, budget requirements, financial feasibility, and appendices.

Detailed financial information is requested to assess the potential and the capability of the applicant. This information will remain confidential. Business consultants and small business development centers can help applicants compile this information. Small business development centers are one source of assistance; their Web site is <http://www.sba.gov/sbdc>. For-profit applicants are required to submit a business plan consisting of the following elements: Management Plan, Marketing Plan, Proforma Statement, Project Break-Even Analysis, and a Sources and Uses Table. Non-profit applicants are required to submit a strategic plan consisting of the following elements: Scope of Work, Capability Statement, Implementation plan, Project Break-Even Analysis, and a Sources and Uses Table. Local, State, and tribal governments and special purpose

districts are required to submit the following: scope of work, project work plan, and cost/benefit analysis (examples can be found at <http://www.fpl.fs.fed/tmu> (under biomass grants)).

c. Full Application Delivery. Full applications must be received at the Forest Products Laboratory no later than 5 p.m., Central Standard time on May 16, 2005; no exceptions will be allowed. All applicants must use certified or express mail service that allows tracking and documentation (e.g., Federal Express, U.S. Postal Service, United Parcel Service, or other) to submit their applications. Hand-delivered, e-mail, or fax applications will not be accepted. Please send full applications to the address provided in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

8. Appendices. The following information must be included in the appendix of the pre-application and the full-application package:

a. Letter of support and biomass availability from local USDA Forest Service District Ranger or Forest Supervisor: This letter must describe the status of NEPA, acres, timeframes, available volumes, and opportunities for applicant to access these volumes.

b. Letters of Support from Partners, Individuals, or Organizations: Letters of support should be included in an appendix and are intended to display the degree of collaboration occurring between the different entities engaged in the project. These letters must include commitments of cash or in-kind services from all partners and must support the amounts listed in the budget. Each letter of support should be limited to one (1) page in length.

c. Key Personnel Qualifications: Qualifications of the project manager should be included in an appendix. Qualifications are limited to two (2) pages in length and should contain the following: resume, biographical sketch, references, and demonstrated ability to manage the grant.

Dated: February 3, 2005.

Bov B. Eav,

Associate Deputy Chief for Reserach & Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Madera County Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Resource Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393) the Sierra National Forest's Resource Advisory Committee for Madera County will meet on Monday, February 14, 2005. The Madera Resource Advisory Committee will meet at the Bass Lake Ranger District Office, North Fork, CA, 93643. The purpose of the meeting is: review the goals for FY 2005 RAC proposals and presentation of potential stewardship projects on the Sierra National Forest.

DATES: The Madera Resource Advisory Committee meeting will be held Monday, February 14, 2005. The meeting will be held from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Madera County RAC meeting will be held at the Bass Lake Ranger District Office, 57003 Road 225, North Fork, CA 93643.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dave Martin, U.S.D.A., Sierra National Forest, Bass Lake Ranger District, 57003 Road 225, North Fork, CA 93643, (559) 877-2218 ext. 3100; e-mail: dmartin05@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Review of goals for FY 2005 RAC proposals; (2) presentation of potential stewardship projects on the forest.

Dated: February 4, 2005.

David W. Martin,

District Ranger, Bass Lake Ranger District.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 020705B]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Habitat Committee (HC) will hold a working meeting which is open to the public.

DATES: The HC meeting will be held Thursday, March 3, 2005, from 10 a.m. until approximately 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The HC meeting will be held at the Hotel Vintage Plaza, Burgundy Room, 422 SW Broadway, Portland, OR 97205. Telephone: 800-263-2305.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, Oregon 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jennifer Gilden, Associate Staff Officer; telephone: 503-820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the HC meeting is to review habitat-related issues on the agenda of the March 2005 Council meeting in Sacramento, California. Several of these agenda items relate to marine reserves. The HC will also discuss fish habitat issues associated with the Klamath River, and essential fish habitat issues associated with oyster culture.

No management actions will be decided by the HC. Although nonemergency issues not contained in the meeting agendas may come before the HC for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at 503-820-2280 at least five days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: February 7, 2005.

Alan D. Risenhoover,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D.012805A]

Endangered Species; File No. 1516

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Thomas F. Savoy, CT Department of Environmental Protection, Marine Fisheries Division, P.O. Box 719, Old Lyme, Connecticut, 06371, has applied in due form for a permit to take shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before March 14, 2005.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)427-2521; and Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (978)281-9328; fax (978)281-9394.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)427-2521, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail. The mailbox address for providing email comments is NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: File No. 1516.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Jefferies or Jennifer Skidmore, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

Mr. Savoy is seeking a permit to enable the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection to conduct scientific research on shortnose sturgeon in the three major rivers in the state. Annually, 450 fish would be captured via gill net, trammel net, and trawl; measured; PIT tagged; and