

fiscal realities, and working together to frame the structures, processes, roles and responsibilities that will allow them to act effectively as joint stewards of this valuable regional and national resource, in concert with citizens who increasingly desire to redeem their responsibilities in stewardship of their lands.

Officials from the City of Portland and the Mount Hood National Forest prepared this new Agreement between the City and the Forest Service to identify preferred administrative arrangements for their joint management of the Bull Run Watershed Management Unit. The purpose and hope of the Agreement is to document a new and more relevant relationship between the City and the Forest Service for the long-term stewardship of the Bull Run Watershed Management Unit that is built on a firm foundation of citizen involvement.

The final Agreement was approved on December 17, 2007. In completing the Agreement, the Forest and the City responded to comments received during the comment period and also jointly prepared a Report to the Community. This Report discussed the history and background of discussions that led to the new agreement. This Report is also available on both of the Web sites listed above. The Agency officials are Gary Larsen, Forest Supervisor, Mt. Hood National Forest for the Forest Service, and the City official is Randy Leonard, Commissioner-in-Charge, City of Portland Water Bureau for the City of Portland.

(Authority: Sec. 2, Pub. L. 95-200, 91 Stat. 1425 (16 U.S.C. 482b))

Dated: January 2, 2008.

**Gary L. Larsen,**

*Forest Supervisor.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Notice of Proposed Changes to the Natural Resources Conservation Service's National Handbook of Conservation Practices**

**AGENCY:** Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of proposed changes in the NRCS National Handbook of Conservation Practices for public review and comment.

**SUMMARY:** It is NRCS's intention to issue a series of new or revised conservation

practice standards in its National Handbook of Conservation Practices. These standards include: "Filter Strip (Code 393)," "Hillside Ditch (Code 423)," "Access Control (formerly titled Use Exclusion) (Code 472)," "Drainage Water Management (Code 554)," "Vegetated Treatment Area (formerly titled Wastewater Treatment Strip) (Code 635)," and "Constructed Wetland (Code 656)." NRCS State Conservationists who choose to adopt these practices for use within their States will incorporate them into Section IV of their respective electronic Field Office Technical Guides. These practices may be used in conservation systems that treat highly erodible land (HEL) or on land determined to be a wetland.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** Comments will be received for a 30-day period commencing with this date of publication. Final versions of these new or revised conservation practice standards will be adopted after the close of the 30-day period, after consideration of all comments.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments should be submitted by one of the following methods:

1. In writing to: National Agricultural Engineer, NRCS, Post Office Box 2890, Washington, DC 20013-2890; or

2. Electronically by e-mail to: [daniel.meyer@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:daniel.meyer@wdc.usda.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Copies of these standards can be downloaded and/or printed from the following Web site: <ftp://ftp-fc.sc.egov.usda.gov/NHQ/practice-standards/federal-register/>. Also, copies of these standards are available from National Headquarters in Washington, DC. Submit inquiries in writing to Daniel Meyer, National Agricultural Engineer, NRCS, Post Office Box 2890, Room 6139-S, Washington, DC 20013-2890; or electronically to: [daniel.meyer@wdc.usda.gov](mailto:daniel.meyer@wdc.usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 requires NRCS to make available for public review and comment all proposed revisions to conservation practice standards used to carry out the HEL and wetland provisions of the law. For the next 30 days, NRCS will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period, a determination will be made by NRCS regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of changes will be made.

Signed in Washington, DC, January 9, 2008.

**Arlen L. Lancaster,**  
*Chief.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Estimates of the Voting Age Population for 2007**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Commerce.

**ACTION:** General Notice announcing population estimates.

**SUMMARY:** This Notice announces the voting age population estimates, as of July 1, 2007, for each state and the District of Columbia. We are giving this notice in accordance with the 1976 amendment to the Federal Election Campaign Act, Title 2, United States Code, Section 441a(e).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Enrique Lamas, Chief, Population Division, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, Room HQ-5H174, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301-763-2071.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the requirements of the 1976 amendment to the Federal Election Campaign Act, Title 2, United States Code, Section 441a(e), I hereby give notice that the estimates of the voting age population for July 1, 2007, for each state and the District of Columbia are as shown in the following table.

**ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF VOTING AGE FOR EACH STATE AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: JULY 1, 2007**

Area	Population 18 and over
United States .....	227,719,424
Alabama .....	3,504,314
Alaska .....	501,260
Arizona .....	4,668,889
Arkansas .....	2,134,260
California .....	27,169,291
Colorado .....	3,668,836
Connecticut .....	2,682,093
Delaware .....	659,118
District of Columbia .....	474,572
Florida .....	14,207,683
Georgia .....	7,013,141
Hawaii .....	997,694
Idaho .....	1,091,690
Illinois .....	9,653,389
Indiana .....	4,758,771
Iowa .....	2,276,643
Kansas .....	2,079,915
Kentucky .....	3,237,501

**ESTIMATES OF THE POPULATION OF VOTING AGE FOR EACH STATE AND THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA: JULY 1, 2007—Continued**

Area	Population 18 and over
Louisiana .....	3,213,644
Maine .....	1,037,740
Maryland .....	4,259,547
Massachusetts .....	5,016,899
Michigan .....	7,624,966
Minnesota .....	3,937,339
Mississippi .....	2,150,081
Missouri .....	4,453,585
Montana .....	738,363
Nebraska .....	1,328,426
Nevada .....	1,905,380
New Hampshire .....	1,017,642
New Jersey .....	6,622,131
New Mexico .....	1,469,639
New York .....	14,884,315
North Carolina .....	6,843,352
North Dakota .....	496,906
Ohio .....	8,715,043
Oklahoma .....	2,717,809
Oregon .....	2,884,547
Pennsylvania .....	9,646,073
Rhode Island .....	824,717
South Carolina .....	3,347,792
South Dakota .....	599,324
Tennessee .....	4,685,233
Texas .....	17,281,014
Utah .....	1,828,508
Vermont .....	489,901
Virginia .....	5,885,912
Washington .....	4,932,056
West Virginia .....	1,424,654
Wisconsin .....	4,280,361
Wyoming .....	397,465

I have certified these counts to the Federal Election Commission.

Dated: January 16, 2008.

**Carlos M. Gutierrez,**  
*Secretary, Department of Commerce.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Bureau of the Census**

**Request for Nominations of Members To Serve on the Census Advisory Committee on the Hispanic Population**

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Census, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) is requesting nominations of individuals to the Census Advisory Committee on the Hispanic Population. The Census Bureau will consider nominations received in response to this Notice, as well as from other sources. The

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this Notice provides Committee and membership criteria.

**DATES:** Please submit nominations by February 22, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit nominations to Jeri Green, Chief, Census Advisory Committee Office, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 8H182, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233. Nominations also may be submitted via fax at (301) 763-8609, or by e-mail to [jeri.green@census.gov](mailto:jeri.green@census.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeri Green, Chief, Census Advisory Committee Office, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 8H182, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233, telephone (301) 763-2070.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee was established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2) in 1995. The following provides information about the Committee, membership, and the nomination process.

**Objectives and Duties**

1. The Committee provides an organized and continuing channel of communication between Hispanic communities and the Census Bureau. Committee members identify useful strategies to reduce the differential undercount for the Hispanic population, and on ways data can be disseminated for maximum usefulness to the Hispanic population.

2. The Committee draws upon prior decennial planning efforts, research studies, test censuses, and other experiences to provide advice and recommendations for the 2010 Decennial Census Program.

3. The Committee functions solely as an advisory body under the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

4. The Committee reports to the Director of the Census Bureau.

**Membership**

1. Members are appointed by and serve at the discretion of the Secretary of Commerce. They are appointed to the nine-member Committee for a period of three years.

2. Members will be reevaluated at the conclusion of the three-year term, with the prospect of renewal, pending meeting attendance, administrative compliance, advisory committee needs, and the Secretary's concurrence. Committee members are selected in accordance with applicable Department of Commerce guidelines. The Committee aims to have a balanced representation, considering such factors

as geography, gender, technical expertise, community involvement, and knowledge of census procedures and activities. The Committee aims to include members from diverse backgrounds, including state and local governments, academia, media, research, community-based organizations, and the private sector. No employee of the federal government can serve as a member of the Committee. Meeting attendance and active participation in the activities of the Advisory Committee are essential for sustained Committee membership, as well as submission of required annual financial disclosure statements.

**Miscellaneous**

1. Members of the Committee serve without compensation but receive reimbursement for Committee-related travel and lodging expenses.

2. The Committee meets at least once a year, budget permitting, but additional meetings may be held, as deemed necessary, by the Census Bureau Director or Designated Federal Official. All Committee meetings are open to the public in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

**Nomination Information**

1. Nominations are requested as described above.

2. Nominees should have expertise and knowledge of the cultural patterns, issues, and/or data needs of the Hispanic community. Such knowledge and expertise are needed to provide advice and recommendations to the Census Bureau on how best to enumerate the Hispanic population and obtain complete and accurate data on this population. Individuals, groups, or organizations may submit nominations on behalf of a potential candidate. A summary of the candidate's qualifications (résumé or curriculum vitae) must be included along with the nomination letter. Nominees must have the ability to participate in Advisory Committee meetings and tasks. Besides Committee meetings, active participation may include Committee assignments and participation in conference calls and working groups.

3. The Department of Commerce is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks diverse Committee membership.

Dated: January 15, 2008.

**Steve H. Murdock,**  
*Director, Bureau of the Census.*  
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