

substantial issues bearing on the effects of this action are brought to our attention and provided the product meets all requirements for approval.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before June 13, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2016-0020>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2016-0020, Regulatory Analysis and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2016-0020> or in our reading room, which is located in Room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 799-7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Donna Malloy, Operational Support Section, Center for Veterinary Biologics, Policy, Evaluation, and Licensing, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 148, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231; phone (301) 851-3426, fax (301) 734-4314.

For information regarding the environmental assessment or the risk analysis, or to request a copy of the environmental assessment (as well as the risk analysis with confidential business information removed), contact Dr. Patricia L. Foley, Risk Manager, Center for Veterinary Biologics, Policy, Evaluation, and Licensing, VS, APHIS, 1920 Dayton Avenue, P.O. Box 844, Ames, IA 50010; phone (515) 337-6100, fax (515) 337-6120.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Virus-Serum-Toxin Act (21 U.S.C. 151 *et seq.*), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) is authorized to promulgate regulations designed to ensure that veterinary biological products are pure, safe, potent, and efficacious. Veterinary biological products include viruses, serums, toxins, and analogous products of natural or synthetic origin, such as vaccines, antitoxins, or the immunizing components of microorganisms intended for the diagnosis, treatment, or prevention of diseases in domestic animals.

APHIS issues licenses to qualified establishments that produce veterinary biological products and issues permits to importers of such products. APHIS also enforces requirements concerning production, packaging, labeling, and shipping of these products and sets standards for the testing of these products. Regulations concerning veterinary biological products are contained in 9 CFR parts 101 to 124.

Veterinary biological products meeting the requirements of the regulations may be considered for addition to the U.S. National Veterinary Stockpile (NVS). The NVS is the nation's repository of vaccines and other critical veterinary supplies and equipment. It exists to augment State and local resources in responding to high-consequence livestock diseases that could potentially devastate U.S. agriculture, seriously affect the economy, and threaten public health. The NVS vaccines would be used in APHIS programs or under U.S. Department of Agriculture control or supervision. The manufacturer of Classical Swine Fever Virus Vaccine, Live Pestivirus Vector, has been awarded a contract to supply the vaccine to the NVS for emergency use in the United States. The addition of this vaccine to the stockpile would not preclude private development and use of other vaccines meeting the requirements of the Virus-Serum-Toxin Act.

To determine whether to authorize shipment and grant approval for the use of the imported product referenced in this notice, APHIS has considered the potential effects of this product on the safety of animals, public health, and the environment. Using a risk analysis and other relevant data, APHIS has prepared an environmental assessment (EA) concerning the safety testing of the following unlicensed veterinary biological product:

Requester: Zoetis, Inc.

Product: Classical Swine Fever Virus Vaccine, Live Pestivirus Vector.

The above-mentioned product is a single-dose 1-mL modified live product for emergency vaccination in an outbreak situation. The proposed indication is intramuscular administration to healthy swine 6 weeks of age or older as an aid in preventing mortality and viremia caused by classical swine fever virus.

Possible Field Use Locations: Where Federal and State authorities agree on use.

The EA has been prepared in accordance with: (1) The National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA), as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et*

seq.), (2) regulations of the Council on Environmental Quality for implementing the procedural provisions of NEPA (40 CFR parts 1500-1508), (3) USDA regulations implementing NEPA (7 CFR part 1b), and (4) APHIS' NEPA Implementing Procedures (7 CFR part 372).

Unless substantial issues with adverse environmental impacts are raised in response to this notice, APHIS intends to issue a finding of no significant impact based on the EA and authorize the importation under permit of the above product for distribution and sale for emergency use following the close of the comment period for this notice, provided the product meets all other requirements for approval.

Authority: 21 U.S.C. 151-159.

Done in Washington, DC, this 6th day of May 2016.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS-2015-0042]

Notice of Availability of an Evaluation of the Fever Tick Status of the State of Chihuahua, Excluding the Municipalities of Guadalupe y Calvo and Morelos

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: We are notifying the public that we have prepared an evaluation of the State of Chihuahua, excluding the municipalities of Guadalupe y Calvo and Morelos, for fever ticks. The evaluation concludes that this region is free from fever ticks, and that ruminants imported from the area pose a low risk of exposing ruminants within the United States to fever ticks. We are making the evaluation available for review and comment.

DATES: We will consider all comments that we receive on or before July 11, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by either of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* Go to <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2015-0042>.

- *Postal Mail/Commercial Delivery:* Send your comment to Docket No. APHIS-2015-0042, Regulatory Analysis

and Development, PPD, APHIS, Station 3A-03.8, 4700 River Road Unit 118, Riverdale, MD 20737-1238.

