

public inspection at the office above during regular business hours (7 CFR 1.27(b)).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the March 19, 2009, **Federal Register** (74 FR 11711), GIPSA requested applications for designation to provide official services in the geographic area named above. Applications were due by April 1, 2009.

Idaho, Lewiston, Ohio Valley, and Utah were the sole applicants for designation to provide official services in the areas currently assigned to them, so GIPSA did not ask for additional comments on them.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in section 7(f)(1) of the USGSA (7 U.S.C. 79(f)) and determined Idaho, Lewiston, Ohio Valley, and Utah are

able to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the March 19, 2009, **Federal Register**, for which they applied. This designation action to provide official services in the specified area is effective October 1, 2009 and terminates on September 30, 2012.

Interested persons may obtain official services by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

| Official agency | Headquarters location and telephone | Designation start | Designation end |
|-------------------|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Idaho | Pocatello, ID (208-233-8303) Additional Location: Blackfoot, ID. | 10/1/2009 | 9/30/2012 |
| Lewiston | Lewiston, ID (208-746-0451) | 10/1/2009 | 9/30/2012 |
| Ohio Valley | Evansville, IN (812-423-9010) Additional Location: Hopkinsville, KY. | 10/1/2009 | 9/30/2012 |
| Utah | Salt Lake City, UT (801-392-2292) | 10/1/2009 | 9/30/2012 |

Section 7(f)(1) of the USGSA authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to designate a qualified applicant to provide official services in a specified area after determining that the applicant is better able than any other applicant to provide such official services (7 U.S.C. 79 (f)(1)).

Under section 7(g)(1) of the USGSA, designations of official agencies are effective for 3 years unless terminated by the Secretary but may be renewed according to the criteria and procedures prescribed in section 7(f) of the Act.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 71-87k.

J. Dudley Butler,

Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency

Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) To Invite Applications for the American Indian Credit Outreach Initiative

AGENCY: Farm Service Agency, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Farm Service Agency (FSA) is requesting applications for competitive cooperative agreement funds for Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 for the credit outreach initiative targeted to American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth residing primarily on Indian reservations within the contiguous United States. Subject to the availability of appropriations, FSA anticipates the availability of up to \$1,135,000 in funding and the award to one successful applicant through a Cooperative Agreement. This request for

applications is being made prior to passage of an FY 2010 appropriations bill to allow applicants sufficient time to submit proposals, give the Agency maximum time to process applications, and permit continuity of this program. There is no certainty that there will be appropriated funds to fund these applications, so applicants submitting applications prior to the availability of appropriated funds do so at the risk that there may be no funding. FSA requests proposals from eligible nonprofit organizations, land-grant institutions, and federally-recognized Indian tribal governments interested in a competitively-awarded cooperative agreement to create and implement a mechanism that will provide credit outreach and promotion, pre-loan education, and one-on-one loan application preparation assistance to American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth. Successful proposals may include other innovative services intended to enhance participation by American Indians in specific FSA Agricultural Credit Programs.

DATES: Applications must be completed and submitted to the Agency no later than 5 p.m. eastern time September 28, 2009. Late applications will not be accepted and will be returned to the applicant. Applicants must ensure that the service used to deliver the application can do so by the deadline. Due to security concerns, packages sent to the Agency by mail have been delayed several days or even weeks.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications and other required materials by mail to: Mike Hill, Director, Outreach Staff, Farm Service Agency, USDA, STOP 0511, Suite 508 Portals Building, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-0511.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mike Hill, (202) 690-1098; e-mail: mike.hill@wdc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of Solicitation

This solicitation is issued under 7 U.S.C. 2204b (b)(4), which authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into cooperative agreements to improve the coordination and effectiveness of Federal programs affecting rural areas. The principal objective of this cooperative agreement is to continue a national outreach program that enables American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth primarily located on Indian reservations in the contiguous United States to understand and have access to the various FSA Agriculture Credit Programs.

