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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Office of the Chief Economist; Federal Advisory Committee for the Expert Review of Synthesis and Assessment Product 4.3

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Economist, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of Teleconference.

SUMMARY: The Federal Advisory Committee for the Expert Review of Synthesis and Assessment Product 4.3 (CERSAP) will hold a teleconference on Friday, December 7, 2007. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is the lead agency for Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment Product 4.3 (SAP 4.3) titled, *The Effects of Climate Change on Agriculture, Land Resources, Water Resources, and Biodiversity*. CERSAP will provide advice to the Secretary of Agriculture on the conduct of this study.

DATES: CERSAP will convene at 11 a.m. Eastern time on Friday, December 7. The teleconference is expected to last no more than 90 minutes. To receive call-in and password information, please contact Dr. Margaret Walsh at 202-720-9978 or mwalsh@oce.usda.gov no later than 5 p.m. Eastern time on Friday, November 30, 2007. Individuals who wish to attend in person must inform Dr. Walsh no later than 5 p.m. Eastern time on Friday, November 30, 2007. A conference room at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, Washington, DC 20250 will be made available for those who wish to attend in person. Upon entry, please have Security call 202-720-8651 for mandatory escort to the teleconference location.

ADDRESSES: The teleconference will be held by telephone, and those interested in participating can do so by obtaining call-in information or using the conference room provided at USDA.

Please contact Dr. Margaret Walsh at 202-720-9978 or mwalsh@oce.usda.gov for call-in information and password. Written materials for CERSAP's consideration prior to the meeting must be received by Dr. Margaret Walsh no later than Friday, November 30, 2007. Written materials may be sent to Dr. Margaret Walsh at mwalsh@oce.usda.gov. Individuals who wish to attend in person must inform Dr. Walsh no later than 5 p.m. Eastern time on Friday, November 30, 2007. A conference room at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue, Washington, DC 20250 will be made available for those who wish to attend in person. Upon entry, please have Security call 202-720-8651 for mandatory escort to the teleconference location.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Margaret Walsh, Global Change Program Office, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 202-720-9978 or mwalsh@oce.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a public meeting. In order to ensure a sufficient number of call-in lines, individuals who would like to participate in this teleconference must RSVP to Dr. Margaret Walsh before Friday, November 30, 2007 for access information. Written materials for CERSAP's consideration prior to the meeting must be received by Dr. Margaret Walsh no later than Friday, November 30, 2007. Individuals may make oral presentations. Those making oral presentations must inform Dr. Walsh when receiving the teleconference information that they plan to do so.

More information on CERSAP and on SAP 4.3 may be found online at http://www.usda.gov/oce/global_change/index.htm, <http://www.climatechange.gov/Library/sap/sap4-3/default.php>, and <http://www.sap43.ucar.edu/>.

Draft Meeting Agenda

Friday, December 7, 2007

- A. Welcome and Introductions.
- B. Update on SAP 4.3.
- C. Discussion of Process and Schedule.
- D. Public Comment (if applicable).

Time will be reserved for public comment. Individual presentations will be limited to five minutes. Updates to the meeting agenda can be found online at the URLs listed above.

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Keith Collins,

Chief Economist.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

White River National Forest; Eagle County, CO; 2007 Vail Ski Area Improvements Proposal

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The USDA Forest Service will prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to disclose the anticipated environmental effects of the 2007 Vail Ski Area Improvements proposal. The proposal includes projects designed to enhance the guest experience at Vail through a series of strategic, qualitative improvements and is tailored to improve Vail's ability to respond to its changing market/guests' demands and preferences.

DATES: Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by December 17th. The draft environmental impact statement is expected in May 2008 and the final environmental impact statement is expected in July 2008.

ADDRESSES: Send written comments Maribeth Gustafson, Forest Supervisor, c/o Roger Poirier, Winter Sports Program Manager, White River National

Forest, 900 Grand Avenue, Glenwood Springs, CO 81602-0948.

For further information, mail correspondence to: Don Dressler—Snow Ranger, Holy Cross Ranger District 24747 U.S. Highway 24, P.O. Box 190, Minturn, CO 81645.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Don Dressler—Snow Ranger, Holy Cross Ranger District 24747 U.S. Highway 24, P.O. Box 190, Minturn, CO 81645, drdressler@fs.fed.us or (970) 827-5157.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Proposed Action addresses issues related to the quality of the recreational experience. Presently, alpine skiing/snowboarding and other resort activities are provided to the public through a Special Use Permit (SUP) issued by the White River National Forest. All elements of the proposal remain within the existing SUP boundary area. The proposed improvements are consistent with the 2002 Revised White River National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan).

Purpose and Need for Action

The overall purpose and need for the Proposed Action is to enhance the guest experience through a series of strategic, qualitative improvements that will enable Vail to better respond to its changing market/guests' demands, expectations, and preferences—both in the near and long-term. The following basic needs are addressed by the Proposed Action:

- (1) Expedite mountain circulation and afternoon egress between Vail Mountain and the Vail Village / Lionshead base areas.
- (2) Improve skier/rider access to Sundown Bowl.
- (3) Improve Vail's lift and vehicular maintenance facilities.
- (4) Improve early-season and low snow year skiing/riding on the front side of Vail Mountain.
- (5) Provide additional on-mountain dining opportunities.
- (6) Improve access to West Earl's Bowl for both skiers/riders and mountain operations.
- (7) Segregate ski and snowboard racing/training from the general public.

