

Preliminary Issues

The Forest Service has identified the following potential issues. Your input is especially valuable here. It will help us determine which of these merit detailed analysis. It will also help identify additional issues related to the proposed action that may not be listed here.

- Effects of grazing on soil erosion and productivity.
- Effects of grazing on watershed condition and function.
- Effects of grazing on the life cycle of the Bonneville and Snake River cutthroat trout.

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 contention.

Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp v. NRDC, 435 U.S. 519, 533 (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 4, 2004.

Fred Fouse,

Acting District Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Change to the Natural Resources Conservation Service's National Handbook of Conservation Practices

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), U.S. Department of Agriculture, Maine State Office.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed changes in the NRCS National Handbook of Conservation Practices, Section IV of the Maine State NRCS Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) located at <http://www.me.nrcs.usda.gov> under "Draft Standards for Comments" for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of NRCS to issue revised conservation practice standards in its National Handbook of Conservation Practices. These revised standards are the following:

314 Brush Management; 329 Residue Management, Ridge-Till; 340 Cover Crop; 342 Critical Area Planting; 344 Residue Management, Seasonal; 386 Field Border; 511 Forage Harvest Management; 512 Pasture and Hay Planting; 528 Animal Trails and Walkways; 590 Nutrient Management; 557 Row Arrangement.

DATES: Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquire in writing to Christopher R. Jones, State Resource Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 967 Illinois Avenue, Suite #3, Bangor, Maine 04401.

A copy of these standards are available from the above individual.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agricultural Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law to NRCS State Technical Guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days the NRCS will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period a determination will be made by the NRCS regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: November 4, 2004.

Christopher R. Jones,

State Resource Conservationist.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Vermont Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights that a conference call of the Vermont Advisory Committee will convene at 10:30 a.m. and adjourn at 11 a.m., Tuesday, November 16, 2004. The purpose of the conference call is to discuss juvenile justice issues in Vermont.

This conference call is available to the public through the following call-in number: 1-800-659-8294, access code: 30141003. Any interested member of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Callers can expect to incur charges for calls not initiated using the supplied call-in number or over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Callers will incur no charge for calls using the call-in number over land-line connections. Persons with hearing impairments may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-977-8339 and providing the Service with the conference call number and access code.

To ensure that the Commission secures an appropriate number of lines for the public, persons are asked to register by contacting Barbara de La

Viez of the Eastern Regional Office at 202-376-7533 by 4 p.m. on Monday, November 15, 2004.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated in Washington, DC, November 8, 2004.

Ivy L. Davis,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Docket 47-2004]

Foreign-Trade 243—Victorville, CA; Application for Expansion

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board (the Board) by the Southern California Logistics Airport Authority, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone 243, requesting authority to expand its zone to include additional sites in the Victorville area, within and adjacent to the Victorville Customs user fee airport and the Los Angeles-Long Beach Customs port of entry. The application was submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR Part 400). It was formally filed on October 29, 2004.

FTZ 243 was approved on July 26, 2000 (Board Order 1097, 65 FR 47953, 8/4/00). The general-purpose zone project currently consists of the following site: *Site 1* (1,954 acres) consists of: Parcel 1 (1,943 acres)—Southern California Logistics Airport complex located at 18374 Phantom, Victorville; Parcel 2 (7 acres, 287,060 sq. ft.)—located at 19317 Arenth Avenue, Industry (expires 1/31/05); Parcel 3 (1 acre, 35,283 sq. ft.)—located at 13731 Proctor Avenue, Industry (expires 1/31/05); and, Parcel 4 (3 acres, 156,816 sq. ft.)—located at 3525 Walnut Avenue, Chino (expires 1/31/05).

The applicant is now requesting authority for a major expansion of the zone as described below. The proposal requests authority to expand the zone to include nine additional sites in the cities of Industry, Whittier, Chino and Rialto, California.

Proposed Site 2 (7 acres)—Golden State Foods warehouse located at 19317 Arenth Avenue, Industry (this site will include Site 1-Parcel 2 on a permanent basis);

Proposed Site 3 (4 acres)—Proctor Warehouse located at 13731 Proctor

Avenue, Industry (this site will include Site 1-Parcel 3 on a permanent basis);

Proposed Site 4 (179 acres, 13 parcels)—located within the 186-acre Fairway Business Center in the City of Industry;

Proposed Site 5 (318 acres)—Grand Crossing Industrial Park located at the intersection of the Pomona (60) and Orange (57) Freeways in the City of Industry;

Proposed Site 6 (70 acres)—Gateway Pointe Industrial Park located at the intersection of the Pomona (60) and San Gabriel River (605) Freeways in the City of Whittier;

Proposed Site 7 (4 acres)—FBC Industries warehouse facility located at 3525 Walnut Avenue, Chino (this site will include Site 1-Parcel 4 on a permanent basis);

Proposed Site 8 (14 acres, 2 parcels)—Schaefer Warehouse (Parcel 1, 7 acres) located at 5125 Schaefer Avenue and Pacific Warehouse (Parcel 2, 7 acres) located at 5085 Schaefer Avenue, Chino;

Proposed Site 9 (8 acres)—Eucalyptus Warehouse located at 4340 Eucalyptus Avenue, Chino; and,

Proposed Site 10 (91 acres)—located within the 138-acre ProLogis Park I-210 at the Alder Interchange and Interstate 210 extension in the City of Rialto.

The applicant is also requesting that 11 acres at *Site 1* (Southern California Logistics Airport) be restored to zone status and that Parcels 2, 3 and 4 be granted zone status on a permanent basis as noted above. (A minor boundary modification was approved in December 2003 (A(27f)-60-2003), removing 11 acres from Site 1 (Southern California Logistics Airport) to establish the temporary parcels.) No specific manufacturing requests are being made at this time. Such requests would be made to the Board on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with the Board's regulations, a member of the FTZ Staff has been designated examiner to investigate the application and report to the Board.

Public comment on the application is invited from interested parties. Submissions (original and 3 copies) shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at one of the addresses below:

1. *Submissions via Express/Package Delivery Services:* Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building—Suite 4100W, 1099 14th Street NW., Washington, DC 20005; or

2. *Submissions via the U.S. Postal Service:* Foreign-Trade Zones Board, U.S. Department of Commerce, FCB—

Suite 4100W, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

The closing period for their receipt is January 14, 2005. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period (to January 31, 2005).

A copy of the application and accompanying exhibits will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Foreign-Trade Zones Board's Executive Secretary at the first address listed above, and at the U.S. Department of Commerce, Export Assistance Center, 2940 Inland Empire Boulevard, Suite 121, Ontario, CA 91764.

Dated: November 4, 2004.

Dennis Puccinelli,

Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Re-Initiation of Request for Nominations to the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC)

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of request for nominations.

SUMMARY: The Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (the "Committee") is the only Federal Advisory committee with the responsibility to advise the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on all matters concerning living marine resources that are the responsibility of the Department of Commerce. The Committee makes recommendations to the Secretary to assist in the development and implementation of Departmental regulations, policies and programs critical to the mission and goals of the National Marine Fisheries Service. The Committee is composed of leaders in the commercial, recreational, environmental, academic, state, tribal, and consumer interests from the nation's coastal regions.

On June 14, NMFS published a Notice requesting nominees for four vacancies on the Committee. The nomination ran through July 15, 2004, and resulted in the appointment of only two of the vacancies. Therefore, in keeping with the Administration's policy to ensure the Committee reflect a balanced