Proposal Requirements

All proposed approaches must include a plan for how the project will have the following capabilities in place within three months after acceptance of award:

(1) A data tracking system that records and tracks all project credit outreach activities and has the ability to provide detailed statistical information on an ad hoc basis, that must also be functional on a real-time basis as well as being available online through the Internet, and

(2) The demonstrated ability to deliver these credit outreach services utilizing the FSA online Farm Business Plan software program.

Proposals must demonstrate innovative and unique ways of ensuring that American Indians have improved access to FSA Agricultural Credit Programs through targeted outreach activities including targeted promotional campaigns, educational

programs, general information dissemination, and one-on-one assistance.

Background

Today, American Indians own and control approximately 66 million acres of agricultural lands held in trust by the United States Government and administered, for the most part, by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) of the Department of the Interior. Land-based agricultural enterprises are considered the primary source of revenue for most tribes, due in large part to their geographical isolation from any urban type industrial development activities. Thus, protecting this resource and utilizing it effectively is an important function of the elected tribal officials charged with operating business activities that take place within reservations.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) provides farmers and ranchers technical, financial, and educational resources. American Indian agricultural producers on reservations have historically been less able to benefit from USDA services than other farmers and ranchers. Since 1987, Congress has enacted Federal laws, such as the recent Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-246, 2008 Farm Bill), to address American Indians (and other socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers) lack of access to USDA's programs and services; this has resulted in beginning to close some of the gaps in access to these programs and services. As positive as these changes are, they have not fully addressed an implementation plan or the funds needed to carry out implementation of sorely needed agribusiness education and direct services to American Indian Reservation farmers and ranchers.

American Indian agribusinesses, as well as individual Indians, have consistently reported that the primary need in Indian agriculture is access to the capital required to own and operate their own farms or ranches. Therefore, FSA has created and implemented this cooperative funding mechanism to provide credit outreach and other related training and assistance services related to FSA's Agricultural Credit Programs, subject to funding, as a way to resolve some of the credit needs of Indian agriculture.

Definitions

The following definitions are applicable to this Notice.

Agency or FSA. The United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency.

Farm land. Land used for commercial agriculture crops, poultry and livestock enterprises, or aquaculture.

Federally-Recognized Indian Tribal Government. The governing body or a governmental agency of any Indian tribe, band, nation, or other organized group or community (including any Native village as defined in section 3 of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1602) certified by the Secretary of the Interior as eligible for the special programs and services provided through the Bureau of Indian Affairs.)

Land Grant Institutions.

(1) A 1994 institution (as defined in section 2 of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (7 U.S.C. 7601)), or an 1890 institution.

(2) An Indian tribal community college or an Alaska Native cooperative college.

(3) A Hispanic-serving institution (as defined in section 1404 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 (7 U.S.C. 3103)).

Non-Profit Organization. Any corporation, trust, association, cooperative, or other organization that:

(1) Is operated primarily for scientific, educational, service, charitable, or similar purposes in the public interest;

(2) Is not organized primarily for profit; and

(3) Is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as being certified as 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. 501(c)(3)).

Recipient Eligibility Requirements

Applicants must either be a non-profit organization, a Federally recognized Indian tribe, or a land grant institution as defined above. Applications without sufficient information to determine eligibility will not be considered.

Proposal Preparation

A proposal must contain an original and two copies of the following (Contact Mike Hill (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** above) if you need help getting the forms):

1. Form SF-424, "Application for Federal Assistance."

2. Form SF-424A, "Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs."

3. Form SF-424B, "Assurances—Non-Construction Programs."

4. Table of Contents. For ease of locating information, each proposal must contain a detailed Table of Contents immediately following the required Federal forms. The Table of Contents should include page numbers

for each component of the proposal. Pagination should begin immediately following the Table of Contents.

5. Proposal Summary. A summary of the project proposal, not to exceed one page, that includes the title of the project, a description of the project (including goals and tasks to be accomplished), the names of the individuals responsible for conducting and completing the tasks, and the expected time frame for completing all tasks (which should not exceed twelve months).

6. Eligibility. A detailed discussion, not to exceed two pages, describing how the applicant meets the definition of land grant institution, non-profit organization, or Federally recognized Indian tribal government. In addition, the applicant must describe all other collaborative organizations that may be involved in the project.

7. Proposal Narrative. The narrative portion of the project proposal must be in a font such as Times New Roman (12 pt.) or comparable font and must include the following:

(a) Project Title. The title of the proposed project must be brief, not to exceed 100 characters, yet represent the major thrust of the project.

(b) Information Sheet. A separate one page information sheet that lists each of the seven evaluation criteria listed in this NOFA (see the "Evaluation Criteria and Weights" section below) followed by the page numbers of all relevant material and documentation contained in the proposal that address or support that criteria.

(c) Goals and Objectives of the Project. A clear statement of the ultimate goals and objectives of the project must be presented.

(d) Evaluation Criteria. Each of the seven evaluation criteria listed in this NOFA (see the "Evaluation Criteria and Weights" section below) must be addressed specifically and individually by category. These criteria should be in narrative form with any specific supporting documentation attached as addenda and should be placed directly following the proposal narrative. If other materials, including financial statements, will be used to support any evaluation criteria it should also be placed directly following the proposal narrative. The applicant must also propose and delineate significant agency participation in the project.

Amount of Award

The amount of funds expected to be available for FY 2010 is up to \$1,135,000 although as noted above, the availability of funding is subject to appropriations for fiscal year 2010 and

there is no assurance there will be sufficient or any appropriations for this purpose. If actual funding differs from this amount, the Agency will publish a separate Notice of Funds Availability. Expenses incurred in developing applications will be at the applicant's risk.

Number of Awards

Only one cooperative agreement will be awarded.

Eligible Cooperative Agreement Fund Uses

Cooperative agreement funds may be used to cover allowable costs incurred by the recipient and approved by the Agency. Allowable costs are governed by 7 CFR parts 3015, 3016, and 3019, as applicable, and applicable Office of Management and Budget Circulars.

Ineligible Fund Uses

Cooperative agreement funds must not be used to:

- (1) Plan, repair, rehabilitate, acquire, or construct a building or facility (including a processing facility);
- (2) Purchase, rent, or install fixed equipment, including mobile and other processing equipment;
- (3) Pay for the preparation of the cooperative agreement application;
- (4) Pay expenses not directly related to the funded venture (for example, cooperative agreement funds cannot be used to support the organization's general operations);
- (5) Fund political or lobbying activities;
- (6) Pay costs incurred prior to receiving this Cooperative Agreement;
- (7) Fund any activity prohibited by 7 CFR parts 3015, 3016, and 3019, as applicable; and
- (8) Fund architectural or engineering design work for a specific physical facility.

Evaluation Criteria, Proposal Review

A National Office panel of USDA employees will review applications for eligibility, completeness, and responsiveness to this NOFA. Incomplete or non-responsive applications will be returned to the applicant and not evaluated further. If the submission deadline has not expired and time permits, ineligible applications may be returned to the applicants for possible revision.

The proposal will be evaluated using the criteria specified below. Failure to address any one of the criteria will disqualify the application. All proposals must be in compliance with this NOFA and applicable statutes.

Prior to technical examination, a preliminary review will be made by

FSA Outreach Staff for responsiveness to this solicitation. Proposals that do not fall within the solicitation guidelines or are otherwise ineligible will be eliminated from competition. All responsive proposals will be reviewed by a panel of reviewers using the evaluation criteria stated below. The selected USDA employee reviewers will be chosen to provide maximum expertise and objective judgment in the evaluation of proposals. Evaluated proposals will be ranked by the FSA Outreach Staff based on the evaluation criteria and weights listed below. Final approval of those proposals will be made by the Administrator of FSA, subject to the availability of funding.

