

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

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the draft environmental impact statement should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the draft statement. Comments may also address the adequacy of the draft environmental impact statement or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Comments received, including the names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record on this proposal and will be available for public inspection.

(Authority: 40 CFR 1501.7 and 1508.22; Forest Service Handbook 1909.15, Section 21)

Dated: February 6, 2004.

Rick Brazell,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Northwest Sacramento Provincial Advisory Committee (SAC PAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Northwest Sacramento Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) will meet on March 31, 2004, at the Camden House in Whiskeytown National Park, California. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss issues relating to implementing the Northwest Forest Plan.

DATES: The meeting will be held March 31, 2004.

Location: The meeting will be held in the Camden House at Whiskeytown National Park, CA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Nelson, Committee Coordinator, USDA, Shasta-Trinity National Forest, 3644 Avtech Parkway, Redding CA, 96002 (530) 226-2429; or by e-mail: jknelson@fs.fed.us.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Opportunity will be provided for public input and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: February 23, 2004.

J. Sharon Heywood,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

[03-03-S]

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration; Designation for the Champaign (IL), Detroit (MI), Eastern Iowa (IA), Enid (OK), Keokuk (IA), and Michigan (MI) Areas

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) announces designation of the following organizations to provide official services

under the United States Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act):

Champaign-Danville Grain Inspection Departments, Inc. (Champaign);

Detroit Grain Inspection Service, Inc. (Detroit);

Eastern Iowa Grain Inspection and Weighing Service, Inc. (Eastern Iowa); Enid Grain Inspection Company, Inc. (Enid);

Keokuk Grain Inspection Service (Keokuk); and

Michigan Grain Inspection Services, Inc. (Michigan).

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 2004.

ADDRESSES: USDA, GIPSA, Janet M. Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647-S, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20250-3604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Janet M. Hart at 202-720-8525, e-mail Janet.M.Hart@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action has been reviewed and determined not to be a rule or regulation as defined in Executive Order 12866 and Departmental Regulation 1512-1; therefore, the Executive Order and Departmental Regulation do not apply to this action.

In the September 2, 2003, **Federal Register** (68 FR 52178), GIPSA asked persons interested in providing official services in the geographic areas assigned to the official agencies named above to submit an application for designation. Applications were due by October 1, 2003.

Champaign, Detroit, Eastern Iowa, Enid, Keokuk, and Michigan were the sole applicants for designation to provide official services in the entire area currently assigned to them, so GIPSA did not ask for additional comments on them.

GIPSA evaluated all available information regarding the designation criteria in section 7(f)(1)(A) of the Act and, according to section 7(f)(1)(B), determined that Champaign, Detroit, Eastern Iowa, Enid, Keokuk, and Michigan are able to provide official services in the geographic areas specified in the September 2, 2003, **Federal Register**, for which they applied. Interested persons may obtain official services by calling the telephone numbers listed below.

| Official agency | Headquarters location and telephone | Designation start-end |
|--------------------|---|-----------------------|
| Champaign | Champaign, IL—(217) 398-0723 | 4/01/2004-3/31/2007 |
| | Additional locations: Hoopston, IL, and Terre Haute, IN | |
| Detroit | Emmet, MI—(810) 395-2105 | 4/01/2004-3/31/2007 |
| Eastern Iowa | Davenport, IA—(563) 322-7140 | 4/01/2004-3/31/2007 |
| | Additional locations: Dubuque and Muscatine, IA; Gulfport, IL | |

| Official agency | Headquarters location and telephone | Designation start—end |
|-----------------|---|-----------------------|
| Enid | Enid, OK—(580) 233-1121 | 4/01/2004–3/31/2007 |
| Keokuk | Additional location: Catoosa, OK | |
| | Keokuk, IA—(319) 524-6482 | 4/01/2004–3/31/2007 |
| | Additional location: Havana, IL | |
| Michigan | Marshall, MI—(269) 781-2711 | 4/01/2004–3/31/2007 |
| | Additional locations: Cairo, OH, and Carrollton, MI | |

Authority: Pub. L. 94–582, 90 Stat. 2867, as amended (7 U.S.C. 71 *et seq.*).

