

for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government and committed to creating the USDA Equity Commission as part of his rural agenda and commitment to closing the racial wealth gap and addressing longstanding inequities in agriculture. Section 22007c of the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022, Public Law 117–169, provides sufficient funds to ensure the Commission is well staffed and positioned to deliver on its charge.

The USDA Equity Commission will advise the Secretary of Agriculture and provide USDA with an analysis of how its programs, policies, systems, structures, and practices contribute to barriers to inclusion or access, systemic discrimination, or exacerbate or perpetuate racial, economic, health and social disparities and recommendations for action. The Agriculture Subcommittee reports to the Equity Commission and provides recommendations on issues of concern related to agriculture. The Rural Community Economic Development Subcommittee (RCED) also reports to the Equity Commission and is focused on issues related to rural community prosperity. The Equity Commission delivered an interim report and provided actionable recommendations in February 2023. A final report will be completed by winter of 2024.

**Meeting Agenda:** The agenda items may include, but are not limited to, welcome and introductions; administrative matters; introduction and presentation of the Agriculture Subcommittee and Rural Community Economic Development Subcommittee recommendations; and deliberations and voting of recommendations to be included in the final report. Please check the USDA Equity Commission website (<https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>) for an agenda 24–48 hours prior to October 24.

**Register for the Meeting:** The public is asked to pre-register for the meeting by visiting <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>. Your pre-registration must state: your name; organization or interest represented; if you are planning to give oral comments; and if you require special accommodations. USDA will also accept day-of registrations.

**Oral Comments:** The Commission is providing the public an opportunity to provide oral comments and will accommodate as many individuals and organizations as time permits. Persons or organizations wishing to make oral comments must pre-register by 11:59 p.m. ET, October 9, 2023, and may only register for one speaking slot. Participants who wish to make oral comments must also be available to

attend a tech-check before the meeting. Instructions for registering and participating in the meeting can be found on <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>.

**Written Comments:** Written public comments for consideration at the meeting will be accepted on or before 11:59 p.m. ET, October 9. Comments submitted after this date will be provided to the Commission, but the Commission may not have adequate time to consider those comments prior to the meeting. The USDA Equity Commission strongly prefers comments be submitted electronically. However, written comments may also be submitted (*i.e.*, postmarked) via mail to the person listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section by or before the deadline. Written comments will be accepted up to 15 days after the meeting for inclusion in the meeting minutes.

**Availability of Materials for the Meeting:** All written public comments received by October 9, 2023, will be compiled into a file and available for member review and be included in the meeting minutes. Duplicate comments from multiple individuals will appear as one comment, with a notation that multiple copies of the comment were received. Please visit <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commissiontoviewtheagendaand/orminutes> from this meeting.

**Meeting Accommodations:** USDA is committed to making its electronic and information technologies accessible to individuals with disabilities by meeting or exceeding the requirements of Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 794d), as amended. If you need reasonable accommodations, please make requests in advance for reasonable accommodations through the meeting registration link on <https://www.usda.gov/equity-commission>. Determinations for reasonable accommodations will be made on a case-by-case basis.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, USDA, its agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity (including gender expression), sexual orientation, disability, age, marital status, family or parental status, income derived from a public assistance program, political beliefs, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity, in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA

(not all bases apply to all programs). Remedies and complaint filing deadlines vary by program or incident.

Equal opportunity practices in accordance with USDA's policies will be followed in all appointments to the Committee. To ensure that the recommendations of the Committee have taken in account the needs of the diverse groups served by USDA, membership shall include to the extent possible, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and person with disabilities. USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer, and lender.

Dated: September 28, 2023.

**Cikena Reid,**

*USDA Committee Management Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

### Forest Service

#### Newspapers Used for Publication of Legal Notices in the Southwestern Region; Arizona, New Mexico, and Parts of Oklahoma and Texas

**AGENCY:** Forest Service, Agriculture (USDA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice lists the newspapers that will be used by all Ranger Districts, Grasslands, Forests, and the Regional Office of the Southwestern Region to publish legal notices. The intended effect of this action is to inform interested members of the public which newspapers the Forest Service will use to publish notices of proposed actions, notices of decision, and notices of opportunity to file an objection. This will provide the public with constructive notice of Forest Service proposals and decisions, provide information on the procedures to comment or object, and establish the date that the Forest Service will use to determine if comments or objections were timely.

**DATES:** Publication of legal notices in the listed newspapers will begin on the date of this publication and continue until further notice.

