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.

**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Forest Service**

**Bridger-Teton Resource Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Bridger-Teton Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Cokeville, Wyoming. The Committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 112–141) (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the Committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with the Title II of the Act. The meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the meeting is to review and recommend projects authorized under Title II of the Act.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Monday September 17, 2012 at 6 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Cokeville Town Hall, in the Town Council Conference Room. The Town Hall is located at 110 Pine St, Cokeville WY 83114. Written comments may be submitted as described under Supplementary Information. All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at the Greys River Ranger District Office, 671 N Washington St, Afton WY 83110. Please call ahead to 307.886.5300 to facilitate entry into the building to view comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Adam Mendonca, Greys River District Ranger, Bridger-Teton National Forest, 307.886.5310 or amendonca@fs.fed.us. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting is open to the public. The following business will be conducted: (1) Discuss proposed projects. (2) Vote on proposed projects. (3) Public comment. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before the meeting. Written comments must be sent to Greys River Ranger District Office, 671 N Washington St, Afton WY 83110, or by email to amendonca@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 307.886.5339 by 4:30 p.m. on September 12, 2012. A summary of the meeting will be posted at https://fsplaces.fs.fed.us/docs/wo/secure_rural_schools.html.

**Meeting Accommodations:** If you require sign language interpreting, assistive listening devises or other reasonable accommodation please request this in advance of the meeting by contacting the person listed in the section titled For Further Information Contact. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

Dated: August 30, 2012.

Martha Williamson,

**Acting Kemmerer District Ranger.**

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Virginia State Technical Guide**

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), U.S. Department of Agriculture.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of proposed changes in the Virginia NRCS State Technical Guide for review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** It has been determined by the NRCS State Conservationist for Virginia that changes must be made in the NRCS State Technical Guide specifically in the following practice standards: Nutrient Management (590) and Feed Management (592). These practices will be used to plan and install conservation practices.

**DATES:** Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John A. Bricker, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 1606 Santa Rosa Road, Suite 209, Richmond, Virginia 23229–5014; Telephone number (804) 287–1691 or jack.bricker@va.usda.gov

Copies of the practice standards will be made available upon written request to the address shown above or on the Virginia NRCS Web site: http://www.va.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/draftstandards.html.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law to NRCS State technical guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days, the NRCS in Virginia will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period, a determination will be made by the NRCS in Virginia regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made to the subject standards.

Dated: August 14, 2011.

John A. Bricker,

State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Richmond, Virginia.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Bureau of the Census**

**Request for Nominations of Members To Serve on the Federal Economic Scientific Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** The Secretary of Commerce is requesting nominations of individuals
to the Federal Economic Scientific Advisory Committee. The Secretary will consider nominations received in response to this notice, as well as from other sources. The SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice provides committee and membership criteria.

DATES: Please submit nominations by October 9, 2012.


Nominations also may be submitted via fax at 301–763–5935, or by email to barbara.kathryn.atrostic@census.gov.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (as amended, Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2). The following provides information about the committee, membership, and the nomination process:

Objective and Duties

1. The Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee (the “Committee”) is administratively housed at the Economics and Statistics Administration (ESA), U.S. Department of Commerce. The Committee advises Directors of ESA’s two statistical agencies, the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) and the Census Bureau (Census), and the Commissioner of the Department of Labor’s Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) (“the agencies”) on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics.

2. The Committee functions solely as an advisory committee to the senior officials of BEA, Census and BLS in consultation with the Committee chairperson.

3. Important aspects of the Committee’s responsibilities include, but are not limited to:
   a. Recommending research to address important technical problems arising in federal economic statistics.
   b. Identifying areas in which better coordination of the agencies’ activities would be beneficial.
   c. Establishing relationships with professional associations with an interest in federal economic statistics.
   d. Coordinating, in its identification of agenda items, with other existing academic advisory committees chartered to provide agency-specific advice, for the purpose of avoiding duplication of effort.

4. The Committee reports to the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs who, as head of ESA, coordinates and collaborates with the agencies.

Membership

1. The Committee consists of approximately fourteen members who serve at the pleasure of the Secretary of Commerce.

2. Members are nominated by the Department of Commerce, in consultation with the agencies, under the coordination of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, and appointed by the Secretary.

3. Committee members are economists, statisticians, survey methodologists, and behavioral scientists, and are chosen to achieve a balanced membership across those disciplines.

4. Members shall be prominent experts in their fields, and recognized for their scientific and professional achievements and objectivity.
   a. Members serve as Special Government Employees (SGEs) and are subject to ethics rules applicable to SGEs.
   b. Members serve three-year terms. Members may be reappointed to any number of additional three-year terms.
   c. Should a committee member be unable to complete a three-year term, a new member may be selected to complete that term for the duration of the time remaining or begin a new term of three years.
   d. The agencies, by consensus agreement, shall appoint the chairperson annually from the committee membership. Chairpersons shall be permitted to succeed themselves.

Miscellaneous

1. Members of the Committee will not be compensated for their services, but will be reimbursed for travel expenses upon request.

2. The Committee meets approximately twice a year, budget permitting. Special meetings may be called when appropriate.

Nomination Information

1. Nominations are requested as described above.

2. Nominees must be economists, statisticians, survey methodologists, and behavioral scientists and will be chosen to achieve a balanced membership across those disciplines. Nominees must be prominent experts in their fields, and recognized for their scientific and professional achievements and objectivity. Such knowledge and expertise are needed to advise the agencies on statistical methodology and other technical matters related to the collection, tabulation, and analysis of federal economic statistics.

3. Individuals, groups, and/or organizations may submit nominations on behalf of an individual candidate. A summary of the candidate’s qualifications (résumé or curriculum vitae) must be included along with the nomination letter. Nominees must be able to actively participate in the tasks of the Committee, including, but not limited to regular meeting attendance, committee meeting discussion responsibilities, and review of materials, as well as participation in conference calls, webinars, working groups, and special committee activities.

4. The Department of Commerce is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks diverse Committee membership.

Dated: August 30, 2012.

Thomas L. Mesenbourg, Jr.,
Acting Director, Bureau of the Census.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economic Development Administration

Notice of Petitions by Firms for Determination of Eligibility To Apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance

AGENCY: Economic Development Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice and opportunity for public comment.

Pursuant to Section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2341 et seq.), the Economic Development Administration (EDA) has received petitions for certification of eligibility to apply for Trade Adjustment Assistance from the firms listed below. Accordingly, EDA has initiated investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each of these firms contributed importantly to the total or partial separation of the firm’s workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.