Notices

Federal Register

Vol. 77, No. 112

Monday, June 11, 2012

This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Lake Tahoe Federal Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of Reestablishment of the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Lake Tahoe Federal Advisory Committee (LTFAC) and a Request for Applications.

SUMMARY: The Forest Service intends to reestablish the Lake Tahoe Federal Advisory Committee (Committee). The purpose of the Committee is to provide advice to the Secretary of Agriculture and to the Federal Interagency Partnership on how the Partnership can best fulfill its duties pursuant to Executive Order 13057 to protect the extraordinary natural, recreational, and ecological resources in the Lake Tahoe Region. The Forest Service seeks applications of individuals to be considered for selection as committee members.

DATES: Application packets must be received on or before July 20, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Mail application packets to LTFAC Applications, Attention: Aria Hains, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, USDA Forest Service, 35 College Drive, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150, postmarked by July 20, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Committee applicant packet can be downloaded from the Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit's Web site at http://fs.usda.gov/goto/ltbmu/LTFAC or obtained from Arla Hains, Lake Tahoe Basin Management Unit, by calling (530) 543–2773, or send an email request to ashain@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of Agriculture chartered the 20-person advisory committee under the Federal Advisory Committee Act on July 13, 1998. This Committee provides a

critical role in advising the Secretary of Agriculture and the Lake Tahoe Federal Interagency Partnership on coordinating federal programs to achieve the goals of the Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program. The Committee charter and membership is renewed every two years. LTFAC members will represent a broad array of interests in the Lake Tahoe Basin. Two representatives will be selected as members-at-large, and one representative will be selected from each of the follow sectors: (1) Gaming, (2) environmental, (3) national environmental, (4) ski resorts, (5) North Shore Economic/Recreation, (6) South Shore Economic/Recreation, (7) resorts associations, (8) education, (9) property rights advocates, (10) science and research, (11) California local government, (12) Washoe Tribe, (13) State of California, (14) State of Nevada, (15) Tahoe Regional Planning Agency, (16) labor, (17) transportation, and (18) Nevada local government. The committee meets a minimum of four times a year alternating locations between the north and south shore areas. The Forest Service has special interest in assuring that women, minority groups, and the physically disabled are adequately represented on the LTFAC. We encourage and welcome applications for qualified female, minority, or disabled candidates.

Dated: June 5, 2012.

Cheva Heck,

Acting Forest Supervisor.

[FR Doc. 2012–14081 Filed 6–8–12; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3410-11-P

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest; Evanston-Mountain View Ranger District; Utah; Smiths Fork Vegetation Restoration Project

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Correction to notice of intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

SUMMARY: The Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest is submitting a correction to the notice of intent for the Smiths Fork Vegetation Restoration Project published on May 7, 2012 [77 FR 26733]. The notice of intent initially

read: "Only persons who submit specific written comments on the proposed action during the 30-day comment period will be eligible to file an objection. This comment period represents the only opportunity for the public to comment on this proposal prior to the objection process. The opportunity to comment will end 30 days after a legal notice announcing the request for scoping comments is published in the Salt Lake Tribune, which is the newspaper of record."

The correction to the notice of intent is as follows: "Only individuals and organizations who have submitted specific written comments related to the proposed action during the opportunities for public comment provided during the scoping period or the comment period on the draft EIS will be eligible to file an objection under the Healthy Forests Restoration Act. The opportunity to provide scoping comments will end 30 days after a legal notice announcing the request for scoping comments is published in the Salt Lake Tribune, which is the newspaper of record. Comments on the draft EIS itself will be solicited when the draft EIS is available. Availability of the draft EIS will be made via a notice of availability in the Federal Register as well as a legal notice in the Salt Lake Tribune."

DATES: The scoping period for the Smiths Fork Vegetation Restoration Project has been extended. Comments concerning the analysis for the proposed action as described in the notice of intent [77 FR 26733] must be received or postmarked before the end of the 30day scoping period that begins with the publication of the revised legal notice of scoping in the Salt Lake Tribune. Comments that have already been provided in response to the notice of intent do not need to be submitted again. All comments will be considered part of the project record and will be subject to the Freedom of Information

ADDRESSES: Mail written comments to: Smiths Fork Vegetation Restoration Project, Attention: Rick Schuler, P.O. Box 1880, Evanston, WY 82931. In addition, comments may also be delivered by hand Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at the following physical address: 1565 Highway 150, Suite A, Evanston, Wyoming. Comments may

also be submitted electronically to: comments-intermtn-wasatch-cache-evanston-mtnview@fs.fed.us or submitted via facsimile to 307–783–8639. Electronic comments should be submitted in a .pdf, .rtf, .docx, or other common format.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pete Gomben, Environmental Coordinator for the Evanston-Mountain View Ranger District, at 801–236–3407. Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday.

