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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains documents other than rules or proposed rules that are applicable to the public. Notices of hearings and investigations, committee meetings, agency decisions and rulings, delegations of authority, filing of petitions and applications and agency statements of organization and functions are examples of documents appearing in this section.

AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

Public Quarterly Meeting of the Board of Directors

AGENCY: United States African Development Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The US African Development Foundation (USADF) will hold its quarterly meeting of the Board of Directors to discuss the agency's programs and administration.

DATES: The meeting date is Monday, April 25, 2016, 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is USADF, 1400 I St. NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Tanton, 202-233-8811.

Authority: Public Law 96-533 (22 U.S.C. 290h).

Dated: April 5, 2016.

Doris Mason Martin,
General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

National Advisory Committee for Implementation of the National Forest System Land Management Planning Rule

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: The National Advisory Committee for Implementation of the National Forest System Land Management Planning Rule Committee (Committee) will meet in Charleston, South Carolina. Attendees may also participate via webinar and conference call. The Committee operates in

compliance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (Pub. L. 92-463). Committee information can be found at the following Web site: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/planningrule/committee>.

DATES: The meeting will be held in-person and via webinar/conference call on the following dates and times:

- Tuesday, May 10, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST.
- Wednesday, May 11, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST.
- Thursday, May 12, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. EST.

All meetings are subject to cancellation. For updated status of meetings prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under *For Further Information Contact*.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Charleston Historic Downtown, 425 Meeting Street, Charleston, South Carolina. For anyone who would like to attend via webinar and/or conference call, please visit the Web site listed above or contact the person listed in the section titled *For Further Information Contact*. Written comments may be submitted as described under *Supplementary Information*. All comments, including names and addresses, when provided, are placed in the record and available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at the USDA Forest Service Washington Office—Yates Building, 201 14th Street SW., Mail Stop 1104, Washington, DC 20250-1104. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Helwig, Committee Coordinator, by phone at 202-205-0892, or by email at jahelwig@fs.fed.us.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to provide:

1. Continued deliberations on formulating advice for the Secretary,
2. Discussion of Committee work group findings,
3. Hearing public comments, and
4. Administrative tasks.

This meeting is open to the public. The agenda will include time for people

to make oral comments of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral comment should submit a request in writing by May 2, 2016, to be scheduled on the agenda. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the Committee may file written statements with the Committee's staff before or after the meeting. Written comments and time requests for oral comments must be sent to Jennifer Helwig, USDA Forest Service, Ecosystem Management Coordination, 201 14th Street SW., Mail Stop 1104, Washington, DC, 20250-1104; or by email at jahelwig@fs.fed.us. The agenda and summary of the meeting will be posted on the Committee's Web site within 21 days of the meeting.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language interpreting, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodation. For access to the facility or proceedings, please contact the person listed in the section titled *For Further Information Contact*. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

Dated: March 30, 2016.

Brian Ferebee.

Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Black Hills National Forest Advisory Board

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Black Hills National Forest Advisory Board (Board) will meet in Rapid City, South Dakota. The Board is established consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. App. II), the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1600 *et seq.*), the National Forest Management Act of 1976 (16 U.S.C. 1612), and the Federal Public Lands Recreation Enhancement Act (Pub. L. 108-447). Additional information concerning the Board, including the meeting summary/

minutes, can be found by visiting the Board's Web site at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/blackhills/workingtogether/advisorycommittees>.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, at 1:00 p.m.

All meetings are subject to cancellation. For updated status of meeting prior to attendance, please contact the person listed under *For Further Information Contact*.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mystic Ranger District, 8221 South Highway 16, Rapid City, South Dakota.

Written comments may be submitted as described under *Supplementary Information*. All comments, including names and addresses, when provided, are placed in the record and available for public inspection and copying. The public may inspect comments received at the Black Hills National Forest Supervisor's Office. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Scott Jacobson, Board Coordinator, by phone at 605-440-1409 or by email at sjjacobson@fs.fed.us.

