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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Newspapers To Be Used for Publication of Legal Notice of Appealable Decisions and Publication of Notice on Proposed Actions for Southern Region; Alabama, Kentucky, Georgia, Tennessee, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Virginia, West Virginia, Arkansas, Oklahoma, North Carolina, South Carolina, Texas, Puerto Rico

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Deciding Officers in the Southern Region will publish notice of decisions subject to administrative appeal under 36 CFR parts 215 and 217 in the legal notice section of the newspapers listed in the Supplementary Information section of this notice. As provided in 36 CFR 215.5(a) and 36 CFR 217.5(d), the public shall be advised, through **Federal Register** notice, of the principal newspaper to be utilized for publishing legal notices of decisions. Newspaper publication of notices of decisions is in addition to direct notice of decisions to those who have requested notice in writing and to those known to be interested in or affected by a specific decision.

In addition, the Responsible Officials in the Southern Region will also publish notice of proposed actions under 36 CFR 215 in the newspapers that are listed in the Supplementary Information section of this notice. As provided in 36 CFR 215.5(a), the public shall be advised, through **Federal Register** notice, of the principal newspapers to be utilized for publishing notices on proposed actions.

DATES: Use of these newspapers for purposes of publishing legal notices of decisions subject to appeal under 36 CFR parts 215 and 217, and notices of proposed actions under 36 CFR part 215

shall begin on or after the date of this publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jean Paul Kruglewicz, Regional Appeals Coordinator, Southern Region, Planning, 1720 Peachtree Road, NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30367-9102, Phone: 404-347-4867.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Deciding Officers in the Southern Region will give legal notice of decisions subject to appeal under 36 CFR Part 217 and Responsible Officials in the Southern Region will give notice of decisions subject to appeal under 36 CFR part 215 in the following newspapers which are listed by Forest Service administrative unit. Responsible Officials in the Southern Region will also give notice of proposed actions under 36 CFR part 215 in the following principal newspapers which are listed by Forest Service administrative unit. The timeframe for comment on a proposed action shall be based on the date of publication of the notice of the proposed action in the principal newspaper. The timeframe for appeal shall be based on the date of publication of the legal notice of the decision in the principal newspaper for both 36 CFR 215 and 217.

Where more than one newspaper is listed for any unit, the first newspaper listed is the principal newspaper that will be utilized for publishing the legal notices of decisions. Additional newspapers listed for a particular unit are those newspapers the Deciding Officer expects to use for purpose of providing additional notice.

The following newspapers will be used to provide notice.

Southern Region

Regional Forester Decisions

Affecting National Forest System lands in more than one state of the 13 states of the Southern Region and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Atlanta Journal, published daily in Atlanta, GA.

Southern Region

Regional Forester Decisions

Affecting National Forest System lands in only one state of the 13 states of the Southern Region and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or only one Ranger District will appear in the principal newspaper elected by the

National Forest of that state or Ranger District.

National Forest in Alabama, Alabama

Forest Supervisor Decisions

Montgomery Advertiser, published daily in Montgomery, AL.

District Ranger Decisions

Bankhead Ranger District: Northwest Alabamian, published weekly (Monday & Thursday) in Haleyville, AL.

Concuh Ranger District: The Andalusia Star, published daily (Tuesday through Saturday) in Andalusia, AL.

Oakmulgee Ranger District, The Tuscaloosa News, published daily in Tuscaloosa, AL.

Shoal Creek Ranger District: The Anniston Star, published daily in Anniston, AL.

Talladega Ranger District: The Daily Home, published daily in Talladega, AL.

Tuskegee Ranger District: Tuskegee News, published weekly (Thursday) in Tuskegee, AL.

Caribbean National Forest, Puerto Rico

Forest Supervisor Decisions

El Nuevo Dia, published daily in Spanish in San Juan, PR.

San Juan Star, published daily in English in San Juan, PR.

Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest, Georgia

Forest Supervisor Decisions

The Times, published daily in Gainesville, GA.

District Ranger Decisions

Armuchee Ranger District: Walker County Messenger, published bi-weekly (Wednesday & Friday) in Lafayette, GA.

Toccoa Ranger District: The News Observer published weekly (Wednesday) in Blue Ridge, GA.

Brasstown Ranger District: North Georgia News, published weekly (Wednesday) in Blairsville, GA.

Tallahassee Ranger District: Clayton Tribune, published weekly (Thursday) in Clayton, GA.

Chattooga Ranger District: Northeast Georgian, published weekly (Tuesday) in Cornelia, GA.

Chieftain & Toccoa Record, published weekly (Thursday) in Toccoa, GA.

White County News & Telegraph, published weekly (Thursday) in Cleveland, GA.

Cohutta Ranger District: Chatsworth Times, published weekly (Wednesday) in Chatsworth, GA.

Oconee Ranger District: Monticello News, published weekly (Thursday) in Monticello, GA.

Cherokee National Forest, Tennessee
Forest Supervisor Decisions

Knoxville News Sentinel, published daily in Knoxville, TN (covering McMinn, Monroe, and Polk Counties).

Johnson City Press, published daily in Johnson City, TN (covering Carter, Cocke, Greene, Johnson, Sullivan, Unicoi and Washington Counties).

District Ranger Decisions

Ocoee Ranger District: Polk County News, published weekly (Wednesday) in Benton, TN.

Hiwassee Ranger District: Daily Post-Athenian, published daily (Monday-Friday) in Athens, TN.

Tellico Ranger District: Monroe County Advocate, published weekly (Thursday) in Sweetwater, TN.

Nolichucky Ranger District: Greeneville Sun, published daily (Monday-Saturday) in Greeneville, TN.

Unaka Ranger District: Johnson City Press, published daily in Johnson City, TN.

Watauga Ranger District: Elizabethton Star, published daily (Sunday-Friday) in Elizabethton, TN.

Daniel Boone National Forest, Kentucky
Forest Supervisor Decisions

Lexington Herald-Leader, published daily in Lexington, KY.

District Ranger Decisions

Morehead Ranger District: Morehead News, published bi-weekly (Tuesday and Friday) in Morehead, KY.

Stanton Ranger District: The Clay City Times, published weekly (Thursday) in Stanton, KY.

Berea Ranger District: Jackson County Sun, published weekly (Thursday) in McKee, KY.

London Ranger District: The Sentinel-Echo, published tri-weekly (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday) in London, KY.

Somerset Ranger District: Commonwealth-Journal, published daily (Sunday through Friday) in Somerset, KY.

Stearns Ranger District: McCreary County Record, published weekly (Tuesday) in Whitley City, KY.

Redbird Ranger District: Manchester Enterprise, published weekly (Thursday) in Manchester, KY.

National Forests in Florida, Florida
Forest Supervisor Decisions

The Tallahassee Democrat, published daily in Tallahassee, FL.

District Ranger Decisions

Apalachicola Ranger District: The Liberty Journal, published weekly (Wednesday) in Bristol, FL.

Lake George Ranger District: the Ocala Star Banner, published daily in Ocala, FL.

Osceola Ranger District: The Lake City Reporter, published daily (Monday-Saturday) in Lake City, FL.

Seminole Ranger District: The Daily Commercial, published daily in Leesburg, FL.

Wakulla Ranger District: The Tallahassee Democrat, published daily in Tallahassee, FL.

Francis Marion & Sumter National Forest, South Carolina

Forest Supervisor Decisions

The State, published daily in Columbia, SC.

District Ranger Decisions

Enoree Ranger District: Newberry Observer, published tri-weekly (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday) in Newberry, SC.

Andrew Pickens Ranger District: Seneca Journal and Tribune, published bi-weekly (Wednesday and Friday) in Seneca, SC.

Long Cane Ranger District: The Augusta Chronicle, published daily in Augusta, GA.

Wambaw Ranger District: News and Courier, published daily in Charleston, SC.

Witherbee Ranger District: News and Courier, published daily in Charleston, SC.

George Washington and Jefferson National Forests, Virginia

Forest Supervisor Decisions

Roanoke Times, published daily in Roanoke, VA.

District Ranger Decisions

Lee Ranger District: Shenandoah Valley Herald, published weekly (Wednesday) in Woodstock, VA.

Warm Springs Ranger District: The Recorder, published weekly (Thursday) in Monterey, VA.

Pedlar Ranger District: News-Gazette, published weekly (Wednesday) in Lexington, VA.

James River Ranger District: Virginian Review, published weekly (except Sunday) in Covington, VA.

Deerfield Ranger District: Daily News Leader, published daily in Staunton, VA.

Dry River Ranger District: Daily News Record, published daily (except Sunday) in Harrisonburg, VA.

Blacksburg Ranger District: Roanoke Times, published daily in Roanoke, VA.

Monroe Watchman, published weekly (Thursday) in Union, WV (only for those decisions in West VA—notice will be published in the Roanoke Times and Monroe Watchman.).

Glenwood Ranger District: Roanoke Times, published daily in Roanoke, VA.

New Castle Ranger District: Roanoke Times, published daily in Roanoke, VA.

Monroe Watchman, published weekly (Thursday) in Union, WV (only for those decisions in West VA—notice will be published in the Roanoke Times and Monroe Watchman.).

Mount Rogers National Recreation Area: Bristol Herald Courier, published daily in Bristol, VA.

Clinch Ranger District: Kingsport-Times News, published daily in Kingsport, TN.

Wythe Ranger District: Southwest Virginia Enterprise, published bi-weekly (Wednesday and Saturday) in Wytheville, VA.

Kistachie National Forest, Louisiana

Forest Supervisor Decisions

Alexandria Daily Town Talk, published daily in Alexandria, LA.

District Ranger Decisions

Caney Ranger District: Minden Press Herald, published daily in Minden, LA.

Homer Guardian Journal, published weekly (Wednesday) in Homer, LA.

Catahoula Ranger District: Alexandria Daily Town Talk, published daily in Alexandria, LA.

Colfax Chronicle, published weekly (Wednesday) in Colfax, LA.

Evangeline Ranger District: Alexandria Daily Town Talk, published daily in Alexandria, LA.

