

assistance to qualified beginning farmers or ranchers. The Secretary has also appointed farmers and ranchers to the Committee.

USDA Departmental Regulation 1042-119 dated November 25, 1998, first established the Committee and designated FSA to provide support. Approximately one-third of the Committee membership was replaced when the Committee charter was reestablished on August 27, 2003. Approximately one-third of the 20 existing members will be replaced when the charter is renewed in August 2005. FSA is now accepting nominations of individuals to serve for a 2-year term on the Committee. Reappointments are made to assure effectiveness and continuity of operations. The duration of the Committee is indefinite. No member, other than a USDA employee, can serve for more than 6 consecutive years.

The Committee meets at least once a year and all meetings are open to the public. Committee meetings provide an opportunity for members to exchange ideas and provide advice on ways to increase opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers. Members discuss various issues and draft recommendations, which are submitted to the Secretary in writing.

Nominations are being sought through the media, the **Federal Register**, and other appropriate methods. Persons nominated for the Committee will be required to complete and submit an Advisory Committee Membership Background Information Questionnaire (Form AD-755). Submission of this form will constitute a nomination. Letters of recommendation may also be submitted. The questionnaire is available on the Internet at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/dafl/Downloads/ad755.pdf>.

Questionnaires can be completed online. However, nominees must print their completed forms from an Adobe PDF file and mail or fax them to the above address or fax number. The form may also be requested by telephone, fax, or e-mail. All inquiries about the nomination process and submissions of the AD-755 should be made to Mark Falcone at the addresses and numbers listed above. Appointments to the Committee will be made by the Secretary of Agriculture. Equal opportunity practices, consistent with USDA policies, will be followed in making all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the Department, membership should include, to the extent practicable,

individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, persons with disabilities, and senior citizens.

Signed in Washington, DC, on April 29, 2005.

James R. Little,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Black Hills National Forest Advisory Board Public Meeting Dates Announced

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The Black Hills National Forest Advisory Board (NFAB) has announced its meeting dates for the remainder of 2005. These meetings are open to the public, and public comment is accepted at any time in writing and during the last 15 minutes of each meeting for spoken comments. Persons wishing to speak are given three minutes to address the Board.

Meeting dates are:

June 15

July 20

August 17

September 21

October 19

November 16

December 14

January 4, 2006

ADDRESSES: Meetings will be given at 1 PM and end no later than 5 PM at the West River Ag Center, 1905 Plaza Boulevard, Rapid City, SD 57731.

AGENDAS: The Board will consider a variety of issues related to national forest management. Agendas will be announced in advance in the news media but principally concern travel management, fire and insect problems, invasive species, and forest fragmentation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Frank Carroll, Black Hills National Forest, 25041 North Highway 16, Custer, SD 57730, (605) 673-9200.

Dated: May 11, 2005.

Marisue Hilliard,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Siuslaw Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Siuslaw Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Florence, OR. The purpose of the meeting is to Review RAC FY06 Business, Public Forum and 2006 Project Review/Recommendations.

DATES: The meeting will be held June 9, 2005 beginning at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue Station, 2625 Hwy. 101, Florence, OR 97439.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda Stanley, Community Development Specialist, Siuslaw National Forest, (541) 928-7085 or write to Forest Supervisor, Siuslaw National Forest, P.O. Box 1148, Corvallis, OR 97339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A public input period will begin at 10 a.m. The meeting is expected to adjourn at 4 p.m.

Dated: May 12, 2005.

Joni Quarnstrom,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Meeting of the Agricultural Air Quality Task Force

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Agricultural Air Quality Task Force (AAQTF) will meet to continue discussions on critical air quality issues in relation to agriculture. Special emphasis will be placed on obtaining a greater understanding about the relationship between agricultural production and air quality.

DATES: The meeting will convene on Wednesday, June 22, 2005, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., and will resume on Thursday, June 23, 2005, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Individuals with written materials, and those who have requests to make oral presentations, should contact NRCS, at the address on the following page, on or before June 8, 2005.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ambassador Hotel, 3100 I-40 West,

Amarillo, Texas; telephone: (806) 358-6161. Written material and requests to make oral presentations should be sent to Elvis L. Graves, Acting Designated Federal Official, NRCS, 400 East Northwood Street, Suite 410, Greensboro, North Carolina 27401.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Questions or comments should be directed to Elvis L. Graves, Acting Designated Federal Official; telephone: (336) 370-3347, extension 421; fax: (336) 370-3376; email: elvis.graves@gnb.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this meeting is given under the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2. Additional information concerning the AAQTF, may be found on the World Wide Web at <http://aaqtf.tamu.edu/>.

