

contentions. *Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519, 553, (1978). Environmental objections that could have been raised at the draft environmental impact statement stage 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 of the proposed action, comments during scoping and 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 in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposed action and will be available for public inspection. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered; however, those who submit anonymous comments will not have standing to appeal the subsequent decision under 36 CFR parts 215 or 217. Additionally, pursuant to 7 CFR 1.27(d), any person may request the agency to withhold a submission from the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Requesters should be aware that, under FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets. The Forest Service will inform the requester of the agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality, and where the request is denied, the agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within 7 days.

Permits: Permits required for implementation include the following:

1. U.S. Army Corp of Engineers
  - Approval of discharge of dredged or fill material into the waters of the United States under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act;
  - Approval of the construction of structures or work in navigable waters of the United States under section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899;
2. Environmental Protection Agency
  - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (402) Permit;
  - Review Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan;
3. State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources
  - Tideland Permit and Lease or Easement;
4. State of Alaska, Department of Environmental Conservation
  - Solid Waste Disposal Permit;
  - Certification of Compliance with Alaska Water Quality Standards (401 Certification)

*Responsible Official:* Thomas Puchlerz, Forest Supervisor, Tongass National Forest, Federal Building, Ketchikan, Alaska 99901, is the responsible official. The responsible official will consider the comments, response, disclosure of environmental consequences, and applicable laws, regulations, and policies in making the decision and stating the rationale in the Record of Decision.

Dated: February 12, 2002.

**Thomas Puchlerz,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Notice of Idaho Panhandle Resource Advisory Committee Meeting

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the authorities in the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463) and under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-393) the Idaho Panhandle National Forests' Idaho Panhandle Resource Advisory Committee will meet Friday, March 22, 2002 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho for a business meeting. The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** March 22, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting location is the Idaho Panhandle National Forests'

Supervisor's Office, located at 3815 Schreiber Way, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ranotta K. McNair, Forest Supervisor and Designated Federal Officer, at (208) 765-7369.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Agenda topics include hearing presentations of project proposals, review of project proposals and receiving public comment.

Dated: March 4, 2002.

**Pat L. Aguilar,**

*Deputy Forest Supervisor.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Trinity County Resource Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA Forest Service.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Trinity County Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on March 25, 2002 in Weaverville, California. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the selection of Title II projects under Public Law 106393, H.R. 2389, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, also called the "Payments to States" Act.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on March 25, 2002 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Trinity County Public Utilities District Conference Room, 26 Ponderosa Lane, Weaverville, California.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joyce Anderson, Designated Federal Official, USDA, Shasta Trinity National Forests, P.O. Box 1190, Weaverville, CA 96093. Phone: (530) 623-1709. Email: [jandersen@fs.fed.us](mailto:jandersen@fs.fed.us).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting will focus on developing evaluation criteria for selecting Title II projects. The meeting is open to the public. Public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the committee at that time.

Dated: March 1, 2002.

**S.E. 'Lou' Wolterling,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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