DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
Forest Service

Tri-County Resource Advisory Committee; Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Tri-County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold a virtual meeting. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (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 Title II of the Act. RAC information and virtual meeting information can be found at the following website: https://www.fs.usda.gov/main/bdnf/workingtogether/advisorycommittees.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, June 1, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. (MDT).

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

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held virtually. For virtual meeting information, please contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Jeanne Dawson, RAC Coordinator, by phone at 406–683–3987 or by email at jeanne.dawson@usda.gov.

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. Introduce the new RAC members;
2. Elect a RAC Chairperson;
3. Discuss and determine if the RAC will recommend fee change proposals for developed recreation sites on National Forest lands;
4. Discuss and determine whether RAC funds will be used to fund committee members’ travel costs to the public meetings; and
5. Discuss and recommend new Title II projects.

This meeting is open to the public.

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 Monday, May 18, 2020, to be scheduled on the agenda. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the committee may file written statements with the committee staff before or after the meeting. Written comments, requests for time for oral comments or requests for instructions to participate virtually must be sent to Jeanne Dawson, RAC Coordinator, 420 Barrett Street, Dillon, Montana 59725; by email to jeanne.dawson@usda.gov or by phone at 406–683–3987.

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, please contact the person listed in the section titled FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.


Cikena Reid,
Committee Management Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Commodity Credit Corporation

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

[Docket number RBS–20–CO–OP–0018]

Solicitation of Applications for the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP) for Fiscal Year 2020

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation and the Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; announcement of opening date for Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program application window.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) and the Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBCS), a Rural Development agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), announced its general policy and application procedures for funding under the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP) in a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) on May 5, 2020 in the Federal Register. The HBIIP will provide up to $100 million in competitive grants to eligible entities for activities designed to expand the sales and use of renewable fuels under the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP). This Notice announces the opening date for the HBIIP application window.

DATES: Applications for the Higher Biofuels Infrastructure Incentive Program will be accepted from May 15, 2020 through August 13, 2020. Applications received after 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on August 13, 2020, will not be considered. The grant period is not to exceed 18-months, unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement or agreed to by CCC.

ADDRESSES:
Application Submission: The application system for electronic submissions will be available through http://www.rd.usda.gov/HBIIP.

Electronic submissions: Electronic submissions of applications will allow for the expedient review of an Applicant’s proposal. As a result, all Applicants must file their application electronically. Applicants’ requests to establish an applicant user account will be available through http://www.rd.usda.gov/HBIIP.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:
For general inquiries regarding the HBIIP, contact Anthony Crooks: telephone (202) 205–9322, email: EnergyPrograms@usda.gov. Persons with disabilities that require alternative means for communication should contact the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Target Center at (202) 720–2600 (voice).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Authority: This solicitation is issued pursuant to; 62 Stat 1070, and the Commodity Credit Corporation Charter Act of 1948 (Charter Act); U.S. Code 15 U.S.C. 714.

Overview
Federal Agency: The Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) and the Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBCS), (USDA).

Funding Opportunity Title: Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP) for Fiscal Year 2020.

Announcement Type: Solicitation of Applications; announcement of opening date for Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program application window. The grant period is not to exceed 18-months, unless otherwise specified in the Grant Agreement or agreed to by CCC.”

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Title: The Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP)—10.754.

I. Background

On May 5, 2020, the CCC and RBCS (the Agency) published a NOFA in the Federal Register announcing the availability of up to $100 million in competitive grants to eligible entities for activities designed to expand the sales and use of renewable fuels under the Higher Blends Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP). The Agency stated in the NOFA that it would finalize the application window for enrollment in the HBIIP by notice in the Federal Register and Grants.gov. subject to future opening of the electronic application system. The purpose of this Notice is to announce that the Agency will begin to accept applications for the HBIIP beginning May 15, 2020.

II. General Funding Information

Grants for up to 50 percent of total eligible project costs, but not more than $5 million, are made available to vehicle fueling facilities, including, but not limited to, local fueling stations/locations, convenience stores (CS), hypermarket fueling stations (HFS), fleet facilities, and fuel terminal operations, midstream partners, and/or distribution facilities.

A. Type of Instrument

Grants. Awards to successful applicants will be in the form of cost-share grants for up to 50 percent of total eligible project costs, but not to exceed $5 million, whichever is less.

B. Available Funds

Under HBIIP, up to $100 million is made available to eligible participants. Of the total amount of available funds, approximately $86 million will be made available to transportation fueling facilities (including fueling stations, convenience stores, hypermarket fueling stations, fleet facilities, and similar entities with capital investments) for eligible implementation activities related to higher blends of fuel ethanol greater than 10 percent ethanol, such as E15 or higher; and approximately $14 million will be made available to transportation fueling facilities and fuel distribution facilities (including terminal operations, depots, and midstream partners), for eligible implementation activities related to higher blends of biodiesel greater than 5 percent biodiesel, such as B20 or higher.

C. Approximate Number of Awards

The number of awards will depend on the number of eligible participants and the total amount of requested funds. In the unlikely event that every successful applicant is awarded the maximum amount available of $5 million, 20 awards will be made. The Agency intends/expects to make approximately 150 awards and provide assistance to 1,500 locations from this solicitation.

III. Program Requirements

To be eligible for an award, applications must meet all the requirements contained in the NOFA published in the Federal Register on May 5, 2020 at 85 FR 26656.

Information can also be found at http://www.rd.usda.gov/HBIIP.

Robert Stephenson,
Executive Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.

Mark Brodziski,
Acting Administrator, Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of meetings.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a planning meeting of the North Dakota Advisory Committee to the Commission will be held by teleconference at 12:00 p.m. (CDT) on Monday, June 1, 2020. The purpose of the meeting is for planning of its next civil rights project.

DATE AND TIME: Monday, June 1, 2020, at 12:00 p.m. CDT.


TDD: Dial Federal Relay Service 1–800–877–8339 and give the operator the above conference call number and conference ID.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Evelyn Bohor, at ebohor@usccr.gov or by phone at (202) 376–7533.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Interested members of the public may listen to the discussion by calling the following toll-free conference call-in number: 1–800–458–4121 and conference call 4347843. Please be advised that before placing them into the conference call, the conference call operator will ask callers to provide their names, their organizational affiliations (if any), and email addresses (so that callers may be notified of future meetings). Callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls they initiate over land-line connections to the toll-free conference call-in number.

Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the discussion by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–