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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Marketing Service

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Notice of Meeting of the National Organic Standards Board

AGENCY: Agricultural Marketing Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, (5 U.S.C. App.), the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) is announcing an upcoming meeting of the National Organic Standards Board (NOSB). Written public comments are invited in advance of the meeting, and the meeting will include scheduled time for oral comments from the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held October 28–30, 2014, from 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. each day. The deadline to submit written public comments and sign up for oral public comments is Tuesday, October 7, 2014.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Galt House Hotel, 140 North Fourth St., Louisville, KY 40202, (502) 589–5200. Information and instructions pertaining to the meeting are posted at the following web address: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOSBMeetings>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For printed materials or additional information, write to Ms. Michelle Arsenault, Special Assistant, National Organic Standards Board, USDA–AMS–NOP, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Room 2648–So., Mail Stop 0268, Washington, DC 20250–0268; Phone: (202) 720–3252; Email: nosb@ams.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NOSB makes recommendations about whether a substance should be allowed or prohibited in organic production and/or handling, assists in the development of

standards for organic production, and advises the Secretary on other aspects of the implementation of the Organic Foods Production Act (7 U.S.C. 6501–6522). The NOSB currently has six subcommittees working on various aspects of the Organic Program. The subcommittees are: Compliance, Accreditation, and Certification; Crops; Handling; Livestock; Materials/ Genetically Modified Organisms; and Policy Development. The primary purpose of NOSB meetings is to provide an opportunity for the organic community to give input on proposed NOSB recommendations and discussion items. The meetings also allow the NOSB to receive updates from the USDA National Organic Program (NOP) on issues pertaining to organic agriculture. The meeting will be open to the public. The meeting agenda, NOSB proposals and discussion documents, instructions for submitting and viewing public comments, and instructions for requesting a time slot for oral comments are available on the NOP Web site at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOSBMeetings>. The discussion documents and proposals encompass a wide range of topics, including: substances petitioned to the National List of Allowed and Prohibited Substances (National List), substances on the National List that require NOSB review before their 2015 and 2016 sunset dates, updates from working groups on technical issues, and amendments to guidance on organic policies. This meeting will serve as the NOSB's review of substances that have a sunset date in 2015. This review will fulfill the NOSB's responsibilities described in the Organic Foods Production Act's sunset provision (section 2118(e)).

Public Comments: Written public comments will be accepted through Tuesday, October 7, 2014 via www.regulations.gov. Comments received after that date may not be reviewed by the NOSB before the meeting. The NOP strongly prefers comments to be submitted electronically; however, written comments may also be submitted by Tuesday, October 7, 2014 via mail to Ms. Michelle Arsenault, Special Assistant, National Organic Standards Board, USDA–AMS–NOP, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Room 2648–S, Mail Stop 0268, Washington, DC 20250–

0268. Instructions for viewing all comments are posted at www.regulations.gov and <http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOSBMeetings>.

The NOSB has scheduled time for oral comments from the public, and will accommodate as many individuals and organizations as possible during these sessions. Individuals and organizations wishing to make oral presentations at the meeting must pre-register to request one time slot by visiting <http://www.ams.usda.gov/NOSBMeetings> or by calling (202) 720–0081. The deadline to sign up for an oral public comment slot is Tuesday, October 7, 2014. All persons making oral presentations should also provide their comments in advance through the written comment process. Written submissions may contain supplemental information other than that presented in the oral presentation. Persons submitting written comments at the meeting are asked to provide two hard copies.

Meeting Accommodations: The meeting hotel is ADA Compliant, and the USDA provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this public meeting, please notify Michelle Arsenault at michelle.arsenault@ams.usda.gov or (202) 720–0081. Determinations for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

Dated: August 27, 2014.

Rex A. Barnes,
Associate Administrator, Agricultural Marketing Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet in Ketchikan, Alaska. The RAC is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (the Act) (Pub. L. 110–343) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee

Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The purpose of the RAC is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act. The meeting is open to the public. Additional information concerning the RAC, including the agenda, can be found by visiting the RAC's Web site at: https://fsplaces.fs.fed.us/fsfiles/unit/wo/secure_rural_schools.nsf/RAC/Ketchikan?OpenDocument.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 24, 2014 at 5:00 p.m.