Evaluation Criteria and Weights

All responsive proposals will be reviewed based on the following seven criteria:

(1) Applicant's Commitment and Resources (15 points). The standard evaluates the degree to which the organization is committed to the project, and the experience, qualifications, competency, and availability of personnel and resources to direct and carry out the project. In addition, the applicant must demonstrate its ability to deliver credit outreach services utilizing the FSA online Farm Business Plan software program within 3 months after acceptance of any financial award.

(2) Feasibility and Policy Consistency (20 points). The standard evaluates the degree to which the proposal clearly describes its objectives and evidences a high level of feasibility. This criterion relates to the adequacy and soundness of the proposed approach to the solution of the problem and evaluates the plan of operation, timetable, evaluation, and dissemination plans.

(3) Detailed Description of Collaborative Partnerships, if any, and Program Recipients (20 points). This standard evaluates the degree to which the proposal reflects partnerships and collaborative initiatives with other agencies or organizations to enhance the quality and effectiveness of the program. Additionally, the areas and number of underserved American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth who would benefit from the services offered will be evaluated.

(4) Outreach to Socially Disadvantaged American Indian Applicants (10 points). This standard evaluates the degree to which the proposal contains detailed programs to reach persons identified as socially disadvantaged American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth. The proposal will be evaluated for its potential for encouraging and assisting socially

disadvantaged American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth to utilize the various FSA agriculture credit programs. Elements considered include impact, continuation plans, innovation, and expected products and results.

(5) Innovative Strategies (25 points). This standard evaluates the degree to which the proposal reflects innovative strategies for reaching the population targeted in the proposal and achieving the project objectives. This standard will also evaluate data tracking capability. For data tracking, the standard evaluates evidence that the applicant has the ability to put in place within 3 months of award a data tracking system that can record and track all credit outreach activities and the ability to provide detailed statistical information on an ad hoc basis, with additional evidence supporting the system's ability to function on a real-time basis as well its ability to be available online through the Internet. For innovative solutions, the standard evaluates originality, practicality, and creativity in proposing ways to develop and test innovative solutions to existing or anticipated credit issues or problems of socially disadvantaged American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth. The proposal will be reviewed for its responsiveness to the need to provide socially disadvantaged American Indian farmers, ranchers, and youth with promotion, relevant information, and direct assistance in applying for and receiving FSA agriculture credit, and other essential information to enhance participation in agricultural programs and conduct a successful farming or ranching operation.

(6) Overall Quality of the Proposal (5 points). This standard evaluates the degree to which the proposal complies with this NOFA and is of high quality. Elements considered include adherence to instructions, accuracy and completeness of forms, clarity and organization of ideas, thoroughness and sufficiency of detail in the budget narrative, specificity of allocations between targeted areas if the proposal addresses more than one area, and completeness of vitae for all key personnel associated with the project.

(7) Accuracy of Proposed Budget and Justification (5 points). This standard evaluates the accuracy of the proposed budget and the accompanying budget justification. The proposed budget should provide a detailed description of each budget category that includes categorical subtotals as well as a separate budget justification that clearly defines and explains each and every proposed budget line item.

Selection Process

When the reviewers have completed their individual evaluations, the panel reviewers, based on the individual reviews, will make a recommendation to the Administrator that one responsive proposal be approved for support from available funds. Prior to award, the Administrator reserves the right to negotiate with an applicant whose project is recommended for funding regarding project revisions (for example, change in scope of work or the Agency's significant involvement), funding level, or period of support. A proposal may be withdrawn at any time before a final funding decision is made.

Cooperative Agreement Awards

Within the limit of funds available for such purpose, the Administrator will enter into a cooperative agreement with the successful applicant. The date specified by the Administrator as the effective date of the award will not be later than 12 months after the project is approved for support and funds are appropriated for such purpose, unless otherwise permitted by law.

When to Submit an Application

The deadline for receipt of all applications is 5 p.m. eastern time September 28, 2009. The Agency will not accept any application received after the deadline.

