Preliminary Issues

Preliminary issues identified include the potential effects of the proposed action on disease transmission to Wenaha bighorn sheep herd, First foods, a potential South Fork Walla Walla River Bighorn Sheep release site, and livestock management.

Scoping Process

This notice of intent initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement.

It is important that reviewers provide their comments at such times and in such manner that they are useful to the agency's preparation of the environmental impact statement. Therefore, comments should be provided prior to the close of the comment period and should clearly articulate the reviewer's concerns and contentions.

Dated: December 16, 2009.

Michael Rassbach,

District Ranger.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

North Central Idaho Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA. **ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Central Idaho RAC will meet in Grangeville, Idaho. The committee is meeting as authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L. 110–343) and in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss potential projects for the new fiscal year.

DATES: The meeting will be held January 14, 2010, at 10 a.m. (PST).

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Clearwater National Forest Supervisor's Office, 12730 Highway 12 in Orofino, Idaho. Written comments should be sent to Laura Smith at 104 Airport Road in Grangeville, Idaho 83530. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to lasmith@fs.fed.us or via facsimile to Laura at 208–983–4099.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laura Smith, Designated Forest Official at 208–983–5143.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. A public forum will begin at 3:15 p.m. (PST). The

following business will be conducted: Discussion of projects for FY10 approval. Persons who wish to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee staff before or after the meeting.

Dated: December 3, 2009.

Rick Brazell,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Notice of New Fee Site; Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (Title VIII, Pub. L. 108–447)

AGENCY: Mark Twain National Forest, Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of new fee site.

SUMMARY: The Mark Twain National Forest is proposing to begin charging a \$50 fee for the overnight rental of Sinking Tower Cabin. Rentals of other cabins on other National Forests have shown that people appreciate and enjoy the availability of historic rental cabins. Funds from the rental will be used for the continued operation and maintenance of Sinking Tower Cabin. People are invited to comment on this proposal. This fee is only proposed and will be determined upon further analysis and public comment.

DATES: Send any comments about these fee proposals by April 2010 so comments can be compiled, analyzed and shared with a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee. Sinking Tower Cabin will become available for recreation rental June, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Forest Supervisor, Mark Twain National Forest, 401 Fairgrounds Road, Rolla, MO 65401.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kris Swanson, Recreation Fee Coordinator, 573–341–7416.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Recreation Lands Enhancement Act (Title VII, Pub. L. 108–447) directed the Secretary of Agriculture to publish a six month advance notice in the Federal Register whenever new recreation fee areas are established. This new fee will be reviewed by a Recreation Resource Advisory Committee prior to a final decision and implementation.

The Mark Twain National Forest has no other cabin rentals. Rental of cabins on other National Forests has shown that people desire having this sort of recreation experience. A market analysis indicates that the \$50/per night fee is both reasonable and acceptable for this sort of unique recreation experience.

People wanting to rent Sinking Tower Cabin will need to do so through the National Recreation Reservation Service, at http://www.recreation.gov or by calling 1–877–444–6777. The National Recreation Reservation Service charges a \$9 fee for on-line reservations and a \$10 fee for phone reservations.

Dated: December 17, 2009.

David C. Whittekiend,

Mark Twain National Forest Supervisor.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Guide for Preparing and Submitting White Papers to the Technology Innovation Program

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce. **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 February 22, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 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 Ashley Howell at (301) 975–8252 or Ashley.Howell@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), United States Department of Commerce, requests comments on the proposed Guide for Preparing and Submitting White Papers to the Technology

Innovation Program. The guide explains how interested parties can participate in helping to develop new areas for future competitions for the Technology Innovation Program (TIP) by offering ideas in the form of a white paper. These white papers will be used by TIP staff in an effort to create a pipeline of societal challenges suitable for future funding opportunities. Societal challenges are problems that are not being addressed or funded but that could be addressed by innovative technologies and high-risk, high-reward research. The creative thoughts put forth in these white papers will be used to leverage nationally-recognized science and technology reports, knowledge from NIST, other government agencies, scientific advisory bodies, industry organizations, and leading researchers from academic institutions.

TIP uses white papers to shape future competitions. The pertinent ideas, concepts and knowledge offered by stakeholders in these white papers combined with information from a variety of other sources, enable TIP to identify and address areas of critical national need and associated societal challenges suitable for TIP investment.

II. Method of Collection

Electronically via tipwhitepaper@nist.gov.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: None. Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Regular submission. Affected Public: Federal government; State, local and tribal governments; Business or other for-profit organizations; Not-for-profit institutions; Individuals or households; and scientific advisory bodies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 100.

Estimated Time per Response: 4 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 400.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$700.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information

on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: December 18, 2009.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Information Collection; Submission for OMB Review, Comment Request

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the 'Corporation''), has submitted a public information collection request (ICR) entitled the AmeriCorps NCCC Service Project Application to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35). Copies of this ICR, with applicable supporting documentation, may be obtained by calling the Corporation for National and Community Service, Mrs. Kelly DeGraff (202) 606-6817. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY-TDD) may call (202) 565-2799 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. eastern time, Monday through Friday.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted, identified by the title of the information collection activity, to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attn: Ms. Sharon Mar, OMB Desk Officer for the Corporation for National and Community Service, by any of the following two methods within 30 days from the date of publication in this Federal Register:

- (1) By fax to: (202) 395–6974, Attention: Ms. Sharon Mar, OMB Desk Officer for the Corporation for National and Community Service; and
- (2) Electronically by e-mail to: smar@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The OMB is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Propose ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Propose ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

Comments

A 60-day public comment Notice was published in the **Federal Register** on October 16, 2009. This comment period ended December 16. No public comments were received from this Notice.

Description: The AmeriCorps NCCC (National Civilian Community Corps) is a full-time, residential, national service program that combines the best practices of civilian service with the best aspects of military service. The mission is to strengthen communities and develop leaders through team-based national and community service. Each year, hundreds of young adults serve as NCCC members. Based at campuses in communities in several states, teams take on projects throughout their regions. Members help communities meet needs in the areas of natural and other disasters, infrastructure improvement, environmental stewardship and conservation, energy conservation, and urban and rural development. Teams are available to help community and faith-based organizations, national nonprofits, schools, local municipalities, national and state parks, and Indian tribes. Members tutor students, construct and rehabilitate low-income housing, build and repair trails, help citizens prepare for and respond to natural and other disasters, lead and manage community volunteers, and address other local needs. Service projects typically last from six to eight weeks. Because members are trained in disaster services and wild land fire fighting, they can be reassigned on short notice to support disaster relief operations.

Type of Review: Renewal.