Supporting documents and any comments we receive on this docket may be viewed at <http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=APHIS-2015-0042> or in our reading room, which is located in room 1141 of the USDA South Building, 14th Street and Independence Avenue SW., Washington, DC. Normal reading room hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 799-7039 before coming.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Betzaida Lopez, Senior Staff Veterinarian, National Import Export Services, VS, APHIS, 4700 River Road Unit 39, Riverdale, MD 20737; (301) 851-3300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The regulations in 9 CFR part 93 prohibit or restrict the importation of certain animals, birds, and poultry into the United States to prevent the introduction of communicable diseases of livestock and poultry. Subpart D of part 93 (§§ 93.400 through 93.436, referred to below as the regulations) governs the importation of ruminants; within the regulations, §§ 93.424 through 93.429 specifically address the importation of various ruminants from Mexico into the United States.

The regulations in paragraph (b)(1) of § 93.427 contain conditions for the importation of ruminants from regions of Mexico that we consider free from fever ticks (*Boophilus annulatus*). Regions of Mexico that we consider free from fever ticks are listed at <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/wps/portal/aphis/ourfocus/importexport>. Currently, the State of Sonora is the only region on this list.

Mexico has asked the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service to recognize the State of Chihuahua, except the municipalities of Guadalupe y Calvo and Morelos, as a region free from fever ticks. In response to this request, we have prepared an evaluation of the fever tick status of this region. The evaluation concludes that the State of Chihuahua, excluding the municipalities of Guadalupe y Calvo and Morelos, is free from fever ticks, and that ruminants imported from the region pose a low risk of exposing ruminants within the United States to fever ticks.

We are making the evaluation available for public review and comment. The assessment is available on the Regulations.gov Web site (see

ADDRESSES above) or by contacting the person listed in this document under the heading **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. After the close of the comment period, we will notify the public of our final determination regarding the status of the State of Chihuahua, excluding the municipalities of Guadalupe y Calvo and Morelos, for fever ticks.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1622 and 8301-8317; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

Done in Washington, DC, this 6th day of May 2016.

Kevin Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Secure Rural Schools Resource Advisory Committees

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Call for Nominations.

SUMMARY: The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) is seeking nominations for the Secure Rural Schools Resource Advisory Committees (SRS RACs) pursuant the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110-343) (the Act) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C., App. 2). Additional information on the SRS RACs can be found by visiting SRS RACs Web site at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/pts/>.

DATES: Written nominations must be received by June 27, 2016. Nominations must contain a completed application packet that includes the nominee's name, resume, and completed Form AD-755 (Advisory Committee or Research and Promotion Background Information). The package must be sent to the address below.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** under Nomination and Application Information for the address of the SRS RAC Regional Coordinators accepting nominations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Bergendorf, Senior Program Specialist, Forest Service Secure Rural Schools Program, by telephone at (202) 205-1468, or by email at dwbbergendorf@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 a.m. and 5 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In accordance with the provisions of FACA, the Secretary of Agriculture is seeking nominations for the purpose of improving collaborative relationships among people who use and care for National Forests and provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act. The duties of SRS RACs include monitoring projects, advising the Secretary on the progress and results of monitoring efforts, and making recommendations to the Forest Service for any appropriate changes or adjustments to the projects being monitored by the SRS RACs.

SRS RACs Membership

The SRS RACs will be comprised of 15 members approved by the Secretary of Agriculture. SRS RACs membership will be fairly balanced in terms of the points of view represented and functions to be performed. The SRS RACs members will serve 4-year terms. The SRS RACs shall include representation from the following interest areas:

- (1) Five persons that—
 - (a) represent organized labor or non-timber forest product harvester groups;
 - (b) represent developed outdoor recreation, off-highway vehicle users, or commercial recreation activities;
 - (c) represent energy and mineral development, or commercial or recreational fishing interests;
 - (d) represent the commercial timber industry; or
 - (e) hold Federal grazing or other land use permits, or represent nonindustrial private forest land owners, within the area for which the committee is organized.
- (2) Five persons that represent—
 - (a) nationally recognized environmental organizations;
 - (b) regionally or locally recognized environmental organizations;
 - (c) dispersed recreational activities;
 - (d) archaeological and historical interests; or
 - (e) nationally or regionally recognized wild horse and burro interest groups, wildlife or hunting organizations, or watershed associations.
- (3) Five persons that—
 - (a) hold State elected Office (or designee);
 - (b) hold county or local elected office;
 - (c) represent American Indian tribes within or adjacent to the area for which the committee is organized;
 - (d) are school officials or teachers; or
 - (e) represent the affected public at large.