This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Board for International Food and Agricultural Development; Notice of Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given of the public meeting of the Board for International Food and Agricultural Development (BIFAD). The meeting will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 24, 2011 at the National Press Club located at 529 14th St., NW., Washington, DC. “The Role of Higher Education in the Feed the Future Initiative” will be the central theme of the meeting.

Dr. Brady Deaton, the new Chair of BIFAD, will preside over the proceedings. Dr. Deaton is the Chancellor of the University of Missouri at Columbia.

The announcement of the 2011 World Food Prize Laureate at the State Department on June 21 and the “Feed the Future” Research Forum from June 21 to 23 provide the backdrop for the BIFAD public meeting on June 24. The meeting will include the participation of five new BIFAD presidential appointments. Including Dr. Deaton, those new members are Jo Luck, President of Heifer International, Marty McVey of McVey & Company Investments Inc., Gebisa Ejeta, Distinguished Professor, Department of Agronomy, Purdue University and Catherine Bertini, Chair, International Relations Program and Professor, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University. Board members with continuing service include Elsa Murano, Professor and President Emerita of Texas A&M University and William DeLauder, President Emeritus of Delaware State University. After opening remarks by Dr. Deaton, USAID Administrator Rajiv Shah will formally swear in the new Board members and make a short presentation. At the conclusion of Dr. Shah’s remarks, Dr. Deaton will acknowledge immediate past Chair Robert Easter and the other outgoing Board members for their service.

The BIFAD Spring public meeting will focus heavily on the USAID Feed the Future (FfF) Initiative. The first session will offer USAID and USDA perspectives on progress to date, taking into account specifically Title XII university perspectives. The panel of speakers will include Paul Weisenfeld, Assistant to the Administrator of the Bureau for Food Security; Julie Howard, Deputy Coordinator of the Feed the Future Initiative, and a USDA representative. Deanna Behring, Director of International Agriculture Programs at Penn State University will serve as respondent and provide university perspectives.

The second FfF session will review outcomes of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities (APLU)-led consultative process in response to the FTF research strategy. Dr. Montague Domment, Professor of Ecology at University of California-Davis and Associate Vice President for International Development of APLU, will provide an overview of the consultative process for the Board. USAID staff will provide an overview of the research priority outcomes. Because the Collaborative Research Support Programs (CRSPs) are among the major Title XII university-based research programs, a member of the CRSP Council will serve as a respondent to address additional issues.

The Board meeting is open to the public, and time will be allotted for a public comment period. The Board benefits greatly in hearing from the stakeholder community and others. To ensure that as many people as possible have the opportunity to contribute to the morning’s discussions, comments will be restricted to 3 minutes for each commenter. At the conclusion of the public comment period, the Board will adjourn the meeting to proceed to a luncheon and executive meeting (closed to the public).

Those wishing to attend the meeting or obtain additional information about BIFAD should contact Susan Owens, Executive Director and Designated Federal Officer for BIFAD. Interested persons may write her in care of the U.S. Agency for International Development, Ronald Reagan Building, Bureau for Food Security, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., Room 7.8–061, Washington, DC 20523–2110 or telephone her at (202) 712–0218 or fax (202) 216–3124.

Susan J. Owens,
Executive Director and USAID Designated Federal Officer for BIFAD, Office of Development Partners, U.S. Agency for International Development.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee for Trade; Renewal

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary), in coordination with the United States Trade Representative (USTR), has renewed the Agricultural Policy Advisory Committee for Trade (APAC).

DATES: Effective: June 9, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquiries or comments regarding the renewal of this committee may be sent by electronic mail to: Lorie.Fitzsimmons@fas.usda.gov and Steffon.Brown@fas.usda.gov, in the Office of Agreements and Scientific Affairs (OASA), or by fax to (202) 720–0340. OASA may be reached by telephone at (202) 720–6219, with inquiries directed to Lorie Fitzsimmons or Steffon Brown.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Introduction

The APAC is authorized by sections 135(c)(1) and (2) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (Pub. L. 93–618, 19 U.S.C. 2155). The purpose of this committee is to advise the Secretary and the USTR concerning agricultural trade policy. The committee is intended to ensure that representative elements of the private sector have an opportunity to express their views to the U.S. Government.
Rechartering of Existing Committees

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix), FAS gives notice that the Secretary and the USTR have renewed the APAC.

In 1974, Congress established a private sector advisory committee system to ensure that U.S. trade policy and negotiation objectives adequately reflect U.S. commercial and economic interests. The private sector advisory committee system currently consists of the following three tiers:

- The President’s Advisory Committee on Trade and Policy Negotiations;
- Five general policy advisory committees, including the APAC; and
- Twenty-two technical advisory committees, including the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees for Trade (ATACs).

The renewal of the APAC is in the public interest in connection with USDA’s performance of duties imposed on USDA by the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Dated: June 3, 2011.

Suzanne Heinen,
Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Foreign Agricultural Service

Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees for Trade; Renewal

AGENCY: Foreign Agricultural Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary), in coordination with the United States Trade Representative (USTR), has renewed the six Agricultural Technical Advisory Committees for Trade (ATACs).

DATES: Effective: June 9, 2011.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquiries or comments regarding the renewal of these committees may be sent by electronic mail to: Lorie.Fitzsimmons@fas.usda.gov and Steffon.Brown@fas.usda.gov, or by fax to (202) 720–0340. The Office of Agreements and Scientific Affairs may be reached by telephone at (202) 720–6219, with inquiries directed to Lorie Fitzsimmons or Steffon Brown.

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Rechartering of Existing Committees

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. Appendix), FAS gives notice that the Secretary and the USTR have renewed the following four ATACs:

- Animals and Animal Products;
- Fruits and Vegetables;
- Processed Foods, and;
- Sweeteners and Sweetener Products.

These ATACs are being reorganized by removing representation of the planting seeds industry from the Tobacco, Cotton, Peanuts and Planting Seeds (TCPSS) ATAC and adding representation of the planting seeds sector to the Grains, Feed, Oilseeds, and Planting Seeds (FOPS) ATAC. The justification for this structural change is that many of the issues that the CFO committee addresses, such as genetically modified organisms, new technologies and international negotiations, are common within the U.S. planting seeds industry. The proposed changes will result in the Tobacco, Cotton, Peanuts and Planting Seeds (TCP) ATAC and the Grains, Feed, Oilseeds, and Planting Seeds (FOPS) ATAC.

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- Twenty-two technical advisory committees, including the ATACs.

The reorganizing and renewal of such committees is in the public interest in connection with USDA’s performance of duties imposed on USDA by the Trade Act of 1974, as amended.

Dated: June 3, 2011.

Suzanne Heinen,
Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Information Collection; Perceptions of Risk, Trust, Responsibility, and Management Preferences Among Fire-Prone Communities in the Western United States

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Request for comment; notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Forest Service is seeking comments from all interested individuals and organizations on the revision of a currently approved information collection, Perceptions of Risk, Trust, Responsibility, and Management Preferences among Fire-Prone Communities in the Western United States.

DATES: Comments must be received in writing on or before August 8, 2011 to be assured of consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments concerning this notice should be addressed to Patricia L. Winter, Pacific Southwest Research Station, Forest Service, USDA, 4955 Canyon Crest Drive, Riverside, CA 92507.

The public may inspect comments received at Building One Reception, 4955 Canyon Crest Drive, Riverside, CA 92507, during normal business hours. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to (951) 680–1500 to facilitate entry to the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia L. Winter, Pacific Southwest Research Station, USDA FS, 951–680–1557. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Relay Service (FRS) at 1–800–877–8339 twenty-four hours a day, every day of the year, including holidays.

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