DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Northwest Forest Plan Area Advisory Committee; Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Northwest Forest Plan Advisory Committee will hold a public meeting according to the details shown below. The Committee is authorized under the National Forest Management Act (the Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA). The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice and pragmatic recommendations regarding potential regional scale land management planning approaches and solutions within the Northwest Forest Plan Area within the context of the 2012 planning rule.

DATES: An in-person and virtual meeting will be held on January 30, 2024, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Pacific standard time (PST), January 31, 2024, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. PST, and February 1, 2024, 9 a.m.–12 p.m. PST.

Written and Oral Comments: Anyone wishing to provide in-person oral comments must pre-register by 11:59 p.m. PST on January 24, 2024. Written public comments will be accepted through 11:59 p.m. PST on January 24, 2024. Comments submitted after this date will be provided by the Forest Service to the Committee, but the Committee may not have adequate time to consider those comments prior to the meeting.

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

ADRESSES: This meeting will be held in person at the University of Oregon, 1395 University Street, Eugene, OR 97403. Committee information and meeting details can be found at the following website: https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/r6/landmanagement/planning/?cid=fseprd1078013 or by contacting the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

Written Comments: Written comments must be sent by email to sm.fs.nwfp_facac@usda.gov or via mail (i.e., postmarked) to Katie Heard, USDA Forest Service, 1220 Southwest 3rd Avenue, Suite G015, Portland, OR 97204. The Forest Service strongly prefers comments be submitted electronically.

Oral Comments: Persons or organizations wishing to make oral comments must pre-register by 11:59 p.m. PST, January 24, 2024, and speakers can only register for one speaking slot. Requests to pre-register for oral comments must be sent by email to sm.fs.nwfp_facac@usda.gov or via mail (i.e., postmarked) to Katie Heard, USDA Forest Service, 1220 Southwest 3rd Avenue, Suite G015, Portland, OR 97204.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Eberlien, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), by phone at 707–562–9000 or email at Jennifer.Eberlien@usda.gov or Katie Heard, FACA Coordinator, at Kathryn.Heard@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to:

1. Review subcommittee considerations regarding initial recommendations for updates to the Northwest Forest Plan;

2. Work to refine recommendations and identify next steps to develop Northwest Forest Plan components; and

3. Schedule the next meeting.

The agenda will include time for individuals to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should make a request in writing at least three days prior to the meeting date to be scheduled on the agenda. Written comments may be submitted to the Forest Service up to 14 days after the meeting date listed under DATES.

Please contact the person listed under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT, by or before the deadline, for all questions related to the meeting. 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 upon request.

Meeting Accommodations: The meeting location is compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the USDA provides reasonable accommodation to individuals with disabilities where appropriate. If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpretation, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodation to the person listed under the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section or contact USDA’s TARGET Center at (202) 720–2600 (voice and TTY) or USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

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Equal opportunity practices in accordance with USDA’s policies will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken in account the needs of the diverse groups served by USDA, membership shall include to the extent possible, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.


Cikena Reid,
USDA Committee Management Officer.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Utilities Service

[Docket #: RUS–22–TELECOM–0058]

Notice of Funding Opportunity for the Community Connect Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2023

AGENCY: Rural Utilities Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice, correction, and extension of application window.

SUMMARY: The Rural Utilities Service (RUS or the Agency), a Rural Development (RD) agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) in the Federal Register on March 20, 2023, to announce the acceptance of applications under the Community Connect Grant (CCG) program for Fiscal Year 2023. The NOFO also announced the availability of approximately $79 million for FY 2023 that would be made available to eligible applicants to construct broadband networks that provide
service on a community-oriented connectivity basis in rural areas. This correction notice is amending the definition of an Eligible Service Area and announcing an extension of the application window until February 20, 2024. Existing and new applicants should refer to the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice for additional guidelines on being considered for funding under this opportunity and the public notice requirement that applies.

DATES: The changes in this correction notice are effective December 19, 2023. Completed applications for grants must be submitted electronically by no later than 11:59 a.m. Eastern Time (ET), February 20, 2024.

ADDRESSES: All applications must be submitted electronically at: https://www.rd.usda.gov/community-connect. This correction to the funding opportunity will also be posted to https://www.grants.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Randall Millhiser at randall.millhiser@usda.gov, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Loan Origination and Approval, RUS, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Mail Stop 1590, Room 4121–S, Washington, DC 20250–1590, or call (202) 578–6926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Authority: The CCG program is authorized under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 (RE Act) and implemented by 7 CFR part 1739.

Application Submission: Existing applicants that submitted an application under the original application window will need to review their application to determine if the submission remains eligible as a result of the change made to an eligible Proposed Funded Service Area in this notice. If the application is still eligible or is adjusted to become eligible, applicants must resubmit their application under this new window to be considered for funding. New applicants that meet the eligibility requirements of 7 CFR 1739 and the NOFO as amended by this notice may also submit an application for consideration.

Public Notice Requirement: The Public Notice requirement applies to all submitted applications. Once the application window closes, the Agency will publish a public notice of each application in accordance with 7 CFR 1739.15(l).

Corrections
In FR Doc. 2023–05549 of March 30, 2023 (88 FR 16579),

1. Column 3, page 16579, revise the DATE section to read as follows:

DATES: Completed applications for grants must be submitted electronically by no later than 11:59 a.m. Eastern Time (ET), February 20, 2024.

2. Column 3, page 16580, under Section C.3(a), Other, revise subparagraph (i) in its entirety and the first sentence of subparagraph (iv) to read as follows:

(i) RUS will validate that broadband service does not exist in areas that applicants describe as having no broadband access or access that is less than 10 Megabits per second (Mbps) downstream plus 1 Mbps upstream.

(iv) Areas receiving, or areas that have received final approval for, other federal funding to construct terrestrial facilities providing at least 10/1 Mbps service in the project Proposed Funded Service Area as of the date of this notice, and which have been reported to the agency, are ineligible. * * * * *

Andrew Berke,
Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA Rural Development.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

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Foreign-Trade Zones Board [B–64–2023]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 94, Notification of Proposed Production Activity: PREH INC.; (Automotive Display Assemblies); Laredo, Texas

The City of Laredo, grantee of FTZ 94, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board (the Board) on behalf of PREH INC., located in Laredo, Texas within FTZ 94. The notification conforming to the requirements of the Board’s regulations (15 CFR 400.22) was received on December 6, 2023. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ production activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status material(s)/component(s) and specific finished product(s) described in the submitted notification (summarized below) and subsequently authorized by the Board. The benefits that may stem from conducting production activity under FTZ procedures are explained in the background section of the Board’s website—accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

The proposed finished product is automotive display assemblies (duty rate is duty-free). The proposed foreign-status materials and components include automotive display sub-assemblies, stainless steel screws, and polyethylene foil labels (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 8.5%). The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to duties under section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is January 29, 2024.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the “Online FTZ Information System” section of the Board’s website.

For further information, contact Juanita Chen at juanita.chen@trade.gov.


Elizabeth Whiteman,
Executive Secretary.

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