Donna Reifschneider,
Administrator, Grain Inspection, Packers and
Stockyards Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

[04–01–A]

Opportunity for Designation in the Amarillo (TX), Cairo (IL), Louisiana, North Carolina, Belmont (IA), and Wisconsin Areas, and Request for Comments on the Official Agencies Serving These Areas

AGENCY: Grain Inspection, Packers and
Stockyards Administration, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The designations of the
official agencies listed below will end in
September 2004. Grain Inspection,
Packers and Stockyards Administration

(GIPSA) is asking persons interested in
providing official services in the areas
served by these agencies to submit an
application for designation. GIPSA is
also asking for comments on the quality
of services provided by these currently
designated agencies: Amarillo Grain
Exchange, Inc. (Amarillo); Cairo Grain
Inspection Agency, Inc. (Cairo);
Louisiana Department of Agriculture
and Forestry (Louisiana); North Carolina
Department of Agriculture (North
Carolina); D. R. Schaal Agency, Inc.
(Schaal); and Wisconsin Department of
Agriculture, Trade and Consumer
Protection (Wisconsin).

DATES: Applications and comments
must be postmarked or electronically
dated on or before April 1, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Submit applications and
comments to USDA, GIPSA, Janet M.
Hart, Chief, Review Branch, Compliance
Division, STOP 3604, Room 1647–S,
1400 Independence Avenue, SW.,
Washington, DC 20250–3604; FAX 202–
690–2755. If an application is submitted
by FAX, GIPSA reserves the right to
request an original application. All
applications and comments will be

made available for public inspection at
Room 1647–S, 1400 Independence
Avenue, SW., during regular business
hours.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Janet M. Hart at 202–720–8525, e-mail
Janet.M.Hart@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This
Action has been reviewed and
determined not to be a rule or regulation
as defined in Executive Order 12866
and Departmental Regulation 1512–1;
therefore, the Executive Order and
Departmental Regulation do not apply
to this Action.

Section 7(f)(1) of the United States
Grain Standards Act, as amended (Act),
authorizes GIPSA's Administrator to
designate a qualified applicant to
provide official services in a specified
area after determining that the applicant
is better able than any other applicant
to provide such official services.

Section 7(g)(1) of the Act provides
that designations of official agencies
shall end not later than triennially and
may be renewed according to the
criteria and procedures prescribed in
section 7(f) of the Act.

1. CURRENT DESIGNATIONS BEING ANNOUNCED FOR RENEWAL

| Official agency | Main office | Designation start | Designation end |
|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Amarillo | Amarillo, TX | 12/01/2001 | 9/30/2004 |
| Cairo | Cairo, IL | 10/01/2001 | 9/30/2004 |
| Louisiana | Baton Rouge, LA | 10/01/2001 | 9/30/2004 |
| North Carolina | Raleigh, NC | 10/01/2001 | 9/30/2004 |
| Schaal | Belmont, IA | 12/01/2001 | 9/30/2004 |
| Wisconsin | Madison, WI | 12/01/2001 | 9/30/2004 |

a. Pursuant to section 7(f)(2) of the
Act, the following geographic area, in
the States of Oklahoma and Texas, is
assigned to Amarillo.

In Texas:

Bounded on the North by the Texas-
Oklahoma State line to the eastern Clay
County line;

Bounded on the East by the eastern
Clay, Archer, Throckmorton,
Shackelford, and Callahan County lines;

Bounded on the South by the
southern Callahan, Taylor, and Nolan
County lines;

Bounded on the West by the western
Nolan, Fisher, Stonewall, King, and

Cottle County lines; the western
Childress County line north to U.S.
Route 287; U.S. Route 287 northwest to
Donley County; the southern Donley
and Armstrong County lines west to
Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River;
Prairie Dog Town Fork of the Red River
northwest to State Route 217; State
Route 217 west to FM 1062; FM 1062
west to U.S. Route 385; U.S. Route 385
north to Oldham County; the southern
Oldham County line; the western
Oldham, Hartley, and Dallam County
lines.

Beaver, Beckham, Cimarron, Ellis,
Harper, Roger Mills, and Texas
Counties, Oklahoma.

b. Pursuant to section 7(f)(2) of the
Act, the following geographic area, in
the States of Illinois, Kentucky, and
Tennessee, is assigned to Cairo.

Randolph County (southwest of State
Route 150 from the Mississippi River
north to State Route 3); Jackson County
(southwest of State Route 3 southeast to
State Route 149; State Route 149 east to
State Route 13; State Route 13 southeast
to U.S. Route 51; U.S. Route 51 south to
Union County); and Alexander,