Proposed Action

All proposed projects are within Vail's existing SUP boundary. The major aspects of the Proposed Action include:

- Upgrade Chair #5 (High Noon) to a high-speed, detachable chairlift;
- Install a high-speed, detachable chairlift in Sun Down Bowl;
- Construct a new on-mountain restaurant at the confluence of Chairs #4, #5, and #11;

- Expand the existing Golden Peak race venue to accommodate additional racing and training;

- Create a permanent, groomable route to the western extent of Earl's Bowl which will expedite skier/rider access as well as enhance Ski Patrol's ability to respond to their needs;

- Convert the existing Snow Summit SnowCat Garage into a lift maintenance facility, and construct a new, larger snowcat garage adjacent to it;

- Install additional snowmaking infrastructure on three existing trails—Simba, Upper Born Free, and Ledges—totalling approximately 95 acres of coverage;

- Infrastructural improvements associated with these projects are also proposed, including power line installation to the bottom of Chair #5 and the proposed Sun Down Chairlift, improvements to the existing Chair #5 access road, regrading terminal locations, and installation of retaining walls and culverts.

Responsible Official

The responsible official is Maribeth Gustafson, Forest Supervisor for the White River National Forest, 900 Grand Ave., P.O. Box 948, Glenwood Springs, Colorado 81602. The responsible official will document the decision and reasons for the decision in a Record of Decision. That decision will be subject to appeal under 36 CFR part 215 or part 251.

Nature of Decision To Be Made

Based on the analysis that will be documented in the forthcoming EIS, the responsible official will decide whether or not to implement, in whole or in part, the Proposed Action or another alternative developed by the Forest Service.

Scoping Process

Public questions and comments regarding this proposal are an integral part of this environmental analysis process. Comments will be used to identify issues and develop alternatives to Vail's proposal. To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments should be as specific as possible.

Input provided by interested and/or affected individuals, organizations and governmental agencies will be used to identify resource issues that will be analyzed in the Draft EIS. The Forest Service will identify significant issues raised during the scoping process, and use them to formulate alternatives, prescribe mitigation measures and project design features, or analyze environmental effects.

Comment Requested

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process which guides the development of the environmental impact statement.

Early Notice of Importance of Public Participation in Subsequent Environmental Review: A draft environmental impact statement will be prepared for comment. The comment period on the draft environmental impact statement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes, at this early stage, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of draft environmental impact statements must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final environmental impact statement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980). Because of these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45-day comment period so that substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final environmental impact statement.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the

public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21)

Dated: November 9, 2007.

Maribeth Gustafson,

White River National Forest Supervisor.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Deletions

ACTION: Proposed Deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to delete from the Procurement List products previously furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

Comments Must Be Received on or Before: December 16, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO SUBMIT COMMENTS CONTACT: Kimberly M. Zeich, Telephone: (703) 603-7740, Fax: (703) 603-0655, or e-mail CMTEFedReg@jwod.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 47(a)(2) and 41 CFR 51-2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

Deletions

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. If approved, the action may result in additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities.
2. If approved, the action may result in authorizing small entities to furnish the products to the Government.
3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the products proposed for deletion from the Procurement List.

Comments on this certification are invited. Commenters should identify the

statement(s) underlying the certification on which they are providing additional information.

End of Certification

The following products are proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

Products

Enamel

NSN: 8010-01-336-5062.

NSN: 8010-01-348-3060.

NPA: Lighthouse for the Blind, St. Louis, MO.

Contracting Activity: General Services Administration, Heartland Global Supply, Kansas City, MO.

Pen, Cushion Grip, Transparent (Alpha Grip)

NSN: 7520-01-446-4851—Purple Ink, Fine Point.

NSN: 7520-01-446-4852—Purple Ink, Medium Point.

Pen, Gel

NSN: 7520-01-484-5257—Purple, Medium.

Pen, Non-retractable, Gel Ink, "Alpha Elite"

NSN: 7520-01-500-5216—Purple.

NPA: Alphapointe Association for the Blind, Kansas City, MO.

Contracting Activity: General Services Administration, Office Supplies & Paper Products Acquisition Center, New York, NY.

Kimberly M. Zeich,

Director, Program Operations.

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Addition and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Addition to and Deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: This action adds to the Procurement List a service to be furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities, and deletes from the Procurement List a product and services previously furnished by such agencies.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 16, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, Jefferson Plaza 2, Suite 10800, 1421 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202-3259.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kimberly M. Zeich, Telephone: (703)

603-7740, Fax: (703) 603-0655, or e-mail CMTEFedReg@jwod.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Addition

On September 21, 2007, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notice (72 FR 53989) of proposed additions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the material presented to it concerning capability of qualified nonprofit agencies to provide the service and impact of the addition on the current or most recent contractors, the Committee has determined that the service listed below are suitable for procurement by the Federal Government under 41 U.S.C. 46-48c and 41 CFR 51-2.4.

Regulatory Flexibility Act Certification

I certify that the following action will not have a significant impact on a substantial number of small entities. The major factors considered for this certification were:

1. The action will not result in any additional reporting, recordkeeping or other compliance requirements for small entities other than the small organizations that will furnish the service to the Government.
2. The action will result in authorizing small entities to furnish the service to the Government.
3. There are no known regulatory alternatives which would accomplish the objectives of the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Act (41 U.S.C. 46-48c) in connection with the service proposed for addition to the Procurement List.

End of Certification

Accordingly, the following service is added to the Procurement List:

Service

Service Type/Location: Janitorial/Grounds Maintenance, Customs and Border Protection, New Sector Headquarters, 211 Aten Road, Imperial, CA.

NPA: ARC-Imperial Valley, El Centro, CA.

Contracting Activity: Department of Homeland Security, Customs and Border Protection, Washington, DC.

Deletions

On August 10 and September 21, 2007, the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled published notice (72 FR 45008; 53989) of proposed deletions to the Procurement List.

After consideration of the relevant matter presented, the Committee has determined that the product and services listed below are no longer suitable for procurement by the Federal