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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE OFFICE OF TRIBAL RELATIONS

Council for Native American Farming and Ranching Meeting

AGENCY: Office of Tribal Relations, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a forthcoming meeting of The Council for Native American Farming and Ranching (CNAFR), a public advisory committee of the Office of Tribal Relations (OTR). Notice of the meetings are provided in accordance with section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, (5 U.S.C. Appendix 2). This will be the first meeting held during fiscal year 2016 and will consist of, but not be limited to: Hearing public comments, update of USDA programs and activities, and discussion of committee priorities. This meeting will be open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on December 8, 2015, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and December 9, 2015, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be open to the public on both days. Note that a period for public comment will be held on December 8, 2015, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Flamingo Hotel, 3555 S. Las Vegas Boulevard, Las Vegas, Nevada 89109, in the Laughlin II Room.

WRITTEN COMMENTS: Written comments may be submitted to: The CNAFR Contact Person, Dana Richey, Designated Federal Officer, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Administrator, USDA/Farm Service Agency, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Whitten Bldg., 501–A, Washington, DC 20250; by Fax: (202) 720–1058; or by email: Dana.Richey@wdc.usda.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions should be directed to Dana Richey, Senior Policy Advisor, Office of the Administrator, USDA/Farm Service Agency, 1400 Independence Ave. SW., Whitten Bldg., 501–A, Washington, DC 20250; by Fax: (202) 720–1058 or email: Dana.Richey@wdc.usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2), USDA established an advisory council for Native American farmers and ranchers. The CNAFR is a discretionary advisory committee established under the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture, in furtherance of the Keepseagle v. Vilsack settlement agreement that was granted final approval by the District Court for the District of Columbia on April 28, 2011.

The CNAFR will operate under the provisions of the FACA and report to the Secretary of Agriculture. The purpose of the CNAFR is (1) to advise the Secretary of Agriculture on issues related to the participation of Native American farmers and ranchers in USDA farm loan programs; (2) to transmit recommendations concerning any changes to Farm Service Agency regulations or internal guidance or other measures that would eliminate barriers to program participation for Native American farmers and ranchers; (3) to examine methods of maximizing the number of new farming and ranching opportunities created by USDA farm loan programs through enhanced extension and financial literacy services; (4) to examine methods of encouraging intergovernmental cooperation to mitigate the effects of land tenure and probate issues on the delivery of USDA farm loan programs; (5) to evaluate other methods of creating new farming or ranching opportunities for Native American producers; and (6) to address other related issues as deemed appropriate.

The Secretary of Agriculture selected a diverse group of members representing a broad spectrum of persons interested in providing solutions to the challenges of the aforementioned purposes. Equal opportunity practices were considered in all appointments to the CNAFR in accordance with USDA policies. The Secretary selected the members in August 2014.

Interested persons may present views, orally or in writing, on issues relating to agenda topics before the CNAFR. Written submissions may be submitted to the contact person on or before

November 30, 2015. Oral presentations from the public will be heard from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on December 8, 2015. Those individuals interested in making formal oral presentations should notify the contact person and submit a brief statement of the general nature of the issue they wish to present and the names and addresses of proposed participants by November 30, 2015. All oral presentations will be given three (3) to five (5) minutes depending on the number of participants.

The OTR will also make the agenda available to the public via the OTR Web site http://www.usda.gov/tribalrelations no later than 10 business days before the meeting and at the meeting. The minutes from the meeting will be posted on the OTR Web site. OTR welcomes the attendance of the public at the CNAFR meetings and will make every effort to accommodate persons with physical disabilities or special needs. If you require special accommodations due to a disability, please notify the Contact Person, at least 10 business days in advance of the meeting.

Leslie Wheelock,

Director, Office of Tribal Relations.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[Docket No.: 150817729-5970-02]

Privacy Act of 1974, Altered System of Records

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of proposed amendment to Privacy Act System of Records: COMMERCE/NOAA–14, Dr. Nancy Foster Scholarship Program.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce publishes this notice to announce the effective date of a Privacy Act System of Records notice entitled Notice of Proposed Amendment to COMMERCE/NOAA-14, Dr. Nancy Foster Scholarship Program.

