

promoted by the applicant for the year 2010, as specified in the 2007 Cooperator program application.

The Commodity Branches' recommended funding levels for each applicant are converted to percentages of the total Cooperator program funds available and then multiplied by each weight factor to determine the amount of funds allocated to each applicant.

2. *Anticipated Announcement Date:* Announcements of funding decisions for the Cooperator program are anticipated during October 2011.

## VI. Award Administration Information

1. *Award Notices:* The FAS will notify each applicant in writing of the final disposition of its application. The FAS will send an approval letter and project agreement to each approved applicant. The approval letter and project agreement will specify the terms and conditions applicable to the project, including the levels of Cooperator program funding, and cost-share contribution requirements.

2. *Administrative and National Policy Requirements:* Interested parties should review the Cooperator program regulations, which are available at the following URL address: <http://www.fas.usda.gov/mos/programs/fmdprogram.asp>. Hard copies may be obtained by contacting the Program Operations Division.

3. *Reporting:* The FAS requires various reports and evaluations from Cooperators. Reporting requirements are detailed in the Cooperator program regulations in sections 1484.53, 1484.70, and 1484.72.

## VII. Agency Contact(s)

For additional information and assistance, contact the Program Operations Division, Office of Trade Programs, Foreign Agricultural Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

*Courier address:* Portals Office Building, Suite 400, 1250 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20024, or *by phone:* (202) 720-4327, or *by fax:* (202) 720-9361, or *by e-mail:* [podadmin@fas.usda.gov](mailto:podadmin@fas.usda.gov).

Signed at Washington, DC, on the 25th of March, 2011.

**John D. Brewer,**

*Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service, and Vice President, Commodity Credit Corporation.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### **Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest; Nevada; Environmental Impact Statement for Geothermal Leasing on the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of Intent to prepare an environmental impact statement.

**SUMMARY:** The Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest (HTNF) will prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) to evaluate certain National Forest System (NFS) lands for geothermal leasing availability. The project area includes NFS lands on the HTNF in Douglas, Lyon, Mineral, Lander, Nye and White Pine County, NV.

**DATES:** Comments concerning the scope of the analysis must be received by May 16, 2011. The draft environmental impact statement is expected in October 2011 and the final environmental impact statement is expected in March 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Send written comments to Keith Whaley, Project Manager, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, Bridgeport Ranger District, HC 62 Box 1000, Bridgeport, CA 93517. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to [comments-intermtn-humboldt-toiyabe@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-intermtn-humboldt-toiyabe@fs.fed.us) or via facsimile to (760) 932-5899. Comments can be hand-delivered to: Bridgeport Ranger Station, Highway 395 South, Bridgeport, CA, Attn. Keith Whaley. Comments received in response to this Notice of Intent (NOI), including names and addresses of those who comment, will be considered part of the public record for this project and will be available for public inspection and will be released, if requested, under the Freedom of Information Act.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Keith Whaley, Project Manager, Bridgeport Ranger District, HC 62 Box 1000, Bridgeport, CA 93517; *Telephone:* (760) 932-5821; *E-mail:* [kwhaley@fs.fed.us](mailto:kwhaley@fs.fed.us).

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#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **Purpose and Need for Action**

The purpose of the proposed action is to determine if certain lands within the HTNF may be made available for geothermal leasing, and if so, to identify reasonable and necessary conditions to protect surface resources. The need for

the proposed action is to allow the FS to satisfy their respective statutory and policy mandates in responding to requests for the environmentally responsible development of energy resources; to address provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (Sections 211 and 222[d][1]); respond to other policy directives calling for clean and renewable energy; and to meet the increasing energy demands of the nation while reducing reliance on foreign energy imports, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and improving national security.

#### **Proposed Action**

The HTNF would make approximately 662,700 acres of NFS lands administratively available for geothermal leasing. The lands to be made available encompass the Nevada portion of the Bridgeport Ranger District (approximately 659,000 acres), one area on the Austin Ranger District (approximately 3,200 acres), one area (approximately 160 acres) on the Tonopah District and one area on the Ely Ranger District (approximately 3,574 acres). Leasing would include stipulations from Chapter 2 of the Geothermal Leasing Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (BLM, October 2008) and other stipulations determined to be reasonable and necessary to protect surface resources.

The Decision resulting from this analysis would not affect any prior decisions on: (1) Geothermal leases in effect (2) Regional Forester Consent Decisions for specific geothermal leases or (3) lands made available under previous Forest-Level Availability Determination Decisions at the time said Decision is made. In addition, this analysis does not make any leasing determination decisions on any lands being analyzed under a separate environmental analysis at the time of this EIS.

