achieve positive outcomes. Stakeholders must notify NRCS during registration of their wish to speak at the listening session. NRCS will then evaluate the challenges, needed breakthroughs, and priorities through the virtual listening session. The stakeholders may provide feedback on any of the following questions:

- For agricultural producers: What is your most pressing water related issue that may constrain or currently constrains your operations?
- For non-producers and organizations: What is your most pressing water related issue that is needed by the agricultural community you assist?
- For producers and organizations: What is your most pressing water related issue with which NRCS can help you through a technical or financial assistance program or through facilitating and engaging in a collaboration or partnership?
- How can NRCS best coordinate with other Federal, State, and Local efforts to address water related issues?
- How can State Technical Committees assist in addressing your most pressing water related issues?
- What additional issues do you confront that NRCS should have awareness of?

NRCS expects to obtain input about the challenges, needed breakthroughs, and priorities through the virtual listening session and through submission of written comments. NRCS will treat stakeholder input equally. NRCS will then evaluate the challenges, needed breakthroughs, and priorities identified by this effort and will consider this information in its evaluation of existing programs and efforts to position these programs to achieve positive outcomes.

Meeting Agenda

The listening session will begin with a brief opening remarks, with an overview of NRCS efforts to address water related issues in the west, from USDA and NRCS leadership. Individual speakers providing oral comments will be limited to 3 minutes each. However, if all speakers can be accommodated within time for the listening session, individual speaking times may be adjusted at the written request of the stakeholder (use the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT information provided above in this notice). If, at 3 minutes each, the time allotted to registered speakers exceeds the available time for the listening session, a limited number of speakers will be selected on a first-come, first-serve basis.

If you are called upon during the listening session to provide oral comments and you or your representative are not available to speak, your opportunity to provide oral comments will pass to another speaker.

Meeting Times

The listening session will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2020, starting at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time. A mid-day break will be scheduled at approximately 12:00 p.m. (noon). The listening session will resume at 1:30 p.m. and continue to approximately 3:30 p.m.

NRCS may decide to extend the listening session to Friday, December 18, 2020. At the end of the listening session on Thursday, December 17, 2020, NRCS will announce whether an extension of the listening session will occur on Friday, December 18, 2020, or whether the listening session will conclude on Thursday, December 17, 2020. If the listening session is extended to Friday, December 18, 2020, the listening session will begin at 10:00 a.m. Eastern time and end at approximately 12:00 p.m. (noon). The listening session on Friday, December 18, 2020, may end earlier if there are no additional oral comments to be presented from anyone who registered to provide oral comments.

Oral and Written Comments

We request that speakers providing oral comments also provide a written copy of their comments. All written comments have the same due date, as specified above in this notice.

Registration Required To Attend

There is no registration fee for the public listening session, but pre-registration is mandatory for anyone who wishes to attend.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the New York Advisory Committee

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

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 that the New York Advisory Committee (Committee) will hold a meeting on Friday, December 18, 2020, from 1:00–2:15 p.m. EST for the purpose of discussing the Committee’s project on evictions in New York.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, December 18, 2020, from 1:00–2:00 p.m. EST.

Public Call Information: Dial: (800) 367–2403; Conference ID: 7109728.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mallory Trachtenberg, DFO, at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov or 202–809–9618.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the public can listen to the discussion. This meeting is available to the public through the following toll-free call-in number. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. The conference operator will ask callers to identify themselves, the organizations they are affiliated with (if any), and an email address prior to placing callers into the conference call. 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 landline connections to the toll-free telephone number. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–977–8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and conference ID number.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Mallory Trachtenberg at mtrachtenberg@usccr.gov in the Regional Programs Unit Office/Advisory Committee Management Unit. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at 202–809–9618.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/apex/FACAPublicCommittee?id=a100000001.gzmAAQA under the Commission on Civil Rights, New York Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are also directed to the Commission’s website, http://www.usccr.gov, or may contact the Regional Programs Unit office at the above email or phone number.

**Agenda**

I. Welcome and Roll Call  
II. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting  
III. Discussion: Evictions in New York  
IV. Public Comment  
V. Next Steps  
VI. Adjournment

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments; Rice University, et. al.

This is a decision pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, as amended by Pub. L. 106–36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). On October 19, 2020, the Department of Commerce published a notice in the Federal Register requesting public comment on whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments identified in the docket(s) below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States. See Application(s) for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments, 85 FR 66305, October 19, 2020 (Notice). We received no public comments. Related records can be viewed through prior arrangement with Ms. Dianne Hanshaw at Dianne.Hanshaw@trade.gov.

Decision: Approved. We know of no instruments of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as this is intended to be used, that were being manufactured in the United States at the time of order. Reasons: According to the applicant, the instrument will be used to conduct research in the broad areas of material research, thin-film metal semiconductors, biophotonics devices, and x-ray imaging and topography devices. These physical platforms will manifest in the forms of devices (ranging from 1–200 cm²) that will then be taken to individual laboratories for further experimentation in the aforementioned fields under the guidance and scope of the Texas A&M University research communities.


Decision: Approved. We know of no instruments of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as this is intended to be used, that were being manufactured in the United States at the time of order. Reasons: According to the applicant, the instrument will be used to conduct research in the broad areas of material research, thin-film metal semiconductors, biophotonics devices, and x-ray imaging and topography devices. These physical platforms will manifest in the forms of devices (ranging from 1–200 cm²) that will then be taken to individual laboratories for further experimentation in the aforementioned fields under the guidance and scope of the Texas A&M University research communities.


Decision: Approved. We know of no instruments of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as this is intended to be used, that were being manufactured in the United States at the time of order. Reasons: According to the applicant, the instrument will be used to study precision measurement for the particle beam position in the Advanced Photon Source Upgrade storage ring. The measurement information is used to steer the particle beam and photon beam that will be used as a three-dimensional X-ray microscope for experimental purposes. The materials/phenomena include material properties analysis, protein mapping for pharmaceutical companies, X-ray imaging and chemical composition determination and many others, but are not limited to grain structure, grain boundary and interstitial defects and morphology. These properties are not only studied at ambient environments, but also under