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, Monday through Friday.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to provide:

- (1) Over-snow and Non-motorized Working Group Report update;
- (2) Elk Management Report;
- (3) Heritage and Sacred Site update;
- (4) Forest Health Working Group Recommendation for FY 16-18;
- (5) Motorized Trails and Permit Fees;
- (6) Fire Season 2016 Outlook; and
- (7) Election.

The meeting is open to the public. The agenda will include time for people to make oral statements of three minutes or less. Individuals wishing to make an oral statement should submit a request in writing by April 11, 2016, to be scheduled on the agenda. Anyone who would like to bring related matters to the attention of the Board may file written statements with the Board's staff before or after the meeting. Written comments and time requests for oral comments must be sent to Scott Jacobson, Black Hills National Forest Supervisor's Office, 1019 North Fifth Street, Custer, South Dakota 57730; by email to sjjacobson@fs.fed.us, or via facsimile to 605-673-9208.

Meeting Accommodations: If you are a person requiring reasonable accommodation, please make requests in advance for sign language

interpreting, assistive listening devices, or other reasonable accommodation for access to the facility or proceedings by contacting the person listed in the section titled *For Further Information Contact*. All reasonable accommodation requests are managed on a case by case basis.

Dated: March 28, 2016.

Craig Bobzien,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business-Cooperative Service

Inviting Applications for Value-Added Producer Grants

AGENCY: Rural Business-Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice announces that the Rural Business-Cooperative Service (Agency) is accepting fiscal year (FY) 2016 applications for the Value-Added Producer Grant (VAPG) program. Approximately \$44 million is available to help agricultural producers enter into value-added activities for FY 2016, including approximately \$30.25 million available through the Agricultural Act of 2014 (2014 Farm Bill), \$10.75 million through the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 and \$3 million in carryover funding.

DATES: You must submit your application by July 1, 2016 or it will not be considered for funding. Paper applications must be postmarked and mailed, shipped or sent overnight by this date. You may also hand carry your application to one of our field offices, but it must be received by close of business on the deadline date. Electronic applications are permitted via <http://www.grants.gov> only, and must be received before midnight Eastern Time, June 24, 2016. Late applications are not eligible for grant funding under this Notice.

ADDRESSES: You should contact your USDA Rural Development State Office if you have questions about eligibility or submission requirements. You are encouraged to contact your State Office well in advance of the application deadline to discuss your project and to ask any questions about the application process. Application materials are available at <http://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/value-added-producer-grants>.

If you want to submit an electronic application, follow the instructions for

the VAPG funding announcement on <http://www.grants.gov>. Please review the Grants.gov Web site at <http://grants.gov/web/applicants/organization-registration.html> for instructions on the process of registering your organization as soon as possible to ensure you are able to meet the electronic application deadline. If you want to submit a paper application, send it to the State Office located in the State where your project will primarily take place. You can find State Office Contact information at <http://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-offices>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Grants Division, Cooperative Programs, Rural Business-Cooperative Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Avenue SW., MS 3253, Room 4008-South, Washington, DC 20250-3253, or call 202-690-1374.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Overview

Federal Agency Name: USDA Rural Business-Cooperative Service.

Funding Opportunity Title: Value-Added Producer Grant.

Announcement Type: Initial funding request.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number: 10.352.

Dates: Application Deadline. You must submit your complete paper application by July 1, 2016 or it will not be considered for funding. Electronic applications must be received by <http://www.grants.gov> no later than midnight Eastern Time, June 24, 2016 or it will not be considered for funding.

Paperwork Reduction Act

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, the paperwork burden associated with this Notice has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under OMB Control Number 0570-0039.

A. Program Description

The VAPG program is authorized under section 231 of the Agriculture Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-224), as amended by section 6203 of the Agricultural Act of 2014 (Pub. L. 113-79) (see 7 U.S.C. 1632a). Applicants must adhere to the requirements contained in the program regulation, 7 CFR 4284, subpart J, which is incorporated by reference in this Notice.

The objective of this grant program is to assist viable Independent Producers, Agricultural Producer Groups, Farmer and Rancher Cooperatives, and Majority-Controlled Producer-Based Businesses in starting or expanding value-added activities related to the