#### **Possible Alternatives**

*The No-Action Alternative:* The USFS would not make an availability determination on these lands identified under this analysis. Processing of geothermal lease applications and nominations would continue, however, they would be evaluated on a case-by-case basis under separate NEPA analyses.

*The No Leasing Alternative:* The No Leasing Alternative would not allow leasing of geothermal resources on the subject NFS lands. Under this alternative, lands within the project area analyzed would not be available for leasing.

**Lead and Cooperating Agencies**

The Bureau of Land Management Nevada State office, located at 1340 Financial Blvd, Reno, NV 89502, is a cooperating agency for this NEPA analysis.

**Responsible Official**

Jeanne M. Higgins, Forest Supervisor, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest, 1200 Franklin Way, Sparks, Nevada 89431.

**Nature of Decision To Be Made**

Based on the environmental analysis and disclosure in the EIS, the Forest Supervisor will decide whether or not to make available for geothermal leasing the lands analyzed in this EIS.

**Preliminary Issues**

Preliminary issues identified based on our experience with similar projects includes, but is not limited to, cultural resources, wildlife, vegetation, air, water, Native American concerns, visuals, land use, hazardous materials, inventoried roadless areas, social, and economic conditions. Other issues may be identified during the scoping period.

**Scoping Process**

This NOI initiates the scoping process, which guides the development of the environmental impact statement. The scoping period for this EIS will run 30 days from the published date of this NOI.

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.

Comments received in response to this solicitation, including names and addresses of those who comment, will be part of the public record for this proposed action. Comments submitted anonymously will be accepted and considered, however.

Dated: 17, 2011.

**Jeanne M. Higgins,**  
Forest Supervisor.

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Forest Service****Lynn Canal/Icy Straits Resource Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Lynn Canal/Icy Straits Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Juneau, Alaska, April 25, 2011. The purpose of this meeting is to orient the new appointees as to the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2008, provide operational guidelines, discuss and adopt specific bylaws for the RAC, and elect a RAC Chairperson.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held April 25, 2011 from 8:30-3:30.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Juneau Ranger District/Admiralty National Monument Office, 8510 Mendenhall Loop Road, Juneau, Alaska. Send written comments to Lynn Canal/Icy Straits Resource Advisory Committee, c/o Admiralty National Monument Ranger, 8510 Mendenhall Loop Road, Juneau, Alaska 99801, or electronically to Debra Robinson, RAC Coordinator at [drobinson03@fs.fed.us](mailto:drobinson03@fs.fed.us).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Debra Robinson, RAC Coordinator Juneau Ranger District/Admiralty National Monument, Tongass National Forest, (907) 789-0209.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: April 5, 2011.

**Chad Vanormer,**

*Admiralty National Monument Ranger.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE****Forest Service****Glenn/Colusa Resource Advisory Committee**

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Glenn/Colusa Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Willows, California. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (Pub. L 110-343) (the

Act) and operates in compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The purpose of the committee is to improve collaborative relationships and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with title II of the Act. The meeting is open to the public. The purpose of the meeting is to review and discuss existing projects, and review new proposals for additional projects.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held May 16, 2011 at 1:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at Mendocino National Forest, Grindstone Ranger District Office, Black Butte and Snow Mountain Conference Rooms, located at 825 N. Humboldt, Willows, CA 95988. Written comments may be submitted as described under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** All comments, including names and addresses when provided, are placed in the record and are available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at Grindstone Ranger District, Stonyford Work Center, 5171 Stonyford-Elk Creek Rd., Stonyford, CA 95979. Please call ahead to 530-963-3128 to facilitate entry into the building to view comments.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Laurie L. Pearson, Visitor Information Assistant, and Glenn/Colusa R.A.C. Coordinator, Grindstone Ranger District, 530-963-3128, [LLPearson@fs.fed.us](mailto:LLPearson@fs.fed.us).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following business will be conducted: 1. Introductions, 2. Approval of Minutes, 3. RAC Admin. Updates, 4. Public Comment, 5. New Project Proposals, 6. Presenters, 7. Project Reviews FY 08/09/10, 8. Schedule Monitoring Field Trip, 9. General Discussion, 10. Meeting Schedule, 11. Adjourn. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the committee may file written statements with the committee staff before or after the meeting. The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should request in writing by May 3, 2011 to be scheduled on the agenda. Written comments and requests for time for oral comments must be sent