Draft Agenda of the June 22-23, 2005, Meeting of the AAQTF

A. *Welcome to Amarillo, Texas*

1. Local and NRCS officials

B. *Discussion of Minutes from Meeting of Previous Task Force*

C. *Discussion of Documents to be Approved by the End of the Meeting and Subsequently Presented to Secretary Johanns*

D. *Subcommittee Presentations*

1. Emerging Issues Committee Report
2. Research Committee Report
3. Policy Committee Report
4. Education/Technology Transfer Committee Report

E. *Local Research Presentations*

1. Texas A&M University—Field Research

F. *Regional Haze Rule—Rural Particle and Ammonia Monitoring Programs*

G. *Environmental Protection Agency Update*

H. *Pesticide Volatile Organic Compounds*

I. *Next Meeting, Time and Place*

J. *Public Input*

(Time will be reserved before lunch and at the close of each daily session to receive public comment. Individual presentations will be limited to 5 minutes).

Procedural

This meeting is open to the public. At the discretion of the Chair, members of the public may give oral presentations during the meeting. Those persons wishing to make oral presentations should notify Mr. Graves no later than June 8, 2005. A person submitting written material that would like a copy distributed to each member of the committee in advance of the meeting should submit 30 copies to Mr. Graves no later than June 8, 2005.

Information on Services for Individuals With Disabilities

For information on facilities or services for individuals with disabilities, or to request special assistance at the meeting, please contact Mr. Graves. The Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age, sexual orientation, or disability. Additionally, discrimination on the basis of political beliefs and marital or family status is also prohibited by statutes enforced by USDA (not all prohibited bases apply to all programs). Persons with disabilities who require alternate means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audio tape, etc.) should contact the USDA's Target Center at (202) 720-2000 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Signed in Washington, DC on May 4, 2005.

Bruce I. Knight,

Chief.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Housing Service

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: Rural Housing Service (RHS), USDA.

ACTION: Proposed collection; Comments requested.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the Rural Housing Service's intention to request an extension for a currently approved information collection in support of the program for the Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by July 18, 2005 to be assured of consideration.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Arlene Nunes, Senior Loan Specialist, Multi-Family Housing Processing Guaranteed Loan Division, Rural Housing Service, USDA, Stop 0781, 1400 Independence Avenue., SW., Washington, DC 20250, telephone, (202) 401-2307.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Program.

OMB Number: 0575-0174.

Expiration Date of Approval: October 31, 2005.

Type of Request: Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection.

Abstract: On March 28, 1996, President Clinton signed the "Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996." One of the provisions of the Act was the authorization of the Section 538 Guaranteed Rural Rental Housing Loan Program, adding the program to the Housing Act of 1949. The program has been designed to increase the supply of affordable multifamily housing through partnerships between RHS and major lending sources, as well as State and local housing finance agencies and bond issuers. Qualified lenders will be authorized to originate, underwrite, and close loans for multifamily housing projects requiring new construction or acquisition with rehabilitation of at least \$6,500 per unit will be considered.

The housing must be available for occupancy only by low or moderate income families or persons, whose incomes at the time of initial occupancy do not exceed 115 percent of the median income of the area. After initial occupancy, a tenant's income may exceed these limits; however, rents, including utilities, are restricted to no more than 30 percent of the 115 percent of area median income for the term of the loan.

The Secretary is authorized under Section 510(k) to prescribe regulations to ensure that these federally funded loans are made to eligible applicants for authorized purposes. The lender must evaluate the eligibility, cost, benefits, feasibility, and financial performance of the proposed project. The information submitted by the lender to the Agency is used by the Agency to manage, plan, evaluate, and account for Government resources. This information is required to ensure the proper and judicious use of public funds.

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15.88 man hours per response.

Respondents: Nonprofit and for-profit lending corporations and public bodies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 462.

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: 6.5.

Estimated Number of Responses: 3020.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 1,588 hours.

Copies of this information collection can be obtained from Tracy Givelekian, Regulations and Paperwork Management Branch, at (202) 692-0039.