

3. Gain an understanding of how the agency's management of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge and other potential factors facilitate and constrain a visitor's recreation experience,

4. Gain an understanding of how to educate recreation visitors so they do not leave impacts from their visits, such as damaged vegetation, litter, polluted lakes and streams, and wildlife disturbance while engaging in high quality, safe, and responsible recreation visits, and

5. Provide insight into what visitors value most about this place to help inform development of a Wilderness Stewardship Plan and a Visitor Use Management Plan for the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

Respondents will be recreation visitors to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Visitors will be contacted as they enter the Refuge, or upon exit and will be provided with a postage-paid postcard that offers them alternate methods to respond to the survey: (1) Mail the postage-paid postcard to the Leopold Institute with a name and address to receive a mail back survey, (2) mail the postage-paid postcard to the Leopold Institute with an electronic email address to receive an electronic form of the survey, or (3) keep the postcard that contains a web address for on-line completion of the survey. All responses will be voluntary and confidential. Data collected in this information collection are not available from other sources and have not been collected since 1977.

This study will only ask recreation visitors, who are non-local and non-subsistence users, questions about their recreation visit, their personal demographics relevant to education and interpretation goals, and factors that have influenced or are likely to influence their recreation visits. Survey respondents will be told that this information is voluntary and confidential so their names will not be connected to their responses in any way. The Survey will not include questions related to oil exploration or development within the boundaries of the Refuge.

Estimate of Annual Burden: 20 minutes for each respondent (2 minutes on-site, 18 minutes mail-back or email back survey).

Type of Respondents: Recreation visitors to the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 850 targeted contacts.

Estimated Sampling Success: 65% of those agreeing to participate (80% of 850 = 680), yielding approximately 450 responses.

Estimated Annual Number of Responses per Respondent: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 196.25 hours (contact with 850 visitors for on-site completion of survey request form; 80% agree to receive survey, 65% response—450 responses).

Comment is invited on: (1) Whether this collection of information is necessary for the stated purposes and the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical or scientific utility; (2) the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

All comments received in response to this notice, including names and addresses when provided, will be a matter of public record. Comments will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval.

Dated: January 24, 2013.

Cynthia D. West,

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Forest Resource Coordinating Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Forest Resource Committee Meeting will meet in Arlington, Va. The committee is authorized under the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Pub. L. 110-246). The purpose of the committee is to provide direction and coordination of actions within the U.S. Department of Agriculture, and coordination with State agencies and the private sector, to effectively address the national priorities for non-industrial private forest land. The purpose of the meeting is discuss operational procedures for the committee and

develop a workplan of projects for the committee to complete within the year.

DATES: The meeting will be held on April 11-12, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at 1621 North Kent Street, Arlington, Virginia, in room 703/704. Written comments regarding agenda items must be received by January 24, 2013. Written comments may be submitted by mail to Attn: Maya Solomon, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., mailstop 1123, Washington, DC 20250 or by email to mayasolomon@fs.fed.us.

All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received on the Forest Resource Coordinating Committee Web site at <http://www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/frcc/>. Visitors are encouraged to call ahead to 202-205-1043 to facilitate entry into the meeting room.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Maya Solomon, Forest Resource Coordinating Committee Program Coordinator, Cooperative Forestry staff, 202-205-1376 or Ted Beauvais, Designated Federal Officer, 202-205-1190.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be held on April 11-12, 2013, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and is open to the public. The committee will discuss its 2013 plan of work and operational procedures for the committee. The committee will have several presentations relating to private forest landowners and government programs providing assistance to private forests to guide the development of its 2013 workplan.

Please see the Forest Resource Coordinating Committee Web site for any available materials, including a draft agenda for this meeting <http://www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/frcc/>. Comments/issues of particular interest to this meeting will also be made available to the public on this Web site. A summary of the meeting will be posted at <http://www.fs.fed.us/spf/coop/> within 21 days after the meeting.

Dated: January 24, 2013.

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