Agriculture, 3101 Park Center Drive, Room 1034, Alexandria, VA 22302.

All responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Carole Davis, 703–305–7600.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Nutrition Education Messages and Materials for the General Public.

OMB Number: To be assigned.

Expiration Date: Not applicable.

Type of Request: New collection of information.

Abstract: The Dietary Guidelines for Americans, issued jointly by the U.S. Departments of Agriculture and Health and Human Services, are the cornerstone of Federal nutrition policy and form the basis for nutrition education efforts of these agencies. The U.S. Department of Agriculture develops and promotes nutrition education materials to help consumers understand and use the Dietary Guidelines. The Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion is responsible for publication of the bulletin containing

the text of the Dietary Guidelines; it also develops additional materials to help consumers understand and use the Guidelines. The increased prevalence of overweight and obesity in the United States has made it even more important to communicate clear and useful nutrition education information related to the Guidelines on food choices, weight, and physical activity. In addition, the Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion provides food-based guidance for the general public through the Food Guide Pyramid. The Pyramid is an educational tool designed to help consumers implement the Guidelines and eat a nutritious diet. The Food Guide Pyramid is undergoing a broadbased reassessment, and development of updated materials is planned to help communicate Pyramid messages and recommendations.

Educational messages and materials in support of the Dietary Guidelines for Americans and Food Guide Pyramid, including those targeted to preventing obesity, will be developed by the Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion. These will include:

1. The 2005 editions of the bulletin Nutrition and Your Health: Dietary Guidelines for Americans and the brochure Using the Dietary Guidelines for Americans;

- 2. An updated Food Guide Pyramid graphical representation, poster, and supportive educational materials;
- 3. Nutrition education and Internetbased materials to help combat overweight and obesity in America. The initial phase of this campaign will target women 20 to 40 years old, with a special emphasis on low-income women.

The materials for these initiatives will be tested using qualitative consumer research techniques, which may include focus groups, qualitative interviews, and Web-based surveys. Participants in the testing will provide information regarding the clarity, understandability, and acceptability of the messages and materials during the developmental process and during the final product development stage.

Affected Public: Adult Consumers. Estimated Number of Respondents: 850.

Estimated Time Per Response: 2 hours for focus groups and qualitative interviews, .25 hours for Web-based surveys.

Total Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 1175 hours.

Project	Number of respondents	Estimated hours per respondent	Total esti- mated time burden
Dietary Guidelines materials Food Guide Pyramid materials Portion awareness messages Portion awareness materials Portion awareness interactive	200 200 100 300 50	2 2 2 .25 2	400 hrs. 400 hrs. 200 hrs. 75 hrs. 100 hrs.
Total	850		1175 hrs.

Dated: November 27, 2002.

# Steven Christensen,

Acting Director, Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion.

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# DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

# Food Safety and Inspection Service [Docket No. 02–045N]

### Improving the Recall Process

**AGENCY:** Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing that it will hold a one day technical conference on December 12, 2002, on

Improving the Recall Process. There will be a series of discussions of issues related to this topic.

**DATES:** The public meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 12, 2002. The meeting will be held from 8 a.m. to approximately 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Washington Plaza Hotel, #10 Thomas Circle, NW., Washington, DC 20005. The telephone number is 202–842–1300.

A tentative agenda is available in the FSIS Docket Room and on the FSIS Web site at http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/leaving.cgi?from

=leavingFR.html&log=linklog&to=http://www.fsis.usda.gov. FSIS welcomes comments on the topics to be discussed at the public meeting. Please send an original and two copies of comments to the FSIS Docket Room, Docket 02–045N, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food

Safety and Inspection Service, Room 102 Cotton Annex, 300 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20250–3700. All comments and the official transcript of the meeting, when they become available, will be kept in the FSIS Docket Room at the address provided above.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Moshe Dreyfuss at (202) 205–0260. Registration for the meeting will be onsite. No prior registration will be accepted. Persons requiring a sign Language interpreter or other special accommodations should notify Ms. Mary Harris as soon as possible at (202) 690–6498.

# SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### **Background**

FSIS administers the Federal Meat Inspection Act, the Poultry Products Inspection Act, and the Egg Products Inspection Act. The Agency's activities are intended to prevent the distribution in domestic and foreign commerce, as human food, of unwholesome, adulterated, or misbranded meat, poultry, and egg products, including products that may transmit diseases or that may be otherwise injurious to health.

In January 2000, the Agency issued its latest revision of the recall procedures, FSIS Directive 8080.1, rev. 3. This revised directive was an improved recall procedure designed to inform meat and poultry producers of the need for swift action to prevent contaminated or adulterated meat or poultry from reaching the public. It includes methods for recovering those products and procedures for public notification.