Cooperator Requirements

Cooperators will be required to do the following:

- Sign required Federal assistance forms including:
 - Form AD-1047, Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters—Primary Covered Transactions;
 - Form AD-1048, Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions;
 - Form AD-1049, Certification Regarding a Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (Grants); and
 - Form RD 400-4, Assurance Agreement (Civil Rights).
- Use Standard Form 270, Request for Advance or Reimbursement to request payments.
- Submit a Standard Form 269, Financial Status Report, and list expenditures according to agreed upon budget categories on a semi-annual basis. A semi-annual financial report is due within 45 days after the first 6-month project period and an annual financial report is due within 60 days after the second 6-month project period.
- Submit quarterly performance reports that compare accomplishments

to the objectives; if established objectives are not met, discuss problems, delays, or other problems that may affect completion of the project; establish objectives for the next reporting period; and discuss compliance with any special conditions on the use of awarded funds.

- Maintain a financial management system that is acceptable to the Agency.
- Submit a final project performance report.
- Sign an agency approved cooperative agreement (an example of which is provided at the end of this notice).

Other Federal Statutes and Regulations That Apply

In addition to the requirements provided in this notice, other Federal statutes and regulations apply to proposals considered for review and to our cooperative agreement awarded. These include, but are not limited to:

- 7 CFR part 15, subpart A, Nondiscrimination in Federally-Assisted Programs of the Department of Agriculture—Effectuation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964;
- 7 CFR part 3015, Uniform Federal Assistance Regulations;
- 7 CFR parts 3016, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments, as applicable;
- 7 CFR part 3017, Governmentwide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement);
- 7 CFR part 3018, New Restrictions on Lobbying;
- 7 CFR part 3019, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-profit Organizations, as applicable;
- 7 CFR part 3021, Governmentwide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Financial Assistance); and
- 7 CFR part 3052, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.

Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply to this NOFA because the program does not receive applications from more than 10 persons covered by the 5 CFR 1320.3(c).

Signed in Washington, DC, on August 21, 2009.

Jonathan W. Coppess,

Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

United States Department of Agriculture
Farm Service Agency
Cooperative Agreement—American
Indian Outreach Initiative

This Cooperative Agreement
(Agreement) dated _____,

between _____ (Cooperator), and the United States of America, acting through the Farm Service Agency of the Department of Agriculture (the Agency), for \$ _____ in cooperative agreement funds under the program, delineates the agreement of the parties.

Now, therefore, in consideration of the Agreement;

The parties agree that:

(1) All the terms and provisions of the Notice entitled "Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) Inviting Applications for the American Indian Credit Outreach Initiative," published in the **Federal Register** on August 27, 2009 and the application submitted by the Cooperator for this Agreement, including any attachments or amendments, are incorporated and included as part of this Agreement. Any changes to these documents or this agreement must be approved in writing by the Agency.

(2) As a condition of the Agreement, the Cooperator certifies that it is in compliance with and will comply in the course of the Agreement with all applicable laws, regulations, Executive Orders, and other generally applicable requirements, including those contained in 7 CFR 3015.205(b), which are incorporated into this agreement by reference, and such other statutory provisions as are specifically contained herein. The Cooperator will comply with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and Executive Order 12250.

(3) The provisions of 7 CFR part 3015, Uniform Federal Assistance Regulations, and 7 CFR part 3019, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Nonprofit Organizations, as applicable, are incorporated herein and made a part hereof by reference.

Further, the Cooperator agrees that it will:

(1) Not use cooperative agreement funds to plan, repair, rehabilitate, acquire, or construct a building or facility (including a processing facility); or to purchase, rent, or install fixed equipment.

(2) Use funds only for the purpose and activities specified in the proposal approved by the Agency including the approved budget. Any uses not provided for in the approved budget must be approved in writing by the Agency in advance of obligation by the Agency.

(3) Submit a Standard Form 269, Financial Status Report and list expenditures according to agreed upon budget categories on a semi-annual

basis. Reports are due by April 30 and October 30 after the cooperative agreement is awarded.