**ADDRESSES:** Roxanne Turley, Regional Administrative Review Coordinator, Forest Service, Southwestern Region, 333 Broadway SE, Albuquerque, NM 87102–3498.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Roxanne Turley, Regional Administrative Review Coordinator at (505) 526–0020 or by email at [roxanne.turley@usda.gov](mailto:roxanne.turley@usda.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The administrative procedures at 36 CFR 218 and 219 require the Forest Service to publish notices in a newspaper of general circulation. The content of the notices is specified in 36 CFR 218 and 219. In general, the notices will identify: the decision or project, by title or subject matter; the name and title of the official making the decision; how to obtain additional information; and where and how to file comments or objections. The date the notice is published will be used to establish the official date for the beginning of the comment or objection period. Where more than one newspaper is listed for any unit, the first newspaper listed is the primary newspaper of record, the publication date of which shall be used for calculating the time period to file comment or an objection.

### Southwestern Regional Office

#### Regional Forester

—Notices of Availability for Comment and Decisions and Objections affecting New Mexico Forests:—  
“*Albuquerque Journal*,”

Albuquerque, New Mexico, for National Forest System lands in the State of New Mexico, for any projects of Region-wide impact, or for any projects affecting more than one National Forest or National Grassland in New Mexico

—Regional Forester Notices of Availability for Comment and Decisions and Objections affecting Arizona Forests:—“*The Arizona Republic*,” Phoenix, Arizona, for National Forest System lands in the State of Arizona, for any projects of Region-wide impact, or for any projects affecting more than one National Forest in Arizona

—Regional Forester Notices of Availability for Comment and Decisions and Objections affecting National Grasslands in New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas are listed by Grassland and location as follows:

Kiowa National Grassland notices published in: “*Union County Leader*,” Clayton New Mexico.

Rita Blanca National Grassland in Cimarron County, Oklahoma notices published in: “*Boise City News*,” Boise City, Oklahoma.

Rita Blanca National Grassland in Dallam County, Texas notices published in: “*The Dalhart Texan*,” Dalhart, Texas.

Black Kettle National Grassland in Roger Mills County, Oklahoma notices published in: “*Cheyenne Star*,” Cheyenne, Oklahoma.

Black Kettle National Grassland in Hemphill County, Texas notices published in: “*The Canadian Record*,” Canadian, Texas.

McClellan Creek National Grassland in Gray County, Texas notices published in: “*The Pampa News*,” Pampa, Texas.

—Regional Forester Notices of Availability for Comment and Decisions and Objections affecting only one National Forest or National Grassland unit will appear in the newspaper of record elected by each National Forest or National Grassland as listed below.

### Arizona National Forests

#### Apache-Sitgreaves National Forests

Notices of Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor, Alpine Ranger District, Black Mesa Ranger District, Lakeside Ranger District, and Springerville Ranger District are published in: “*The White Mountain Independent*,” Apache County, Arizona.

Clifton Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Copper Era*,” Clifton, Arizona.

#### Coconino National Forest

Notices of Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor, Mogollon Rim Ranger District, and Flagstaff Ranger District are published in: “*Arizona Daily Sun*,” Flagstaff, Arizona.

Red Rock Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Red Rock News*,” Sedona, Arizona.

#### Coronado National Forest

Notices of Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by the Forest Supervisor and Santa Catalina Ranger District are published in: “*The Arizona Daily Star*,” Tucson, Arizona.

Douglas Ranger District Notices for projects occurring within the Chiricahua and Dragoon Mountain Ranges (the Chiricahua and Dragoon Ecosystem Management Areas) are published in: “*Herald/Review*,” Sierra Vista, Arizona;

Notices for projects occurring within the Peloncillo Mountain Range (the Peloncillo Ecosystem Management Area) are published in: “*Hidalgo County Herald*,” Lordsburg, New Mexico.

Nogales Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Nogales International*,” Nogales, Arizona.

Sierra Vista Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Herald/Review*,” Sierra Vista, Arizona.

Safford Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Eastern Arizona Courier*,” Safford, Arizona.

#### Kaibab National Forest

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor, North Kaibab Ranger District, Tusayan Ranger District, and Williams Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Arizona Daily Sun*,” Flagstaff, Arizona.

#### Prescott National Forest

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor, Bradshaw Ranger District, and Chino Valley Ranger District are published in: “*Daily Courier*,” Prescott, Arizona.

Verde Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Verde Independent*,” Cottonwood, Arizona.

#### Tonto National Forest

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions, and Objections by Forest Supervisor, Cave Creek Ranger District, and Mesa Ranger District are published in: “*Arizona Capitol Times*,” Phoenix, Arizona.

Globe Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Arizona Silver Belt*,” Globe, Arizona. Payson Ranger District, Pleasant Valley Ranger District and Tonto Basin Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Payson Roundup*,” Payson, Arizona.

### New Mexico National Forests

#### Carson National Forest

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor, Camino Real Ranger District, Tres Piedras Ranger District and Questa Ranger District are published in: “*The Taos News*,” Taos, New Mexico.

Canjilon Ranger District and El Rito Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Rio Grande Sun*,” Espanola, New Mexico.

Jicarilla Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Farmington Daily Times*,” Farmington, New Mexico.

