

# Notices

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### U.S. Codex Office

#### Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Food Additives

**AGENCY:** U.S. Codex Office, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Codex Office is sponsoring a public meeting on May 11, 2021. The objective of the public meeting is to provide information and receive public comments on agenda items and draft United States (U.S.) positions to be discussed at the 52nd Session of the Codex Committee on Food Additives (CCFA) of the Codex Alimentarius Commission. The U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius and the Acting Under Secretary for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs recognize the importance of providing interested parties the opportunity to obtain background information on the 52nd Session of the CCFA and to address items on the agenda.

**DATES:** The public meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. EDT.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will take place virtually. Documents related to the 52nd Session of the CCFA will be accessible via the internet at the following address: <http://www.fao.org/fao-who-codexalimentarius/meetings/en/>. Dr. Paul Honigfort, U.S. Delegate to the 52nd Session of the CCFA, invites U.S. interested parties to submit their comments electronically to the following email address: [ccfa@cfsan.fda.gov](mailto:ccfa@cfsan.fda.gov).

**Call-In-Number:** If you wish to participate in the public meeting for the 52nd Session of the CCFA by conference call, please join the Zoomgov Meeting at <https://fda.zoomgov.com/j/1617528805>; or Dial-in US Toll-free at (833)568-8864; Meeting ID: 161 752 8805.

**Registration:** Attendees may register to attend the meeting by emailing Dr. LaShonda Cureton at [ccfa@cfsan.fda.gov](mailto:ccfa@cfsan.fda.gov) by May 10, 2021. Early registration is encouraged.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For Further Information about the 52nd Session of the CCFA and the Public Meeting, contact U.S. Delegate, Dr. Paul Honigfort by phone at: +1 (240) 402-1206 or by email at [Paul.Honigfort@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:Paul.Honigfort@fda.hhs.gov), or Alternate U.S. Delegate, Dr. Daniel Folmer by phone +1 (240) 402-1274 or email [Daniel.Folmer@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:Daniel.Folmer@fda.hhs.gov).

For Further Information about the public meeting Contact: Dr. LaShonda Cureton by phone at +1 (240)402-1351 or by email at [Lashonda.Cureton@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:Lashonda.Cureton@fda.hhs.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

Codex was established in 1963 by two United Nations organizations, the Food and Agriculture Organization and the World Health Organization. Through adoption of food standards, codes of practice, and other guidelines developed by its committees, and by promoting their adoption and implementation by governments, Codex seeks to protect the health of consumers and ensure fair practices in the food trade.

The Terms of Reference of the Codex Committee on Food Additives are:

(a) To establish or endorse permitted maximum levels for individual food additives;

(b) to prepare priority lists of food additives for risk assessment by the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives;

(c) to assign functional classes to individual food additives;

(d) to recommend specifications of identity and purity for food additives for adoption by the Commission;

(e) to consider methods of analysis for the determination of additives in food; and

(f) to consider and elaborate standards or codes for related subjects such as the labelling of food additives when sold as such.

The CCFA is hosted by China. The United States attends the CCFA as a member country of Codex.

#### Issues To Be Discussed at the Public Meeting

The following items on the Agenda for the 52nd Session of the CCFA will be discussed during the public meeting:

- Matters Referred by the Codex Alimentarius Commission and other subsidiary bodies
- Matters of Interest arising from FAO/WHO and from the 87th Meeting of the Joint FAO/WHO Expert Committee on Food Additives (JECFA)
- Proposed draft specifications for identity and purity of food additives arising from the 87th JECFA meeting
  - Comments at Step 3
- Endorsement and/or revision of maximum levels for food additives and processing aids in Codex standards
- Alignment of the food additive provisions of commodity standards:
  - Report of the Electronic Working Group (EWG) on Alignment
- General Standard for Food Additives (GSFA): Report of the EWG on the GSFA
- General Standard for Food Additives: Proposals for new and/or revision of food additive provisions (replies to Circular Letter (CL) 2019/40-FA)
- Continuation of the discussion on the relevant provisions for sweeteners associated with Note 161
- General information on the availability of data related to nitrates and nitrites (replies to CL 2019/49-FA)
- Proposed draft revision to the International Numbering System (INS) for Food Additives (CAC/GL 36-1989)
  - Comments at Step 3
- Proposals for additions and changes to the Priority List of Substances proposed for evaluation by JECFA (replies to CL 2019/41-FA)
- Status and analysis of the GSFA online system in relation to the approach of not listing relevant commodity standards
- Other Business and Future Work

#### Public Meeting

At the May 11, 2021, public meeting, draft U.S. positions on the agenda items will be described and discussed, and attendees will have the opportunity to pose questions and offer comments. Written comments may be offered at the meeting or sent to Dr. Paul Honigfort, U.S. Delegate for the 52nd Session of the

CCFA (see **ADDRESSES**). Written comments should state that they relate to activities of the 52nd Session of the CCFA.

#### Additional Public Notification

Public awareness of all segments of rulemaking and policy development is important. Consequently, the U.S. Codex Office will announce this **Federal Register** publication on-line through the USDA web page located at: <http://www.usda.gov/codex>, a link that also offers an email subscription service providing access to information related to Codex. Customers can add or delete their subscription themselves and have the option to password protect their accounts.

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*Mail:* U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410.

*Fax:* (202) 690-7442, Email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

Done at Washington, DC, on March 10, 2021.

**Mary Lowe,**

*U.S. Manager for Codex Alimentarius.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Black Hills Resource Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Black Hills Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will conduct a virtual meeting. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (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. RAC information can be found at the following website: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/blackhills/workingtogether/advisorycommittees/?cid=STELPRD3807565>.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on April 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m., Mountain Standard Time. If business is not concluded another meeting will be held on April 22, 2021 at 5:00 p.m., Mountain Standard Time.

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 virtually along with a conference call line. Detailed instructions on how to attend the meeting virtually will be sent out via email along with a news release approximately one week prior to the meeting. 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 Mystic Ranger District Office. Please call ahead to facilitate entry into the building.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kelly Warnke, Committee Coordinator, by phone at 605-716-1978 or by email at [kelly.warnke@usda.gov](mailto:kelly.warnke@usda.gov).

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the hearing-impaired (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 review and

recommend projects for funding under the Secure Rural School allocations to Custer, Lawrence, and Pennington Counties for fiscal year 2020.

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 provide comments to this meeting's agenda and to the meeting minutes/records must submit comments in writing by Friday April 8th, 2021. 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.

Written comments must be sent to Kelly Warnke, Mystic Ranger District, 8221 Mount Rushmore Road, Rapid City, South Dakota 57702; by email to [kelly.warnke@usda.gov](mailto:kelly.warnke@usda.gov), or via facsimile to 605-343-7134.

**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 12, 2021.

**Cikena Reid,**

*USDA Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Missoula Resource Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, USDA.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Missoula Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) will hold a virtual meeting by phone and/or video conference. The committee is authorized under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act (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 as well as make recommendations on recreation fee proposals for sites on the Lolo National Forest within Missoula County,