All RAC meetings are subject to cancellation. For updated status of the meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Ketchikan Misty Fiords Ranger District, 3031 Tongass Avenue, Ketchikan, Alaska. 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 Ketchikan Misty Fiords Ranger District. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diane L. Daniels, RAC Coordinator, by phone at 907-228-4105, or via email at ddaniels@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 purpose of the meeting is to:

- (1) Review current projects; and
- (2) Recommend future projects the committee members feel should be funded.

The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should request in writing by September 19, 2014 to be scheduled on the agenda. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the RAC may file written statements with the committee staff before or after the meeting. Written comments and time requests for oral comments must be sent to Diane L. Daniels, RAC Coordinator, Ketchikan Misty Fiords Ranger District, 3031 Tongass Avenue, Ketchikan, Alaska

99901, or by email at ddaniels@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile at 907-225-8738.

Additional RAC information, including the summary/minutes can be found at the following Web site: https://fsplaces.fs.fed.us/fsfiles/unit/wo/secure_rural_schools.nsf/RAC/Ketchikan?OpenDocument 21 days after the meeting.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices or other reasonable accommodation for access to the facility or proceedings 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 29, 2014.

Jeffrey DeFreest,

District Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of Advocacy and Outreach

Beginning Farmers and Ranchers Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Office of Advocacy and Outreach, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), the Office of Advocacy and Outreach (OAO) is announcing a meeting of the Beginning Farmers and Ranchers Advisory Committee (Committee). The Committee is being convened to consider issues involving communications, service, and advocacy in identifying barriers for beginning farmers and ranchers. They will also consider issues around lending and credit in parsing statistics generated by USDA. Finally, the members will be drafting agency program-specific recommendations.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 23-24, 2014, from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. CST. There will be time allotted at the end of each day from 4:00-4:30 p.m. for public comments. All persons wishing to make comments during this meeting must check-in between 8:30 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on both days at the registration table. All public commenters will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. If the number of registrants requesting to speak is greater than what can be

reasonably accommodated during the scheduled open public hearing timeframe, a lottery will be implemented to determine the speakers for the scheduled open public comment session.

ADDRESSES: This public advisory committee meeting will be held at the Austin Marriott South, 4415 S. IH-35, Austin, TX 78744. Complimentary parking is available on site. There is also a short-term drop-off area directly in front of the entrance to the hotel property. There will be signs in the main lobby of the hotel noting the meeting room assignments.

A listen-only conference call line will be available from 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. CST each day for all who wish to listen in on the proceeding through the following telephone number: (888) 942-8514 and enter passcode 6697201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions should be directed to Phyllis Morgan, Executive Assistant, OAO, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Whitten Bldg., 520-A, Washington, DC 20250, Phone: (202) 720-6350, Fax: (202) 720-7136, email: Phyllis.Morgan@osec.usda.gov.

Public written comments for the Committee's consideration may be submitted, by close of business September 17, 2014, to Mrs. Kenya Nicholas, Designated Federal Official, USDA OAO, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., Room 520-A, Washington, DC 20250-0170, Phone (202) 720-6350, Fax (202) 720-7136, Email: ACBFR@osec.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FACA requires that notices for advisory committee meetings be published in the **Federal Register** at a minimum of 15 days prior to the meeting date. The Committee recently met in Davis, California to consider the efficiency and value of programs and policies of the Department's programs affecting new farmers and ranchers. The Farm Service Agency, Natural Resource Conservation Service, Rural Development, Marketing and Regulatory Programs (Organic and Sustainable Agriculture), and the Agricultural Marketing Service put specific questions before the Committee as a context for the recommendations. In addition to finalizing those recommendations, the Committee may also be asked to consider new inquiries from these programs on policies that affect beginning farmers and ranchers. Representatives from all agencies represented at the June 2014 meeting will be available (on-call via teleconference) to respond to any clarifying questions the Committee may have. Please visit our Web site at: <http://>