DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Geological Survey

Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC)


ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 106–503, the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee (SESAC) will hold its next meeting at Stanford University, in Palo Alto, California. The Committee is comprised of members from academia, industry, and State government. The Committee shall advise the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) on matters relating to the USGS’s participation in the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program.

The Committee will receive reports on the status of activities of the Program and progress toward Program goals and objectives. The Committee will assess this information and provide guidance on the future undertakings and direction of the Earthquake Hazards Program. Focus topics for this meeting include budget sequestration, rock mechanics research, induced seismicity, earthquake early warning and national earthquake hazard mapping.

Meetings of the Scientific Earthquake Studies Advisory Committee are open to the public.

DATES: November 6–7th, 2013, commencing at 8:30 a.m. on the first day and adjourning at 1:00 p.m. on November 7, 2013.

Contact: Dr. William Leith, U.S. Geological Survey, MS 905, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192, (703) 648–6786, wleith@usgs.gov.

Dated: October 22, 2013.

William Leith,
Designated Federal Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council (NEPEC)


ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 96–472, the National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council (NEPEC) will hold a one-and-a-half day meeting on November 4 and 5, 2013, at the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in Menlo Park, California. The Council is comprised of members from academia and the Federal Government. The Council shall advise the Director of the U.S. Geological Survey on proposed earthquake predictions, on the completeness and scientific validity of the available data related to earthquake predictions, and on related matters as assigned by the Director. Additional information about the Council may be found at: http://earthquake.usgs.gov/aboutus/nepec/.

At the meeting, the Council will receive several briefings on the history and current state of scientific investigations of earthquake processes in and around the San Andreas fault near the town of Parkfield in central California, and will be asked to advise the USGS on priorities for instrumentation and scientific investigations in the future. The Council will also hear updates on past topics of discussion, including work with social and behavioral scientists on improving hazard and risk messages; development of improved methods for calculation of short-term aftershock probabilities; USGS collaborative work with the Collaboratory for Study of Earthquake Predictability (CSEP); status of an updated Uniform California Earthquake Rupture Forecast (UCERF3); and on the delivery of near-real-time earthquake information by the National Earthquake Information Center (NEIC).

A draft meeting agenda is available from the Executive Secretary on request (contact information below), and will be posted to the Web site (above) when finalized. In order to ensure sufficient seating and hand-outs, it is requested that visitors pre-register by contacting the Executive Secretary by November 1. Members of the public wishing to make a statement to the Council should provide notice of that intention by November 1 so that time may be allotted in the agenda.

DATES: The meeting will be held in Building 3 of the USGS campus at 345 Middlefield Road, Menlo Park, California. The meeting will commence in the early afternoon of Monday, November 4, 2013, and continue the following day, November 5, 2013, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and adjourning at or before 4:00 p.m. Times are approximate. Guests are encouraged to contact the Executive Secretary for a copy of the agenda and instructions for parking and locating the meeting room.

Contact: Dr. Michael Blanpied, Executive Secretary, National Earthquake Prediction Evaluation Council, U.S. Geological Survey, MS 905, 12201 Sunrise Valley Drive, Reston, Virginia 20192, (703) 648–6696, Email: mblanpied@usgs.gov.

Dated: October 21, 2013.

Michael Blanpied,
Designated Federal Officer.

Call for Nominations for the Bureau of Land Management’s Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Committee, CA

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management, Interior.

ACTION: Call for nominations.

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is soliciting nominations from the public to fill positions on the Carrizo Plain National Monument Advisory Committee (MAC). MAC members provide advice and recommendations to the BLM on the management of public lands in the Carrizo Plain National Monument.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Individuals interested in serving on the MAC should send their nominations to the Bureau of Land Management, BLM Carrizo Plain National Monument, P.O. Box 800, Bakersfield, CA 93308. Individuals interested in this opportunity for public service should send nominations to: Johna Hurley, Monument Manager, BLM Carrizo Plain National Monument, P.O. Box 800, Bakersfield, CA 93308, or John Kelley, Carrizo Plain Program Support Technician, at 661–391–6093, jhurl@blm.gov or John Kelley, Carrizo Plain Program Support Technician, at 661–391–6088, jkelley@blm.gov. Persons who use telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 to contact the above individual during normal business hours. The FIRS is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, to leave a message or question with the above individual. You will receive a reply during normal business hours.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MAC provides representative citizen counsel and advice to the Secretary of the Interior through the BLM with respect to the revision and implementation of the comprehensive plan for the Carrizo Plain National Monument. The MAC consists of 10 members: