

**ACTION:** Notice—Extension of time for filing nominations for membership on the NOSB.

**SUMMARY:** This notice extends the time for submission of nominations to fill positions on the NOSB. The time has been extended to October 15, 1996. The terms of five members will expire in January 1997. The Secretary seeks nominations of individuals to be considered for selection as NOSB members.

**DATES:** Written nominations, with resumes, now must be postmarked on or before October 15, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be sent to Dr. Harold S. Ricker, Program Manager, National Organic Program, Transportation and Marketing Division, Room 2945 South Building, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), P. O. Box 96456, Washington, DC 20090-6456.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Harold S. Ricker, (202) 720-3252.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given that the time for making nominations for NOSB membership is extended from August 31, 1996, as stated in the notice published at 61 FR 33897, to October 15, 1996. This will allow additional time for submission of nominations.

Nominations are sought for the positions of farmer/grower (1), handler/processor (1), consumer/public interest (1), environmentalist (1), and scientist (1). Individuals desiring to be appointed to the NOSB at this time must be either an owner or operator of an organic farming operation, an owner or operator of an organic handling operation, an individual who represents public interest or consumer interest groups, an expert in the area of environmental or resource conservation, or an individual with expertise in the fields of toxicology, ecology, or biochemistry.

Selection criteria will include such factors as: demonstrated experience and interest in organics; commodity and geographic representation; endorsed support of consumer and public interest organizations; demonstrated experience with environmental concerns; and other factors as may be appropriate for specific positions.

After applications have been reviewed, individuals receiving nominations will be contacted and supplied with biographical forms. The biographical information must be completed and returned to USDA within 10 working days of its receipt, to expedite the security clearance process that is required by the Secretary.

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 6501-6522.

Dated: September 16, 1996.

Eileen S. Stommes,

*Director, Transportation and Marketing Division.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Bureau of Land Management

#### **Oil and Gas Leasing Analysis; Helena & Deerlodge National Forest, in Lewis and Clark, Powell, Jefferson, Broadwater, and Meagher Counties, MT**

**AGENCIES:** Forest Service, USDA & Bureau of Land Management, USDI.

**ACTION:** Intent to prepare a supplement to the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for the Helena National Forest and Elkhorn Portion of the Deerlodge National Forest Oil and Gas Leasing Analysis.

**SUMMARY:** USDA Forest Service and USDI Bureau of Land Management will prepare a supplement to the FEIS to disclose the potential cumulative impacts of oil and gas leasing and other reasonably foreseeable projects that have arisen since the FEIS was completed in April, 1995. A year elapsed between completion of the FEIS and publication of the Record of Decision (ROD), and new project proposals had arisen in the interim. The cumulative effects of these reasonably foreseeable projects have not been fully disclosed. This information will be added to previous information for the decision makers as they reconsider their decisions. The area covered by this supplement includes National Forest and split estate lands with Federal mineral ownership within the Helena National Forest and the Elkhorn Mountains portion of the Deerlodge National Forest.

The original Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Statement was published in the Federal Register, December 1, 1992, Volume 57, No. 231 page 55900. An amendment to this Notice of Intent was published in the Federal Register, August 19, 1993, volume 58, No. 159 page 44159. The Record of Decision was signed on February 12, 1996 by Forest Supervisor Thomas J. Clifford; and February 14, 1996 by BLM State Director Larry E. Hamilton. The Notice of availability of the Oil & Gas leasing decisions for the Helena Forest and Elkhorn Mountain portions of the Deerlodge National

Forest was filed March 5, 1996. This decision was appealed through both the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management administrative appeals processes. The BLM filed a motion for remand on June 27, 1996 and the BLM decisions were set aside by Administrative Judge John H. Kelly on July 9, 1996. Acting Helena Forest Supervisor Jim Guest withdrew the Forest Service decisions on July 30, 1996. This will allow the potential cumulative impacts of oil and gas leasing and other reasonably foreseeable projects that have arisen since the EIS was published to be analyzed and considered.

The purpose of the project remains the same as stated in the 1995 FEIS. The Forest Service will decide which lands are available for lease and what mitigating stipulations apply for oil and gas exploration and development. The Forest Service proposes to make minor modifications from the preferred alternative displayed in the February 14, 1996 decision. The modifications include increasing the administratively unavailable acres in the Tenmile area (Helena municipal water supply) and increasing the No. Surface Occupancy acres within the Black Mountain area. These changes are proposed following discussions with appellants as part of the administrative appeals process. Other than the above, issues and alternatives remain the same as disclosed in the 1995 FEIS.

No additional scoping to identify issues and concerns is planned prior to the release of the supplement to the Environmental Impact Statement. However, the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management would like to receive information relating to possible changed conditions that may affect leasing decisions and were not considered during the analysis disclosed in the original document.

The agencies are aware of the following reasonably foreseeable proposals and projects which may affect the area under consideration for leasing.

#### **Mining/mine Reclamation**

—Diamond Hill T7N, R1W  
—Santa Fe Gold T6N, R2-3N  
—Charter Oak Rehabilitation, T9N, R7W  
—Vosberg Reclamation T7N, R1W

#### **Vegetation Manipulation**

—Poorman T13N, R7-8N  
—North Elkhorns T8-9N, R2W  
—Bull Sweats T11-12N, R1-2W  
—Jericho Salvage T8N, R6W  
—Elkhorn Travel Plan T6-9N, R1E, R1-3W  
—Tizer/Park Lake Exchange T8N, R5W; T7N, R2W

**DATES:** Written comments and suggestions on new circumstances, or new information relevant to environmental concerns with a bearing

on this proposed project, or its impacts, should be received by no later than October 23, 1996. A Draft Supplement is scheduled for release in November, 1996. A Final Supplement to the EIS is scheduled for release in February, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments and suggestions to Forest Supervisor, Helena National Forest, 2880 Skyway Drive, Helena, Mt. 59601.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tom Andersen, Helena National Forest, 2880 Skyway Drive, Helena, Mt. 59601; phone (406) 449-5201 ext 277.

The Forest Supervisor for the Helena National Forest has been assigned the task of completing the Supplement. The responsible officials who will make the leasing decisions are: Thomas J. Clifford, Forest Supervisor, Helena National Forest, 2880 Skyway Drive, Helena, Mt. 59601; and Larry E. Hamilton, State Director, USDI-Bureau of Land Management, Montana State Office, 222 North 32nd Street, PO Box 36800, Billings, MT 59107-6800.

They will decide on this proposal after considering comments, responses, and environmental consequences discussed in the FEIS (released March 4, 1996), information contained in this Supplement, (scheduled for release January, 1997) and applicable laws, regulations, and policies. The decision, rationale for the decision, and responses to comments received, will be documented in the FEIS supplement, and in a Record of Decision (ROD).

The comment period on the draft supplement will be 45 days from the date the Environmental Protection Agency publishes the notice of availability in the Federal Register.

The Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management believe, 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 supplements must structure their participation on the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions. *Vermont Yankee Power Corp. v. NRDC*, 435 U.S. 519,553 (1978). Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the draft supplement stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final supplement may be waived or dismissed by the courts. *City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th Cir. 1986) and *Wilson Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490, F. Suppl 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 objectives are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final supplement.

To assist the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management in identifying and considering concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft supplement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages of the draft supplement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft supplement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Dated: August 21, 1996.

James E. Guest,

*Acting Forest Supervisor, Helena National Forest.*

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## Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

### Proposed Posting of Stockyard

The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, has information that the livestock markets named below are stockyards as defined in Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act (7 U.S.C. 202), and should be made subject to the provisions of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*).

AL-190—Natural Bridge Stockyard, Natural Bridge, Alabama  
AZ-115—Tucson Livestock Auction, Inc., Marana, Arizona  
GA-217—Rocking Horse Ranch Livestock Auction, Poulan, Georgia  
GA-218—R & R Goat and Livestock Auction, Swainsboro, Georgia  
MN-191—Iron Range Livestock Exchange, Inc., Aitkin, Minnesota  
MS-169—McDermott Sale Company, Byhalia, Mississippi  
WI-145—Richland Cattle Center L.L.C., Richland Center, Wisconsin

Pursuant to the authority under Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to designate the stockyards named above as posted stockyards subject to the provisions of said Act.

Any person who wishes to submit written data, views or arguments

concerning the proposed designation may do so by filing them with the Director, Livestock Marketing Division, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Room 3408—South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250 by October 2, 1996. All written submissions made pursuant to this notice will be made available for public inspection in the office of the Director of the Livestock Marketing Division during normal business hours.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 17th day of September 1996.

Daniel L. Van Ackeren,

*Director, Livestock Marketing Division, Packers and Stockyards Programs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

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### Brass Sheet and Strip From Germany; Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Determination Not To Revoke in Part

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review and Determination Not To Revoke in Part.

**SUMMARY:** On May 6, 1996, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of its administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip (BSS) from Germany, and its intent to revoke in part (61 FR 20214). The review covers exports of this merchandise to the United States by one manufacturer/exporter, Wieland-Werke AG (Wieland), during the period March 1, 1994 through February 28, 1995.

We gave interested parties an opportunity to comment on our preliminary results. Based on our analysis of the comments received, we adjusted our calculations of Wieland's margin for these final results. The review indicates the existence of no dumping margins for this period. We have also determined not to revoke the antidumping duty order in part.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 23, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas Killiam or John Kugelman, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Group III, Import Administration, International