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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Meeting; Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108-447)

AGENCY: USDA, Forest Service.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Southern Region Recreation Resource Advisory Committee will hold its fourth meeting in Harrisonburg, Virginia, on September 24-25, 2008. The purpose of the meeting is to receive recommendations concerning recreation fee proposals on areas managed by the Forest Service in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and the territory of Puerto Rico; and to discuss other items of interest related to the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act of 2004.

A final detailed agenda, with any additions/corrections to agenda topics, location, field trips and meeting times, will be sent to regional media sources at least 14 days before the meeting, and hard copies can also be mailed or sent via FAX. Individuals who need special assistance such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, or who wish a hard copy of the agenda, should contact Caroline Mitchell at P.O. Box 1270, Hot Springs, AR 71902 or by phone at 501-321-5318 no later than 10 days prior to the meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 24-25, 2008.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hampton Inn, 85 Univ. Blvd., 1-81 @Exit 247-A in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT: Cheryl Chatham, Designated Federal Official, U.S. Forest Service, P.O. Box 1270, Hot Springs, AR 71902.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, persons who wish to bring recreation fee matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before the meeting. A public input session will be provided and individuals who make written requests by September 15, 2008, will have the opportunity to address the Committee at the meeting. Send written comments to Cheryl Chatham, Designated Federal Official for the Southern Recreation RAC, U.S. Forest Service, P.O. Box 1270, Hot Springs, AR 71902.

The Recreation RAC is authorized by the Federal Land Recreation Enhancement Act, which was signed into law by President Bush in December 2004.

Dated: August 15, 2008.

Cheryl G. Chatham,

Designated Federal Officer, Southern Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Pacific Northwest Recreation Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice; request for nominations for Recreation Resource Advisory Committees.

SUMMARY: Nominations are being sought for certain positions to serve on the Pacific Northwest Recreation Resource Advisory Committees (Recreation RAC). New members will be appointed by the Secretary of Agriculture (Secretary) and serve three-year terms. Appointments will begin in February 2009 when current member appointments expire.

One member is being sought to represent each of the following interests: Winter Non-motorized, Summer Non-motorized, Local Environmental, State Tourism, and Affected Local Governments. The public is invited to submit nominations for membership on the Recreation RAC. Current members who have only served one term may also apply. Application packets for Recreation RACs can be obtained from the Forest Service Pacific Northwest

Regional Office listed below or on the Web at <http://www.fs.fed.us/passespermits/rrac>. All nominations must include a completed application packet that includes background information and other information that addresses a nominee's qualifications.

DATES: All applications must be received by the Pacific Northwest Regional Office on or before September 30, 2008. This timeframe may be extended if officials do not receive applications for needed positions.

ADDRESSES: You may submit nominations to the Pacific Northwest Recreation RAC by: U.S. Mail: Shandra Terry, Regional Public Involvement Coordinator, Public Affairs, Pacific Northwest Regional Office, PO Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208, (503) 808-2242.

Express Delivery: Shandra Terry, Regional Public Involvement Coordinator, Public Affairs, Pacific Northwest Regional Office, 333 SW 1st Ave., Portland, OR 97204, (503) 808-2242.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anyone wanting further information regarding this request for nominations may contact Jocelyn Biro, Recreation Fee Coordinator, Pacific Northwest Regional Office, PO Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208, (503) 808-2411.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (REA), signed December 2004, requires that the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) provide Recreation RACs with an opportunity to make recommendations to the two agencies on certain types of proposed recreation fee changes.

REA allows the agencies to use existing advisory councils, such as BLM Resource Advisory Councils (RACs), or to establish new committees as appropriate. The Forest Service and BLM elected to jointly use existing BLM RACs in the states of Arizona, Idaho, the Dakotas, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, and Utah. In 2006, the Forest Service chartered new Recreation RACs for the states of California and Colorado, and for the Forest Service Pacific Northwest, Eastern and Southern Regions. The Forest Service is using an existing advisory board for the Black Hills National Forest in South Dakota.