DATES: The system of records becomes effective on October 28, 2015.

ADDRESSES: For a copy of the system of records please mail requests to: Sarah Brabson, NOAA Office of the Chief Information Officer, Room 9856, 1315

East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Program Administrator, Dr. Nancy Foster Scholarship Program, National Ocean Service, Office of the Assistant Administrator, 1305 East-West Highway, 13th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910–3281.

Deputy Director of NOAA Education, Educational Partnership Program and Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Program, Office of Education, 1315 East-West Highway, 10th Floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910– 3281.

Administrative Assistant, Mendy Willis, National Marine Fisheries Service Recruitment, Training, Research Program at the University of Florida, P.O. Box 110240, Gainesville, FL 32611.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 17, 2015 (80 FR 55829), the Department of Commerce published a notice in the Federal Register, entitled "Notice of Proposed Amendment to Privacy Act System of Records: COMMERCE/NOAA-14, Dr. Nancy Foster Scholarship Program," requesting comments on proposed amendments to the system of records. No comments were received in response to the request for comments. By this notice, the Department of Commerce is adopting the proposed changes to the system as final without changes effective October 28, 2015.

Dated: October 22, 2015.

Michael J. Toland,

Department of Commerce, Freedom of Information and Privacy Act Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Application(s) for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, as amended by Pub. L. 106–36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be postmarked on or before November 17, 2015. Address written comments to Statutory Import Programs Staff, Room

3720, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the U.S. Department of Commerce in Room 3720.

Docket Number: 15–029. Applicant: University of California, Irvine, 816 F Engineering Tower, Irvine, CA 92697-2575. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to determine nanoparticle size, crystal structure, interface and defect structure, surface structure, composition, electronic state, bad-gap, cell structure, magnetic domain structure, 3D-structure and phase transformation of various materials such as metals, ceramics, semiconductors, superconductors, polymers and cells. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 12,

Docket Number: 15-031. Applicant: University of California, Irvine, 816 F Engineering Tower, Irvine, CA 92697-2575. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to determine nanoparticle size, crystal structure, interface and defect structure, surface structure, composition, electronic state, bad-gap, cell structure, magnetic domain structure, 3D-structure and phase transformation of various materials such as metals, ceramics, semiconductors, superconductors, polymers and cells. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: June 12,

Docket Number: 15-035. Applicant: Drexel University, 3141 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to understand the structure of metal alloys, polymers, ceramics, semiconductors and biological structures and relate this to the material performance by obtaining structural and morphological information about the materials using electron diffraction, bright field and dark field imaging. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 20,

Docket Number: 15–036. Applicant: The Trustees of Princeton University, 701 Carnegie Center, Princeton, NJ

08540. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: FEI Czech Republic s.r.o., Czech Republic. Intended Use: The instrument will be used for a wide range of applications including microstructural and chemical analysis of the first hydration products of cement, using samples prepared by supercritical drying, to elucidate the process of strength development and identify the effects of additives on the kinetics and microstructure, and the structural analysis of non-conducting nanowires used as gas sensors. Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 20, 2015.

Docket Number: 15–037. Applicant: The Trustees of Princeton University, 701 Carnegie Center, Princeton, NJ 08540. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: FEI Electron Optics BV, the Netherlands. Intended Use: The instrument will be used for research such as the interfacial atomic structure of ferromagnetic insulator-topological insulator heterostructures, using FIB prepared thin cross-sections, to elucidate the temperature effect on nearstoichiometric materials which might lead to the development of spintronic devices based on the large anomalous Hall Effect, and the development and fabrication of uniformly dispersed nanoparticle-doped chalcogenide glass. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 30,

Docket Number: 15-038. Applicant: South Dakota State University, 1400 North Campus Drive, Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering Box 2120, South Dakota State University, Brookings, South Dakota 57007. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to develop techniques for stronger, lighter and cheaper next generation wind turbine blades by characterizing internal and interface structure of nanofiber enhanced composites, as well as other research. Justification for Duty-Free Entry: There are no instruments of the same general category manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: August 3, 2015.

Docket Number: 15–039. Applicant: University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, 5323 Harry Hines Blvd., Dallas, TX 75390. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: FEI Company, the Netherlands. Intended