(4) Provide periodic reports as required by the Agency. A financial status report and a project performance report will be required on a semi-annual basis. The financial status report must show how cooperative agreement funds have been used to date and project the funds needed and their purposes for the next quarter. A final report may serve as the last semi-annual report. Cooperators must constantly monitor performance to ensure that time schedules are being met and projected goals by time periods are being accomplished. The project performance reports must include the following:

a. A comparison of actual accomplishments to the objectives for that period.

b. Reasons why established objectives were not met, if applicable.

c. Reasons for any problems, delays, or adverse conditions which will affect attainment of overall program objectives, prevent meeting time schedules or objectives, or preclude the attainment of particular objectives during established time periods. This disclosure must be accomplished by a statement of the action taken or planned to resolve the situation.

d. Objectives and timetables established for the next reporting period.

e. The final report will also address the following:

(i) What have been the most challenging or unexpected aspects of this program?

(ii) What advice you would give to other organizations planning a similar program? These should include strengths and limitations of the program. If you had the opportunity, what would you have done differently?

(iii) If an innovative approach was used successfully, the cooperator should describe their program in detail so that other organizations might consider replication in their areas.

5. Provide Financial Management Systems which will include:

a. Records that identify adequately the source and application of funds for cooperative agreement supported activities. Those records must contain information pertaining to grant and cooperative agreement awards and authorizations, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, liabilities, outlays, and income.

b. Effective control over and accountability for all funds, property, and other assets. Cooperator must adequately safeguard all such assets and

ensure that they are used solely for authorized purposes.

c. Accounting records supported by source documentation.

6. Retain financial records, supporting documents, statistical records, and all other records pertinent to the cooperative agreement for a period of at least 3 years after closing, except that the records must be retained beyond the 3-year period if audit findings have not been resolved. Microfilm or photocopies or similar methods may be substituted in lieu of original records. The Agency and the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives, must have access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Cooperator that are pertinent to the specific cooperative agreement program for the purpose of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcripts.

7. Not encumber, transfer, or dispose of the equipment or any part thereof, acquired wholly or in part with Agency funds without the written consent of the Agency.

8. Not duplicate other program purposes for which monies have been received, are committed, or are applied to from other sources (public or private).

9. Immediately refund to the Agency, at the end of the Agreement, any balance of unobligated funds received from the Agency.

The Agency agrees that it will:

1. Assist in defraying the project cost by reimbursing or advancing to the Cooperator under this Agreement an amount not to exceed [Funding Amount \$XX]. The funds will be reimbursed or advanced in accordance with applicable Federal regulations based on submission to the Agency by the Cooperator of a complete Standard Form 270.

2. Monitor the program as it is being implemented and operated.

3. Evaluate the performance reports submitted by the Cooperator and recommend revisions where necessary.

4. Halt activity, after written notice, if project objectives are not met.

5. Identify USDA points of contact to address program questions.

Authorized and executed this day

by: _____
(Cooperator)

(Title)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FARM SERVICE AGENCY

By:

(Name)

(Title)

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Mendocino Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Mendocino County Resource Advisory Committee will meet September 18, 2009 (RAC) in Willits, California. Agenda items to be covered include: (1) Approval of minutes, (2) Handout Discussion, (3) Public Comment, (4) Financial Report, (5) Subcommittees, (6) Matters before the group, (7) Discussion—approval of projects, (8) Next agenda and meeting date.

DATES: The meeting will be held on September 18, 2009, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mendocino County Museum, located at 400 E. Commercial St., Willits, California.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roberta Hurt, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Mendocino National Forest, Covelo Ranger District, 78150 Covelo Road, Covelo, CA 95428. (707) 983-6658; e-mail windmill@willitsonhine.com.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Persons who wish to bring matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff by September 14, 2009. Public commenters will have the opportunity to address the Committee at the meeting.

Dated: August 20, 2009.

Lee Johnson,

Designated Federal Official.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Reporting Requirements for Commercial Fisheries Authorization