While this process has functioned well, in recent months there have been questions raised on the efficiency and effectiveness of the recall process in light of several large recalls. Therefore, to address these concerns and to solicit possible means of improving the recall system, FSIS is holding this public meeting.

# **Public Meeting**

At the meeting, the Agency will describe and invite discussion and comments on FSIS's recall authority, how FSIS approaches recalls, and how FSIS works with states on recalls. Also, presentations are expected to be made on approaches to recalls by industry and by other agencies.

The Agency will host three panel discussions to solicit ideas and proposals for making the recall process more effective. The discussions will cover the implications of mandatory recall authority, when public notification is needed, whether the Agency should approach establishmentinitiated recalls differently from Agency-initiated recalls, and whether product should be withheld from commerce until sample results are received. The Agency intends to seek information from academia, industry sources, and consumers on ways to improve the recall process with a particular emphasis on improving public health and to provide a forum for discussion on how best to handle them. The Agency will open the discussion to include, and solicit comment from, the attendees.

# **Additional Public Notification**

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, in an effort to better ensure that minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are aware of this notice, FSIS will announce it and

make copies of this Federal Register publication available through the FSIS Constituent Update. FSIS provides a weekly Constituent Update, which is communicated via Listserv, a free e-mail Subscription service. In addition, the update is used to provide information regarding FSIS policies, procedures, regulations, Federal Register notices, FSIS public meetings, recalls, and any other types of information that could affect or would be of interest to our constituents/stakeholders. The constituent Listserv consists of industry, trade, and farm groups, consumer interest groups, allied health professionals, scientific professionals, and other individuals that have requested to be included. Through the Listserv and Web page, FSIS is able to provide information to a much broader, more diverse audience.

For more information contact the Congressional and Public Affairs Office, at (202) 720–9113. To be added to the free e-mail subscription service (Listserv) go to the "Constituent Update" page on the Internet at http://www.fsis.usda.gov/oa/update/update.htm. Click on the "Subscribe to the Constituent Update Listserv" link, then fill out and submit the form.

Done at Washington, DC, on: December 4, 2002.

## Dr. Garry L. McKee,

Administrator.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

## **Forest Service**

Keystone-Quartz Ecosystem Management Project, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forests, Beaverhead County, MT

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice; intent to prepare a supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement.

summary: The Forest Service will prepare a supplement to the final Environmental Impact Statement to document additional soils analysis and disclose the environmental impacts to the soils resource of the preferred alternative to manipulate forest and range vegetation on 684 acres. The Preferred Alternative 6 would thin and prescribe burn 540 acres of Douglas-fir forest to restore open Douglas-fir forest habitat, release 58 acres of aspen/shrub to restore aspen/shrub communities, thin 19 acres of dense lodgepole pine to improve overall forest health, and

restore shrub/grass habitat by removal of small conifers and prescribed burning on 67 acres of shrub/grass habitat that has been lost to conifer succession. Forest product recovery would occur on 58 acres to remove the large conifers (aspen/shrub release only); on 260 acres to remove special forest products (small diameter trees), and on 19 acres to remove post and pole size lodgepole pine. Slashing would remove smaller conifers in most treatment areas as a pre-treatment prior to prescribed burning. Existing roads would be used and no new roads would be built. This area lies at the northern end of the Pioneer Mountains, three miles south of Wise River, Montana. The prior notice of intent for this proposed action appeared in the Federal Register on April 9, 1999, 64 FR 17310-11. The NOA for the DEIS appeared on April 6, 2001, 66 FR 18243. A Final Environmental Impact Statement and a Record of Decision were issued on December 3, 2001. The legal notice of the Record of Decision for the FEIS appeared on the Montana Standard on December 31, 2001. The decision was appealed, and later reversed on March 15, 2002.

**DATES:** Initial comments concerning the supplement to the EIS should be received in writing no later than 30 days after the publication of this NOI in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES: The responsible official is the District Ranger, Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Dillon, Montana. Please send comments to Charlie Hester, District Ranger, Wise River Ranger District, P.O. Box 100, Wise River, MT 59762. Comments may be electronically submitted to r1\_b-d comments@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Trejo, project leader, P.O. Box 100, Wise River, MT or phone (406) 832–3178 or by e-mail to <code>jtrejo@fs.fed.us</code>. People may visit with Forest Service officials at any time during the analysis and prior to the decision.

The draft supplement to the EIS is anticipated to be available for review in January 2003. The final supplement to the EIS is planned for completion in April 2003.

The Environmental Protection Agency will publish the notice of availability of the draft supplement to the environmental impact statement in the **Federal Register**. The Forest will also publish a legal notice of its availability in the Montana Standard Newspaper, Butte, Montana. A 45-day comment period on the draft supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement will