

the character of culturally significant landscapes.

As directed by the Six Rivers National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP), the opportunity to graze must also be consistent with the values and uses of other resources. Range, as well as all other resources within the grazing allotments, should be maintained in satisfactory condition. Because unsatisfactory resource conditions have been identified at key areas within the allotments, action is required that will help restore disturbed areas by using the natural resiliency of the landscape in conjunction with conservative, adaptive management.

Range management uses key areas and benchmark sites which are designed to serve as examples average use and conditions throughout each allotment; therefore, their status is thought to reflect wider ecosystem processes and the effects of grazing management across the landscape. Current unsatisfactory resource conditions at key areas and benchmark sites represent a need to change or refine grazing management strategies to achieve resource objectives. Sustaining desired conditions at key areas will help to ensure that desired conditions are sustained elsewhere within the allotments.

Proposed Action

The Lower Trinity Ranger District, Six Rivers National Forest, proposes to continue livestock grazing in the Trinity Summit High Country area under the conditions described below and to implement boundary and administrative changes to facilitate improved management. The Mill Creek and Trinity Summit grazing allotments would be combined into a single allotment. A non-significant Forest Plan amendment is proposed to modify the allotment boundary to include a 225-acre area on the western boundary of the current allotment (T.8 N., R 6 E. Section 3).

The Forest also proposes to authorize cattle grazing following an adaptive management process that will meet LRMP goals, objectives, standards and guidelines, and other legal requirements while moving toward desired conditions. This proposed action establishes a maximum stocking rate and season of use based on what the landscape can sustain under satisfactory range and riparian conditions.

Responsible Official

Tyrone Kelley, Forest Supervisor, Six Rivers National Forest, 1330 Bayshore Way, Eureka, CA 95501.

Nature of Decision To Be Made

The responsible official will decide whether to adopt and implement the proposed action, an alternative to the proposed action, or the no action (no grazing) alternative.

Scoping Process

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. Public meetings are being scheduled to share information regarding this project. Meeting dates and locations will be posted in the newspaper of record or contact Bill Rice at (503) 629-2118.

Comment Requested

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

The Forest Service believes, at this early state, it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings 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 positions 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 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 at these court rulings, it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 45 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.

Dated: April 17, 2009.

Tyrone Kelley,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of Meeting; Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108-447)

AGENCY: Pacific Southwest Region, Forest Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Southwest Recreation Resource Advisory Committee (Recreation RAC) will hold a meeting in Vallejo, California. The purpose of this meeting is to make recommendations for fee proposals on lands managed by the Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management in California. The Recreation RRAC will consider fee proposals for expanded amenity fees from the Plumas National Forest and Special Recreation Permit fees from the Bureau of Land Management, El Centro Field Office. The Forest Service will also give updates on the recreational fee program, accomplishment reporting and financial reporting for the Sequoia National Forest.

DATES: The meeting will be held May 13, 2009 from 10 a.m.-3:15 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Forest Service Pacific Southwest Regional Office. The address for the Regional office is 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA. Send written comments to Marlene Finley, Designated Federal Official for the Pacific Southwest Region Recreation RAC, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592, 707-562-8856 or mfinley01@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marlene Finley, Designated Federal Official, Pacific Southwest Region Recreation RAC, 1323 Club Drive, Vallejo, CA 94592.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management staff and Committee

members. However, persons who wish to bring recreation fee matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting. A public input session will be provided during the meeting and individuals who wish to address the Recreation RAC will have an opportunity at 10:30 a.m. on May 13. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person. The Recreation RAC is authorized by the Federal Land Recreation Enhancement Act, which was signed into law by President Bush in December 2004.

Dated: April 17, 2009.

Marlene Finley,

Designated Federal Official, Recreation RAC, Pacific Southwest Region.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Hood/Willamette Resource Advisory Committee (RAC)

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA Forest Service Action: Action of Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hood/Willamette Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will meet on Thursday, May 28, 2009. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude at approximately 12:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Salem Office of the Bureau of Land Management Office; 1717 Fabry Road SE; Salem, Oregon; (503) 375-5646. The tentative agenda includes: (1) Recommendations on 2009 and 2010 Projects; and (2) Public Forum.

The Public Forum is tentatively scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. Time allotted for individual presentations will be limited to 4-5 minutes. Written comments are encouraged, particularly if the material cannot be presented within the time limits for the Public Forum. Written comments may be submitted prior to the May meeting by sending them to Designated Federal Official Donna Short at the address given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For more information regarding this meeting, contact Designated Federal Official Donna Short; Sweet Home Ranger District; 4431 Highway 20; Sweet Home, Oregon 97386; (541) 367-3540.

Dated: April 15, 2009.

Dallas J. Emch,

Forest Supervisor.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Wyoming Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and the regulations of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that a meeting of the Wyoming Advisory Committee will convene at 10 a.m. and adjourn at 1 p.m. (MST) on Saturday, May 9, 2009 at Holland Hart LLP, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 450, Cheyenne, WY 82003.

The purpose of the meeting is to brief the committee on civil rights issues that include voting rights and responsibilities of the U.S. Attorneys office of Wyoming. The committee will discuss recent Commission and regional activities, discuss current civil rights issues in the state, and plan future activities.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Malee V. Craft, Director of the Rocky Mountain Regional Office, (303) 866-1040 (TDD 303-866-1049). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, April 21, 2009.

Christopher Byrnes,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Northwest Region Federal Fisheries Permits

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

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.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 23, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Kevin A. Ford, (206) 526-6115 or e-mail at kevin.ford@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) seeks comment on the renewal of permit information collections required to: (1) Renew and transfer of Pacific Coast Groundfish limited entry permits; (2) implement certain provisions of the sablefish permit stacking program as provided for at 50 CFR 660.372 and 660.334; and (3) issue and fulfill the terms and conditions of certain exempted fishing permits (EFP).

NMFS, Northwest Region manages the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) off Washington, Oregon, and California under the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan. The regulations implementing the Pacific Groundfish Fishery require that those individuals participating in the limited entry fishery have a valid limited entry permit. Participation in the fishery and access to a limited entry permit has been restricted to control the overall harvest capacity.

Each year permit owners are required to renew their permits by reviewing their current permit information, providing updated contact information and certifying that the permit information is correct. Similarly, a permit owner is required to request in writing a permit transfer which may involve either registering another vessel to the permit and/or conveying the permit to another person or business entity. Additional information may be requested from the permit owner to determine compliance with groundfish regulations. The regulations implementing the limited entry program are found at 50 CFR Part 660, Subpart G.

Also, NMFS requires information collections to implement a sablefish permit stacking program which will allow NMFS to prevent excessive fleet consolidation. This information collection requires a corporation or