#### Cibola National Forest and National Grasslands

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor affecting lands in New Mexico, except the National Grasslands are published in: “*Albuquerque Journal*,” Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Forest Supervisor Notices affecting National Grasslands in New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas are published by grassland and location as follows:

Kiowa National Grassland in Colfax, Harding, Mora and Union Counties, New Mexico published in: “*Union County Leader*,” Clayton, New Mexico.

Rita Blanca National Grassland in Cimarron County, Oklahoma published in: “*Boise City News*”, Boise City, Oklahoma.

Rita Blanca National Grassland in Dallam County, Texas published in: “*The Dalhart Texan*”, Dalhart, Texas.

Black Kettle National Grassland, in Roger Mills County, Oklahoma published in: “*Cheyenne Star*”, Cheyenne, Oklahoma.

Black Kettle National Grassland, in Hemphill County, Texas, published in: “*The Canadian Record*”, Canadian, Texas.

McClellan Creek National Grassland published in: “*The Pampa News*”, Pampa, Texas.

Mt. Taylor Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Cibola Citizen*”, Grants, New Mexico.

Magdalena Ranger District Notices are published in: “*El Defensor-Chieftain*”, Socorro, New Mexico.

Mountainair Ranger District Notices are published in: “*The Independent*”, Edgewood, New Mexico.

Sandia Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Albuquerque Journal*”, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Kiowa National Grassland Notices are published in: “*Union County Leader*”, Clayton, New Mexico.

#### *Gila National Forest*

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor, Quemado Ranger District, Reserve Ranger District, Glenwood Ranger District, Silver City Ranger District and Wilderness Ranger District are published in: “*Silver City Daily Press*”, Silver City, New Mexico.

Black Range Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Sierra County Sentinel*”, Truth or Consequences, New Mexico.

#### *Lincoln National Forest*

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor and the Sacramento Ranger District are published in: “*Alamogordo Daily News*”, Alamogordo, New Mexico.

Guadalupe Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Carlsbad Current Argus*”, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

Smokey Bear Ranger District Notices are published in: “*Ruidoso News*”, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

#### *Santa Fe National Forest*

Notices for Availability for Comments, Decisions and Objections by Forest Supervisor, Coyote Ranger District, Cuba Ranger District, Espanola

Ranger District, Jemez Ranger District, and Pecos-Las Vegas Ranger District are published in: “*Albuquerque Journal*”, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Dated: September 28, 2023.

#### **Troy Heithecker,**

*Associate Deputy Chief, National Forest System.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Notice of Public Meeting of the Tennessee Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Announcement of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) that a meeting of the Tennessee Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene by Zoom on Friday, October 27, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. (CT). The purpose of the meeting is to discuss their draft report on Voting Rights in the state.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place on Friday, October 27, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. (CST).

*Registration Link (Audio/Visual):*  
<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1613891567?pwd=amtCcU5PSE9Yam1NNTIyYU13VURCQT09>.

*Telephone (Audio Only):* Dial (833) 568–8864 USA Toll Free; Access Code: 161 389 1567.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Victoria Moreno at [vmoreno@usccr.gov](mailto:vmoreno@usccr.gov) or by phone at 434–515–0204.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This meeting is available to the public through the Zoom link above. If joining only via phone, callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 and providing the Service with the call-in number found through registering at the web link provided above for the meeting.

Members of the public are entitled to make comments during the open period at the end of the meeting. Members of the public may also submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Regional Programs Unit

within 30 days following the respective meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Victoria Moreno at [vmoreno@usccr.gov](mailto:vmoreno@usccr.gov). All written comments received will be available to the public.

Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at (202) 809–9618. Records and documents discussed during the meeting will be available for public viewing as they become available at the [www.facadatabase.gov](http://www.facadatabase.gov). Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission’s website, [www.usccr.gov](http://www.usccr.gov), or to contact the Regional Programs Unit at the above phone number or email address.

#### **Agenda**

*Friday, October 27, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. (CT)*

1. Welcome & Roll Call
2. Chair’s Comments
3. Discussion on Report
4. Next Steps
5. Public Comment
6. Adjourn

Dated: September 28, 2023.

#### **David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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## COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

### Notice of Public Meeting of the Minnesota Advisory Committee; Cancellation

**AGENCY:** Commission on Civil Rights.

**ACTION:** Notice; cancellation of briefing.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission on Civil Rights published a notice in the **Federal Register** concerning a briefing of the Minnesota Advisory Committee. The briefing, scheduled for Friday, November 10, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. CT, has been cancelled. The notice is in the **Federal Register** on Thursday, September 14, 2023, in FR Document Number 2023–19915 on page 63063.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Liliana Schiller, Support Services Specialist, at [lschiller@usccr.gov](mailto:lschiller@usccr.gov).

Dated: September 28, 2023.

#### **David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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