Dated: June 5, 2012.

David C. Whittekiend,

Forest Supervisor.

[FR Doc. 2012-14057 Filed 6-8-12; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3410-11-P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Survey of Income and Program Participation (SIPP) 2013 Event History Calendar—Field Test

AGENCY: U.S. Census Bureau,

Commerce.

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 August 10, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at jjessup@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Nathaniel McKee, Census Bureau, Room HQ-7H137 Washington, DC 20233–8400, (301) 763–5244 (or via the Internet at nathanial.b.mckee@census.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Census Bureau plans to conduct a field test for the 2013 SIPP Event History Calendar (SIPP-EHC) from January to March of 2013. The SIPP is a household-based survey designed as a continuous series of national panels. The SIPP represents a source of information for a wide variety of topics and allows the integration of information for separate topics to form a single, unified database allowing for the examination of the interaction between tax, transfer, and other government and private policies. Government domestic policy formulators depend heavily upon the SIPP information concerning the distribution of income received directly as money or indirectly as in-kind benefits and the effect of tax and transfer programs on that distribution. They also need improved and expanded data on the income and general economic and financial situation of the U.S. population, which the SIPP has provided on a continuing basis since 1983. The SIPP has measured levels of economic well-being and permitted measurement of changes in these levels over time.

The SIPP–EHC is molded around a central "core" of labor force and income questions that are supplemented with questions designed to address specific needs in complementary subject areas. The 2013 SIPP–EHC again uses an Event History Calendar (EHC) that facilitates the collection of dates of events and spells of coverage, as did the 2010, 2011, and 2012 SIPP–EHC.

The content of the 2013 SIPP-EHC will match that of the 2012 SIPP-EHC very closely. The SIPP-EHC design does not contain freestanding topical modules; however, a portion of traditional SIPP topical module content is integrated into the 2013 SIPP-EHC interview. Examples of this content include questions on medical expenses, child care, retirement and pension plan coverage, marital history, adult and child well-being, and others. The EHC should assist the respondent's ability to recall events accurately over the longer reference period and provide increased data quality and inter-topic consistency for dates reported by respondents.

The 2013 SIPP–EHC field test will revisit survey respondents who were first interviewed in the 2011 SIPP–EHC field test and then again in the 2012 SIPP–EHC field test. The 2013 SIPP–EHC will interview respondents using the previous calendar year 2012 as the reference period and is the final evaluation in the transition of the SIPP program to annual interviewing. The

2013 SIPP-EHC will be the second test of the revised interviewing method structure that will follow adults (age 15 years and older) who move from the prior wave household, as well as the second test incorporating dependent data from the prior wave in the current EHC interview. Dependent data, which is information collected from the prior wave interview brought forward to the current interview, is a crucial component added to the 2012 SIPP-EHC to reduce the possible impact of seam bias for longitudinal uses of the monthly data. The 2013 SIPP-EHC will be the first opportunity to evaluate situations where original sample people (OSP) have the chance to have moved out in the prior wave and then return. The 2013 SIPP–EHC will be the last opportunity before full production to refine instrument improvements, evaluate the ability to follow movers, implement dependent data use, and produce an initial evaluation of attrition related to the new instrument design and interview interval. Although the sample is limited to high-poverty strata in 20 states and cannot represent the characteristics of the test if implemented in a full nationally representative sample, we can effectively compare the same geographies and characteristics for the same period in the 2008 panel of the production SIPP. As with the 2012 field test, 2013 SIPP-EHC will be a critical final test for the functionality of all of the interrelated systems to locate and reinterview respondents after a year.

The Census Bureau plans to use Computer Assisted Recorded Interview (CARI) technology for some of the respondents during the 2013 SIPP-EHC. CARI is a data collection method that captures audio along with response data during computer-assisted personal and telephone interviews (CAPI & CATI). With the respondent's consent, a portion of each interview is recorded unobtrusively and both the sound file and screen images are returned with the response data to a central location for coding. The CARI technology will be used in conjunction with the 2013 SIPP-EHC and add about 1.000 burden hours to the overall total for 2013. The CARI respondents for the 2013 field test were first interviewed and recorded during the 2012 SIPP-EHC CARI field test, which was a separate sample utilizing a CARI enabled version of the 2012 SIPP-EHC instrument. In 2013, the CARI sample will be combined with the SIPP-EHC sample, which will test the capability of the SIPP-EHC instrument to perform multiple paths during the same interview period. The SIPP-EHC