Kisatchie Ranger District: Natchitoches Times, published weekly (Tuesday-Friday and on Sunday) in Natchitoches, LA.

Vernon Ranger District: Leesville Leader, published daily in Leesville, LA.

Winn Ranger District: Winn Parish Enterprise, published weekly (Wednesday) in Winnfield, LA.

National Forests in Mississippi, Mississippi

Forest Supervisor Decisions

Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

District Ranger Decisions

Bienville Ranger District: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

Chickasawhay Ranger District: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

Delta Ranger District: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

De Soto Ranger District: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

Holly Springs Ranger District: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

Homochitto Ranger District: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

Tombigbee Ranger District: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

Ashe-Erambert Project: Clarion-Ledger, published daily in Jackson, MS.

National Forests in North Carolina, North Carolina

Forest Supervisor Decisions

The Asheville Citizen-Times, published daily in Asheville, NC.

District Ranger Decisions

Appalachian Ranger District: The Asheville Citizen-Times, published daily in Asheville, NC.

Cheoah Ranger District: Graham Star, published weekly (Thursday) in Robbinsville, NC.

Croatan Ranger District: The Sun Journal, published weekly (Sunday through Friday) in New Bern, NC.

Grandfather Ranger District: McDowell News, published daily in Marion, NC.

Highlands Ranger District: The Highlander, published weekly (May-Oct Tues & Fri; Oct-April Tues only) in Highlands, NC.

The Crossroads Chronicle published weekly (May-Oct Tues & Fri; Oct-April Tues only) in Cashiers, NC The Sylvia Herald, published weekly on Thursday in Sylva, NC.

Pisgah Ranger District: The Asheville Citizen-Times, published daily in Asheville, NC.

Tusquitee Ranger District: Cherokee Scout, published weekly (Wednesday) in Murphy, NC.

Uwharrie Ranger District: Montgomery Herald, published weekly (Wednesday) in Troy, NC.

Wayah Ranger District: The Franklin Press, published bi-weekly (Wednesday and Friday) in Franklin, NC.

Ouachita National Forest, Arkansas, Oklahoma

Forest Supervisory Decisions

Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

District Ranger Decisions

Caddo Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Cold Springs Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Fourche Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Jessieville Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Mena Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Oden Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Poteau Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Winona Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Womble Ranger District: Arkansas Democrat-Gazette, published daily in Little Rock, AR.

Choctaw Ranger District: Tulsa World, published daily in Tulsa, OK.

Kiamichi Ranger District: Tulsa World, published daily in Tulsa, OK.

Tiark Ranger District: Tulsa World, published daily in Tulsa, OK.

Ozark-St. Francis National Forest: Arkansas

Forest Supervisory Decisions

The Courier, published daily (Sunday through Friday) in Russellville, AR.

District Ranger Decisions

Sylamore Ranger District: Stone County Leader, published weekly (Tuesday) in Mountain View, AR.

Buffalo Ranger District: Newton County Times, published weekly (Thursday) in Jasper, AR.

Bayou Ranger District: The Courier, published daily (Sunday through Friday) in Russellville, AR.

Pleasant Hill Ranger District: Johnson County Graphic, published weekly (Wednesday) in Clarksville, AR.

Boston Mountain Ranger District: Southwest Times Record, published daily in Fort Smith, AR.

Magazine Ranger District: Southwest Times Record, published daily in Fort Smith, AR.

St. Francis Ranger District: The Daily World, published daily (Sunday through Friday) in Helena, AR.

National Forests and Grasslands in Texas, Texas

Forest Supervisor Decisions

The Lufkin Daily News, published daily in Lufkin, TX.

District Ranger Decisions

Angelina National Forest: The Lufkin Daily News, published daily in Lufkin, TX.

Davy Crockett National Forest: The Lufkin Daily news, published daily in Lufkin, TX.

Sabine National Forest: The Lufkin Daily News, published daily in Lufkin, TX.

Sam Houston National Forest: The Courier, published daily in Conroe, TX.

Caddo & LBJ National Grasslands: Denton Record-Chronicle, published daily in Denton, TX.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Payen, English, and Pass Creek Range Allotments, Tahoe National Forest, Nevada and Sierra Counties, CA

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

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

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Tahoe National Forest will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to evaluate three grazing allotments. The analysis will lay the groundwork for amending the Allotment Management Plans (AMPs) by determining what levels of livestock will be allowed on the land, the allowable amount of vegetation that can be grazed, the timing of grazing, and the methods to control the distribution of livestock on the allotments. The allotments are located on the Sierraville Ranger District, Sierraville, California, in portions of T19N, R12E-R17E, MDB&M.

The primary objectives of the proposals are to: (1) Manage grazing to ensure that affected vegetation, including the woody and shrub components are maintaining sustainable, diverse, and healthy plant communities; (2) where areas are degraded, manage grazing to restore trend towards, and subsequently maintaining, the ecological health of these areas such that they attain desired conditions within then years; (3) manage grazing to provide for and maintain necessary habitats for diverse populations of plant and animal species, including those that are sensitive, threatened, or endangered; (4) manage grazing so that precipitation is able to