In addition, the Governors of three states—Alaska, Nebraska and Wyoming—requested that their States be exempt from the REA-RIRAC requirement, and the two Departments concurred with the exemptions.

Members were appointed to the Pacific Northwest Recreation RAC in February 2007 for either two-year or three year terms. The terms for the two-year members will expire February 2009. The Pacific Northwest Recreation RAC provides recreation fee recommendations to both the Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The Recreation RAC makes recreation fee program recommendations on implementing or eliminating standard amenity fees; expanded amenity fees; and noncommercial, individual special recreation permit fees; expanding or limiting the recreation fee program; and fee-level changes.

Recreation RAC Composition

The Recreation RAC consists of 11 members appointed by the Secretary. These members provide a broad and balanced representation from the recreation community as follows:

- (1) Five persons who represent recreation users and that include, as appropriate, the following:
 - a. Winter motorized recreation, such as snowmobiling;
 - b. Winter non-motorized recreation, such as snowshoeing, cross-country and downhill skiing, and snowboarding;
 - c. Summer motorized recreation, such as motorcycles, boaters, and off-highway vehicles;
 - d. Summer non-motorized recreation, such as backpacking, horseback riding, mountain biking, canoeing, and rafting; and
 - e. Hunting and fishing.
- (2) Three persons who represent interest groups that include, as appropriate, the following:
 - a. Motorized outfitters and guides;
 - b. Non-motorized outfitters and guides; and
 - c. Local environmental groups.
- (3) Three persons, as follows:
 - a. State tourism official to represent the State;
 - b. A person who represents affected Indian tribes; and
 - c. A person who represents affected local government interests.

Nomination Information

Any individual or organization may nominate one or more qualified persons to represent the interests listed above to serve on the Recreation RAC. To be considered for membership, nominees must:

- Identify what interest group they would represent and how they are qualified to represent that group;
- State why they want to serve on the committee and what they can contribute;
- Show their past experience in working successfully as part of a collaborative group; and
- Complete Form AD-755, Advisory Committee or Research and Promotion Background Information.

Letters of recommendation are welcome. Individuals may also nominate themselves. Nominees do not need to live in a state within a particular Recreation RAC's area of jurisdiction nor live in a state in which Forest Service-managed lands are located.

Application packets, including evaluation criteria and the AD-755 form, are available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/passespermits/rrac> or by contacting the respective regions identified in this notice. Nominees must submit all documents to the appropriate regional contact. Additional information about recreation fees and REA is available at <http://www.fs.fed.us/passespermits/about-rec-fees.shtml>.

The Forest Service will also work with Governors and county officials to identify potential nominees.

The Forest Service will review the applications and prepare a list of qualified applicants from which the Secretary shall appoint both members and alternates. An alternate will become a participating member of the Recreation RAC only if the member for whom the alternate is appointed to replace leaves the committee permanently.

Recreation RAC members serve without pay but are reimbursed for travel and per diem expenses for regularly scheduled committee meetings. All Recreation RAC meetings are open to the public and an open public forum is part of each meeting. Meeting dates and times will be determined by agency officials in consultation with the Recreation RAC members.

Dated: August 14, 2008.

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Acting Regional Forester, Pacific Northwest Region, USDA Forest Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U.S. Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Census 2010 Communication Campaign Pre-Testing and Evaluation

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: To ensure consideration, written comments must be submitted on or before October 20, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Nancy Bates, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 8H486, Washington, DC 20233-9150, (301) 763-5248 (or via the Internet at nancy.a.bates@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to request OMB approval of a generic information collection clearance to conduct a variety of research activities as part of the pretesting, evaluation, and monitoring for the 2010 Census Integrated Communications Campaign. Under this generic clearance, a block of hours will be dedicated to these activities for each of the next two years. OMB will be informed in writing of the purpose and scope of each of these activities, as well as the time frame and the number of burden hours used. The number of hours used will not exceed the number set aside for this purpose.

This research program will be used by the Census Bureau and its vendors to test and improve advertising and partnership materials (e.g., posters, billboards, brochures, television advertisements, radio spots, Web sites, etc.) and ultimately increase the quality and effectiveness of the communications campaign in